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Mark Lindquist Appointed Prosecutor

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On Tuesday, Sept. 1, the Pierce County Council unanimously voted to appoint Mark Lindquist as Pierce County Prosecutor.

Lindquist, formerly the Chief Criminal Deputy, has been with the office for 14 years and has tried nearly every type of case, including domestic violence, rape, child abuse, murder, and the Tacoma Mall shooter.

Lindquist told the Council that his top priorities were putting away violent criminals, carrying on the fight to stop the department of corrections from using Pierce County as a dumping ground for felons from other counties, reducing the felony case backlog, and "getting the most bang for the taxpayer's buck."

"I will run an office that is professional, non-partisan, and serves the public well," Lindquist said.

He thanked the Council for prioritizing public safety and for "understanding that it doesn't do any good to put more cops on the street if you don't have deputy prosecutors on the other end to hold the bad guys accountable."

In the public meeting the council members praised Lindquist's leadership. "Pierce County is lucky to have him," said Council Member Barbara Gelman, (D). "You're a great communicator," Council Member Dick Muri (R) said to Lindquist. "I know you're going to be a great prosecutor."

Council Chair Roger Bush (R), said, "I join my colleagues in commending Mr. Lindquist to the citizens of Pierce County. We look forward to great leadership."