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NEWPORT NAMES CITY MANAGER

The Newport City Council has offered the position of city manager to James (Jim) Voetberg, conditional upon a successful background investigation, and contract negotiation. Voetberg is one of four finalists for the position who endured a grueling round of interviews earlier this week.

A local government professional with more than 20 years experience, Voetberg is expected to take the helm of the city by mid-June when the contract with Dale Shaddox, Pro-Tem City Manager, expires. Voetberg, who spent much of his career in Ketchikan, Alaska, is currently a resident of Washington. Bain noted that “the finalists represented the best and brightest, and the city is fortunate to have had four quality candidates from which to choose.”

Originally from Tillamook, Voetberg is an OSU graduate with a degree in civil engineering. Bain noted that “Voetberg’s past positions have prepared him well for becoming Newport’s next city manager.”

Mayor Bain “thanked the City Council and the citizens and staff who participated in the selection process.” He 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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