

## Staff Report

For City Council Meeting of 3/6/2024

## Subject - New Business - Budget Committee Appointments

Synopsis: The City of Gearhart Budget Committee is seeking applications for (3) vacancies. The City originally advertised for two vacancies, however, it was discovered a current member no longer lives in Gearhart city limits and therefore is ineligible to continue serving. The Budget Committee is a 10-member committee made up of the five members of the Gearhart City Council and an equal number of citizens-at-large. Citizen members hold a (3) year term and must be at least 18 years of age, a registered voter, and reside within Gearhart city limits. The purpose of the Budget Committee is to review the budget or supplemental budget as prepared by the Budget Officer, make changes if necessary, approve the budget for City Council consideration, and set the maximum amount of taxes that may be levied by the City. The Budget Committee usually meets two evenings a year with the possibility of one or two additional meetings, if necessary. The first Budget Committee meeting for FY 24-2025 will be held Tuesday, April 16th; a second meeting will take place Tuesday, May 14th - both at 6 p.m. Budget Committee members are appointed by the Mayor, including the City Council (governing body). There were (2) applicants as of the 5 p.m. February 23rd deadline. The application period was reopened and extended through Friday, March 1st at noon ending with (3) total.

- Paulina Cockrum
- Jennifer Grey
- Robert Lee

## Council Options:

- 1) Individually resolve to appoint (3) members to the Budget Committee;
- 2) Take other action desired by the Council.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends the Mayor request a motion individually naming (3) applicants for appointment to the Gearhart Budget Committee.

Legal Analysis: See Gearhart Ordinance Chapter 33.14.

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

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