

***Anthony C. Apfelbeck, CFPS, CFO, FM, CBO, FIFireE, MPA***

*Director, Building and Fire Safety Department, City of Altamonte Springs*

Anthony Apfelbeck has served with the City of Altamonte Springs since 2000 following a 10-year career as Fire Marshal with the City of Oviedo. He began his fire service career as a volunteer firefighter in 1985 before becoming a Fire Inspector with Volusia County. He is currently the Director of the Building and Fire Safety Department, which oversees new construction plans review, building inspections, fire inspections, fire/arson investigations, code enforcement activities and special projects.

Director Apfelbeck is currently a member of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1 Fire Code, NFPA 1037 Professional Qualification Technical Committees, and the Underwriters Laboratories Fire Council. He previously served as Chair of the Florida Fire Code Advisory Council, board member of the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association, Legislative Chair of the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association, board member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs Fire/Life Safety Section, member of the NFPA Southern Regional Fire Code Development Committee, member of the ICC Fire Code Action Committee, ICC Fire Safety Committee and the Florida Building Commission Fire TAC.

In addition, his peers have recognized Anthony for his achievements by induction as a Fellow in the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association and the Institution of Fire Engineers. He has received the Florida Fire Marshal of the Year award from both the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association and the Florida Fire Chiefs Association, the Excellence in Fire & Life Safety award from the IAFC/ICC, the Champion of the Industry award from the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association, the NFSA Leadership in Public Safety award, the AFSA Fire Sprinkler Advocate of the Year, the Alarm Association of Florida Fire Official of the Year and the Legislative Service award from the Central Florida Fire Chiefs Association. In 2021, he was inducted into the National Fire Heritage Center Hall of Legends, Legacies and Leaders.

Director Apfelbeck holds a Master of Arts Degree in Public Administration, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Fire Service Administration and an Associate of Science in Fire Science. He is an 11-time attendee of the National Fire Academy and has achieved the Certified Fire Protection Specialist, Chief Fire Officer, Fire Marshal and Certified Building Official designations. He is also a three-time graduate of the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education Programs and the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program.

His hobbies include studying the American Civil War and World War II, teaching, philanthropic efforts to advance science/reason in the public sphere along with providing clean water wells in third-world countries and, of course, drafting fire and building code changes.