

## COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

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- National League of Cities Community and Economic Development Federal Advocacy Committee
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- Milwaukee Continuum of Care
- Ethics Advisory Committee – Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
- City-County Carjacking and Reckless Driving Task Force



**CHANTIA LEWIS**  
ALDERWOMAN, 9TH DISTRICT

# **Council committee recommends decorated military veteran for top city security and emergency management post**

## **Statement of Alderwoman Chantia Lewis October 24, 2019**

Today my colleagues and I on the Public Safety and Health Committee recommended for approval the appointment of Kyle Mirehouse to be the city's new Director of Emergency Management and Communications. The full Common Council will vote on the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Mirehouse at the November 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

We are very fortunate to have Mr. Mirehouse as the appointee for this critically important position overseeing all major homeland security and crisis management issues in the City of Milwaukee.

Mr. Mirehouse is a decorated military veteran who proudly served for five years active duty as a U.S. Marine Corps platoon commander during combat deployments in Iraq, Afghanistan and Asia. He is a recipient of the Purple Heart and he still serves today in a reserve role.

He served as Emergency Management Coordinator for Milwaukee County between 2015 and 2019, and most recently as the Director – Crisis Management Operations for Black Swan Solutions (part of Empathia, Inc., Waukesha).

Mr. Mirehouse is a security and training expert who also specializes in crisis management and response, and holds a master's degree from American Military University in homeland security and emergency management – public health.

Mr. Mirehouse has exemplified selfless service and sacrifice to us and to our nation as a decorated Marine and leader, and as a veteran I am very proud to have had the opportunity to interview him and to recommend approval of his appointment.

I look forward to his distinguished service to our great city!

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