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City of Idaho City

Idaho City Announces Resignation of Mayor Ken Everhart

IDAHO CITY, Idaho — The City of Idaho City announces the resignation of Mayor Ken Everhart, effective March 11, 2026, following the adjournment of that evening’s City Council meeting.

Mayor Everhart stepped down after selling his home within city limits, resulting in a change to his primary residence that no longer meets the requirements for holding elected office in Idaho City. Under Idaho law (Idaho Code § 50-402), elected city officials must maintain their primary residence within city limits in order to hold office.

Mayor Everhart served the City for approximately 15 years, including time as both a Councilmember and Mayor.

“I would like to take a moment to thank all the City staff and Council members I have been privileged to work with over the last 15 years. I would also like to thank all the residents who placed their trust in me through their votes to help guide and direct the operations of Idaho City,” Everhart said in his resignation letter.

In accordance with Idaho Code § 50-608, the City Council will appoint a successor to serve as Mayor. The Council discussed the appointment process at its March 25, 2026 meeting and has initiated a process to seek an external candidate. Interested individuals may submit a letter of interest to the City Clerk’s Office. Under state law, the Council has up to 90 days to fill the vacancy.

The City Council will continue discussion of the appointment process and next steps at its upcoming meeting on April 8, 2026.

Councilmember Tom Secor is currently serving as Acting Mayor and will continue in that role until an appointment is made. Additional details regarding the appointment process will be made available through the City’s official channels.

“The City is grateful to Mayor Everhart for his years of service and leadership,” said Acting Mayor Tom Secor. “Our priority now is to ensure a thoughtful and transparent process as we move forward. We encourage interested and qualified community members to consider submitting a letter of interest to serve in this role.”

City of Idaho City is accepting letters of intent for a vacant **City Mayor** position. Applicants need to reside in the city limits. Written letters of intent may be dropped off at City Hall during business hours of Mon-Thur. 8am-4:30pm, mailed to City Hall at PO Box 130, Idaho City, ID 83631 or emailed to idahocityclerk@cityofic.org by 4:30pm, May 1, 2026.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk’s Office.