



## City Council

### Council Discussion Regarding Executive Search for a City Manager

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#### Title

Council Discussion Regarding Executive Search for a City Manager

#### Recommended Action

##### Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

##### City Manager Recommendation:

None.

#### Report

##### Issue:

Whether to continue the executive search for a city manager.

##### Staff Contact:

Mark Barber, City Attorney, 360.753.8338

##### Presenter(s):

None.

#### Background and Analysis:

The Olympia City Council is vested with the authority under state law to designate a qualified administrative officer to perform the duties of manager as prescribed by law. Earlier this year, the Council commenced an executive search for a city manager. The question for Council discussion is whether to suspend the executive search considering the job performance of the Interim City Manager during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Unknown.

#### Options:

1. Move to suspend the executive search for a city manager and to direct the City Attorney to prepare an employment agreement with Steven J. ("Jay") Burney as City Manager for Council's consideration and subsequent action.

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2. Do not suspend the executive search for a city manager.
3. Direct staff to take other action.

**Financial Impact:**

None.

**Attachments:**

None.