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Hailey to Hire Two New Resilience Team Staff Positions

(Hailey, Idaho) – Hailey launched the beginning of its new fiscal year by forming its Resilience Team and announcing the recruitment of two additional staff members to work toward a higher level of sustainability within the community. These positions were budgeted by the Hailey City Council as it wrestled with where to add staff within the City’s personnel portfolio, which has been stretched thin by headlong development requiring due process and entitlements during an active pandemic period.

The Resilience Team is described as the utilization of two new positions, all city department heads and division managers, and an enthusiastic body of elected officials involved on several fronts in the battle against global warming and local mitigation of its effects. This Team will coordinate the execution of City of Hailey’s sustainability, climate protection, climate mitigation and resilience (collectively referred to as sustainability) efforts in collaboration with community stakeholders and regional partners. The Team will develop, recommend, support and gain funding to implement policies and programs to achieve sustainability goals identified by the City. As a start, the first meeting of the fiscal year includes consideration of two sustainability Resolutions in partnership with the Blaine County/Cities of Ketchum & Hailey Sustainability Advisory Committee, the first to join with Blaine County and other areas cities in the ICEI150 Race to Zero, and the second to partner in a Clean Energy Coalition designed to engage with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission in an effort to promote and support clean energy in Idaho.

The two new positions to be hired will represent subject-matter expertise with the ability to advance a range of goals including but not limited to: clean energy, energy efficiency, green building and community design, water conservation, mobility, green fleets, green city operations, sustainable materials management, climate resilience, federal, state and local grants. Successful recruits will assume other duties which enable the practical and direct implementation of the sustainability goals and policies within the day-to-day operations, communications and policy development efforts of Hailey City government. The brief descriptions below can be found in full at Hailey’s website https://www.haileycityhall.org/employment/index.asp.

City Planner/Resilience Planner is a green community position focused on general city planning coupled with green policy development and implementation within the broader community, educating and regulating a green community vision in tandem with general city planning efforts.
Grant Writer/Resilience Implementation is a green government position focused primarily on grant acquisition across all areas of government, with an emphasis on sustainability and climate protection grant procurement, grant reporting, grant administration and data management. This position will assume other duties related to a secondary skill set, be it finance, public relations, marketing, GIS or IT support.

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