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## The hunt is on - an update

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Now that the city council is complete and up and running, talk is turning again to recruiting a new city manager. At the Jan. 14 meeting the council's discussion moved them slightly closer to such a hiring with the appointment of an ad hoc committee comprising Vice Mayor Mike Anderson and Council Member Teresa Gerring.

The council heard from city staff that four requests for proposals have been received from recruitment agencies.

The question now is how to move forward. All city council members want the process to be as open as possible but recognize that there is a need to explore how best to proceed, possibly engaging focus groups and reaching out to residents, businesses, and the chamber of commerce.

After some discussion the council appointed Anderson and Gerring to work with city staff, to come up with questions exploring how each of the four firms would suggest conducting an open process, to shortlist the firms and to bring the top one or two firms back before the entire council in an open meeting.

Stay tuned.

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