

Robert Hartwig selected as Shoreline's new Administrative Services Director

City Manager Julie Underwood has selected Robert Hartwig to be City's new Administrative Services Director. Hartwig's selection is the culmination of an extensive search after Debbie Tarry, the former director, was appointed by Underwood to be the new Assistant City Manager in May.

Hartwig is the current Finance and Human Resources Director for the City of Erie, Colorado. Before taking his position with Erie, Hartwig was the Finance Director and City Administrator for the City of Fremont, Nebraska. Hartwig is an accomplished financial executive with over 15 years of experience leading top-level operations in governmental and private businesses alike. Prior to his service in Fremont, Hartwig served as the Finance & Administrative Services Director for the City of Lafayette, Colorado, where he was successful in improving the City's bond rating. Hartwig has extensive experience in managing and obtaining funding for capital projects including water and sewer utility projects.

Hartwig has a bachelor's degree in accounting and finance from the University of Iowa, a master's degree in business administration from Regis University and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Hartwig started as Administrative Services Director on January 30.

SPU Acquisition Steering Committee

On November 9, 2011, the City announced that the City of Shoreline and Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) had negotiated tentative terms for the purchase of the SPU water system located within Shoreline. Prior to a final decision by the City Council regarding the acquisition, the City is entering the due diligence engineering and financial review process. As part of the due diligence review process, the City Manager has formed a citizens steering committee to provide a recommendation on whether the City should move forward with the acquisition of the system.

When forming the committee, the City Manager wanted to balance diverse backgrounds and perspectives, and wanted to include citizens that are engaged in our community and interested in Shoreline's long-term success. While having a technical or engineering background is not necessary, several citizens do in fact come with this experience.

The City would like to thank the following citizens for volunteering their time for this effort: Jim Abbott, Gretchen Atkinson, Joe Bozick, Mark Bunje, Bill Clements, Cynthia Esselmen, Kevin Grossman, David Harris, Marcia Harris, Bruce Hosford, Joseph Irons, Warren Johnson, Jeff King, Cynthia Knox, Lee Michaelis, William Montero, Edie Loyer Nelson, Les Nelson, Rick O'Leary, Sis Polin, Johanna Polit, Diane Pottinger, Bob Ransom, Kyle Roquet, Jesse Sycuro, Dan Thwing, and Mark Torrance.

All committee meetings are open to the public. To learn more about their schedule, agendas and meeting notes, visit shorelinewa.gov/SPUsteering.

Upcoming Events

Monday, Feb. 20

City Hall and Spartan Recreation Center closed for Presidents Day holiday.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Echo Lake Park design review meeting at City Hall Council Chambers.

Friday, Feb. 24

6:30 to 11:00 p.m.

Teen Program's annual Break Battle at Richmond Highlands Recreation Center.

Saturdays, Feb. 25 and March 10

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Habitat restoration project work parties at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park.

February 27 to March 3

Shoreline Pool closed for annual maintenance.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

7:00 p.m.

Diggin' Shoreline community gardening group meets at City Hall, room 301.

Wednesday, Feb. 29

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

How-to workshop on applying for a City Mini-Grant. More information on page 4.

Saturday, March 10

6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Barter Party hosted by Meridian Park Neighborhood Association at Meridian Park Elementary School cafeteria.

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Free Small Business Workshops
Tuesdays at Noon