

City Management Association of Oklahoma



CITY MANAGER ASSOCIATION OF OKLAHOMA

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION OF OKLAHOMA
CONCERNING THE PROPER HIRING PROCESSES FOR CITY MANAGERS IN
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

WHEREAS, a number of entities have proposed guidelines and procedures concerning the hiring process, including the role of the public during the interview and selection of City Managers and Town Administrators in the State of Oklahoma;

WHEREAS, the City Managers Association of Oklahoma represents the interest of City Managers, Town Administrators, and other management professionals for municipalities within the State;

WHEREAS, the role of the public in the selection and interview process is an important issue for the municipalities and professionals involved in the selection process;

WHEREAS, the approval of guidelines concerning the selection process will benefit the public, municipalities, applicants and professionals involved in the selection process;

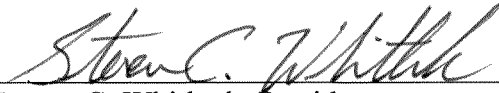
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Managers Association of the State of Oklahoma, as follows:

1. The requirement that applicants for vacant management positions be publicly disclosed is not required by law, and said disclosure will discourage good and qualified candidates from applying for vacant positions.
2. The interest of the public is protected in the selection process by the involvement of an elected body that represents the interest of the municipality and the public in the selection process.

3. The City Managers Association of Oklahoma recommends that all municipalities in Oklahoma respect the interest of applicants for management positions, create processes that encourage the greatest number of qualified candidates, and acknowledge the significance of confidentiality in the application and interview process for management positions.
4. All City Manager applicants are encouraged to submit this resolution with their application to inform municipalities of the importance of this issue for the profession in Oklahoma.

Approved by the membership of the City Managers Association of Oklahoma

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