

THE CITY OF SUMMIT

N E W J E R S E Y

CITY HALL 512 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE SUMMIT, NJ 07901

News Release

For immediate release

Summit Mayor: Elizabeth Fagan, MD (908) 273-6400

Summit Police Chief: Ryan Peters (908) 273-0051

CFO/City Administrator: Tammie Baldwin (908) 277-9419

Media Contact: Jenny Hoff, pressoffice@cityofsummit.org

Summit Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony

SUMMIT, NJ, May 2, 2025 – Summit Mayor Elizabeth Fagan, MD, officiated the swearing-in ceremonies for seven members of the Summit Police Department on Thursday, May 1, at the Summit Community Center:

- Captain Ryan Peters was sworn in as the newly appointed Chief of Police;
- Detective Lieutenant Christopher Medina was sworn in as Captain (Support Services Division);
- Patrol Lieutenant Jonathon Garcia was sworn in as Captain (Operations Division);
- Detective Sergeant Thomas Rich was sworn in as Detective Lieutenant;
- Patrol Sergeant Jeffrey Deets was sworn in as Patrol Lieutenant;
- Ryan Kroeger was sworn in as Police Officer; and
- Elson Gloss was sworn in as Police Officer.

“This is an exciting time for the Summit Police Department,” says Mayor Fagan. “Due to the retirement of former Chief Steven Zagorski, numerous positions have opened up within the department, which have been filled by some outstanding current members and a few new hires. I continue to be impressed by the work our police department does on a daily basis, and I look forward to working with Chief Ryan Peters as he leads the department forward in his new role.”

Chief Peters addressed the crowd after Mayor Fagan performed the swearings-in. “I stand before you tonight deeply honored and humbled to accept the role of Chief of Police,” said Chief Peters. “This is not a responsibility I take lightly, and I am grateful for the trust placed in me to serve our great community.”

Peters continued: “To the residents of Summit, our administration pledges to lead with transparency and accountability. Your safety and well-being will always be our top priority, and we will work tirelessly to foster a department that is deeply connected to the community and willing to go above and beyond in the name of public service.”

Bios for each officer are available [here](#). More information on the Summit Police Department is available at cityofsummit.org/police.

###