



JIMMY GRAY (BIO)

Jimmy Gray was elected to the Hampton City Council in May 2016 and re-elected in 2018. He retired from the Hampton City government in 2014, serving as Assistant City Manager with direct oversight of Public Safety and Human Services departments. Prior to that he served as the City's Fire Chief for six years. He has 36 years of local government experience.

In his current position on the Hampton City Council, Jimmy serves as Vice-Mayor and represents the City on various local and regional boards and commissions including Hampton Roads Workforce Council, Hampton Roads Regional Jail, and the Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads. He was also appointed by Governor Ralph Northam as the local government representative on the Virginia Board for Workforce Development.

Jimmy earned an A.A.S. Degree from Tidewater Community College, a Bachelor of Science degree from Hampton University, and a Master of Public Administration degree from Troy University. He is a graduate of Cornell University's EEO Studies Program and has attended leadership development programs at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland, the Weldon Cooper Institute at the University of Virginia, LEAD Hampton Roads and the Civic Leadership Institute.

Jimmy values community service and gives his time freely to serve on the boards of various non-profits. His leadership roles include President and CEO of Hampton Roads Committee of 200+ Men, Inc, President of The 200+ Men Foundation and President of the Fort Monroe Foundation. Additionally, he serves on the Boards of Y.H. Thomas Community Center, Hampton Education Foundation, Bernadine Franciscan Sisters Foundation and Soundscapes.

He lives in Hampton with his wife Dana, and they have four adult children and three grandchildren.

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