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## Search for the Next City Manager Underway

Harrisonburg, Va. – The city of Harrisonburg is moving forward in finding its next leader to serve as the city manager.

Kurt Hodgen, city manager, will retire on October 31 after serving in this capacity since 2007. He joined Harrisonburg in 2001 as assistant city manager, after serving as assistant county manager in Botetourt County and town manager in Narrows.

A request for proposal was recently completed to solicit organizations to provide an executive search for the purpose of recruiting, selecting, and placing a qualified individual into the position of city manager.

A total of 12 quotes were received from agencies and the contract has been awarded to the Novak Consulting Group.

The Novak Consulting Group has begun their process to search for the next city manager. Novak is speaking with City Council and developing recruitment materials for this position. In the near future, the job will be posted on the city’s website to begin accepting applications.

Interested candidates can visit [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov) to apply online.

It is anticipated that the next city manager will join the city’s team by the end of October.

*The City of Harrisonburg is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to almost 55,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov).*



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