



City of Livingston

Press Release

After a nationwide recruitment the City will be interviewing four candidates for the position of City Manager. Residents are invited to meet the candidates on Oct. 17th in the Mike and Eve Art Rehearsal Hall in The Shane Lalani Center for the Arts, at 415 East Lewis Street, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. No Commission business will be conducted by the commission at this event. The City Commission will conduct interviews with each candidate the following day. A bio for each candidate is listed below.

Finalist Candidates

Jonathan Cannon began his public service career with the City of Saluda, NC in 2014. Working his way from Zoning Administrator to City Manager in just over a year. He has been the City Manager in Baker City, Oregon since the start of 2021. Mr. Cannon holds a BS in Landscape Architecture and is an ICMA-CM (credentialed manager).

Kevin Denney has 29 years of law enforcement experience working his way through the ranks in the Special Operations, Community Services, and Criminal Investigation divisions at the Irving Police Department in Irving, TX. He was the Chief of Police in Red Oak, TX for four years. Since June of 2020 has been with the City of Jarrell, TX where he serves as Chief of Police and Interim City Manager. Mr. Denney obtained his MCJ in 2016, his MPA in 2019, and is working on his PhD in Criminal Justice, all from Terleton State University.

Grant Gager is a currently Senior Advisor with Public Advisory Group in Ketchum, ID, which provides remote and in-person advisory, advocacy and assistance services to the state as well as local government entities. He began his public service in 2006 and since then has worked for Transportation Authorities in New York and California, the Connecticut General Assembly Office of Fiscal Analysis, and most recently served as Director of Finance and Internal Services for the City of Ketchum. Mr. Gager holds a BA in Economics from the University of Rochester and an MBA in Finance from Pennsylvania State University.

Anton Graff has over 25 years of public service in the Chicago Metropolitan area including serving as Chief of Police and City Administrator. Most recently, he spent almost 7 years as the City Administrator for the City of Wilmington, IL and 4 years as the City Manager for the City of Menominee, MI. Mr. Graff is an ICMA Certified Credentialed Manager who holds a BA in Criminal/Social Justice and an MA in Organizational Leadership, both from Lewis University.