



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **HUGH DANIELS APPOINTED TO INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGERS' (IAEM) CERTIFIED EMERGENCY MANAGER (CEM<sup>®</sup>) COMMISSION**

*Park City's emergency program manager is one of only 1582 Certified Emergency Managers in the world  
and one of 10 in Utah.*

Hugh Daniels, Emergency Program Manager for Park City Municipal Corporation, has been named to serve a three-year term on the International Association of Emergency Managers' Certified Emergency Manager Commission. Daniels was nominated by the IAEM USA-Standards and Practices Committee and approved by the IAEM's USA Board of Directors.

The mission of IAEM is to "serve its members by providing information, networking, and professional opportunities, and to advance the emergency management profession." The CEM program is a key component of achieving this mission.

This commission peer-reviews all candidates applying to be either a Certified Emergency Manager or Associate Emergency Manager (AEM), as well as all renewal applications. Daniels was named to the North American Review Commission, which is one of two commissions worldwide.

Currently there are only 1582 CEMs in the world, reflecting the rigor of the selection process. The application includes sitting for an exam, submitting an essay, completing 200 hours of training, and demonstrating three years of full-time emergency management experience, as well as experience managing two real disasters or full-scale exercises. Each applicant also needs to complete six of twelve activities outside their job for the industry, such as serving as an officer in the state trade association, winning awards, serving in a leadership role, completing a research project, or mentoring other emergency managers. These requirements ensure that only the most prepared and knowledgeable candidates are awarded the designation. Daniels will begin his term in January of 2016.

*"CEM certification sets a very high standard for professionalism and knowledge for those working in the field of emergency management," Daniels said. "I am honored to help ensure that my fellow CEMs are meeting these exacting standards, and thereby helping fulfill IAEM's mission."*

As Emergency Program Manager for the city, Daniels works under the general direction of the City Manager. In this core public safety function, he helps the city prepare, plan, mitigate, respond to, and recover from local emergencies and disasters. He also oversees the Building Security and Safety Programs for the city as a whole.

*“Hugh is an essential resource for keeping our city safe year-round, and his leadership helps us collectively strategize for emergencies—both natural and manmade,”* said Diane Foster, City Manager. *“In the event of an emergency, his meticulous planning and oversight will allow each city department to play to its strengths while collectively helping preserve the health and well-being of our residents and visitors.”*

More information about the Office of Emergency Management can be found [here](#), and a person-to-person interview with Daniels can be found [here](#).

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#### **About Park City Municipal Corporation**

Park City Municipal Corporation is the government seat for Park City, Utah. A former silver mining town, Park City is now home to two world-class ski resorts and was the mountain host for the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics. The town of 7,500 also hosts many special events, including the Sundance Film Festival and the final stage of the Tour of Utah.

[www.parkcity.org](http://www.parkcity.org)

#### **About the International Association of Emergency Managers**

The International Association of Emergency Managers is the preeminent international non-profit organization of emergency management professionals. IAEM is dedicated to promoting the “Principles of Emergency Management” and representing those professionals whose goals are saving lives and protecting property and the environment during emergencies and disasters. The organization has over 9,000 members across the globe.

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