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City Council Names Interim City Manager

Wichita Falls, Texas- The Wichita Falls City Council has appointed James McKechnie as Interim City Manager after a special called meeting today.

McKechnie, beginning November 6, 2024, will serve in the City Manager role until a permanent replacement is hired. That process is expected to take between 6 to 8 months.

McKechnie is by the Mayor's previous statements, not eligible for the permanent City Manager position.

Council approved a resolution authorizing Mayor Tim Short to execute a Professional Services Agreement with McKechnie.

McKechnie is Deputy City Attorney with the City of Wichita Falls and has worked for the City the past 12 years.

Acting City Manager Paul Menzies will return to his previously assigned duties.

Mayor Tim Short says, "We appreciate Paul stepping up and filling this role and appreciate his help with the transition to come."

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