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NEWPORT SELECTS CITY MANAGER

The Newport City Council has selected Spencer Nebel as City Manager, conditional upon a successful background investigation, contract negotiations, and additional reference checks. Nebel accepted the conditional offer and is expected to take the helm of the city in mid-December.

Nebel is one of three finalists for the position who endured a grueling round of interviews this week. He is a local government professional with more than 30 years' experience, and has spent the last 21 years as City Manager of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Nebel has a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Northern Michigan University. He is an International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Credentialed Manager, and received the "Excellence in Service Award" from the Michigan Municipal League in 2003 and 2012.

Mayor Roumagoux "thanked the City Council and the citizens and staff who participated in the selection process." She added that "ultimately, the decision is made by the City Council, but the input of the citizens and staff was invaluable."

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