
City of Belle Isle

City Manager Performance Evaluation

Evaluation period: January-December 2024

Beth Lowell

Governing Body Member's Name

Each governing body member should complete this evaluation form, sign it in the space below, and return it to the City of Belle Isle City Clerk. The deadline for submitting this performance evaluation is March 4, 2025.

Evaluations will be summarized for the Mayor and included on the agenda for discussion at the City Council meeting on March 18, 2025.

Governing Body Member's Signature

Date Submitted

Mayor's Signature

Date Reviewed

Prueve recd 3/5/2025

INSTRUCTIONS

This evaluation form contains eight evaluation criteria. Each category contains a statement to describe a behavior standard in that category. For each statement, use the following scale to indicate your rating of the city manager's performance.

- 5 = Excellent** (almost always exceeds the performance standard)
- 4 = Above average** (generally exceeds the performance standard)
- 3 = Average** (generally meets the performance standard)
- 2 = Below average** (usually does not meet the performance standard)
- 1 = Poor** (rarely meets the performance standard)

Any item left blank will be interpreted as a score of "3 = Average"

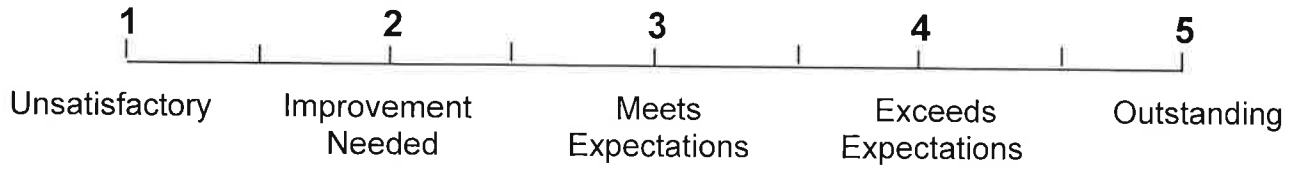
This evaluation form also contains a provision for entering narrative comments, including an opportunity to enter responses to specific questions and an opportunity to list any comments you believe are appropriate and pertinent to the rating period. Please write legibly.

Leave all pages of this evaluation form attached. Initial each page. Sign and date the cover page. On the cover page date, enter the date the evaluation form was submitted. All evaluations presented before the deadline identified on the cover page will be summarized into a performance evaluation to be presented by the governing body to the city manager as part of the agenda for the meeting indicated on the cover page.

Process

1. The City Clerk will provide Evaluation forms to the Mayor and all Council Members
2. Each Council Member completes the forms, signs them, and returns one copy to the Mayor and City Clerk.
3. The Clerk tabulates the results of the Evaluation forms.
4. The City Manager may prepare a memorandum to the Council, including self-evaluation, using the Self-Evaluation Form.
5. A composite of the Council evaluation forms and the City Manager's self-evaluation are distributed to the Council, Mayor, and City Manager prior to the evaluation meeting.
6. The Council meets with the City Manager in a scheduled meeting to jointly review the evaluation.
7. The Mayor will establish the operating ground rules for the session, including, but not limited to, such considerations as location, time, or time considerations for any particular subject matter.
8. The evaluation process shall occur annually, as close to the anniversary of the hiring date of the City Manager, except that the Council may request an evaluation at any time.

**CITY OF BELLE ISLE
EVALUATION OF CITY MANAGER**



Rate the following categories using the chart above.

1. Relating with Governing Body - Providing Information

- a. Keep the City Commission informed in an appropriate and timely manner about matters critical to the Commission’s policymaking role and relevant legislation and developments in the area of public policy affecting the City 3_____
- b. Anticipate and follow up promptly on Commission requests for information or action without having to be reminded. 2_____
- c. Carries our directives of the body as a whole as opposed to those of any one member or minority group. 3_____
- d. Consider all available alternatives before making recommendations to the Commission. And plans in anticipation of future needs and concerns 2_____
- e. Sets meeting agendas that reflect the guidance of the governing body and Avoids unnecessary involvement in administrative actions. 4_____
- f. Responds well to requests, advice, and constructive criticism 3_____

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal 17 + 6 = 23 score for this category

Comments on Relating to the Governing Body

The City of Belle Isle is governed by the Council it is the responsibility of the City Manager to ensure this remain intact. It is imperative that any communications or new development that could have the potential of ethics violations be addressed immediately and discussed with the City Attorney

2. Organizational Relations: Fiscal Management

- a. Develop and administer a process of budget preparation and review which meets the requirements of the City Charter, and expectations of the Council in its decision-making role. 3_____
- b. Control operational and capital costs through adequate budgetary controls, cost-saving measures, opportunities for budget reductions, and the judicious/economical utilization of manpower, material, and equipment. 2_____
- c. Provide the Commission with timely and sufficient reports on the financial status of the City government in accordance with the Charter and requirements of the Commission. 3_____

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal 8 + 3 = 11 score for this category

Comments on Fiscal Management

Mr. Rudometkin has the experience and knowledge to ensure the City of Belle Isle remains at all times fiscally responsible. We have a very experienced staff that can support and adhere to all requirements and regulations to maintain budgets and expenses in an appropriate and required manner. It is crucial that communication is open, respectful, and recognized.

3. Personnel Management

- a. Effectuate sound personnel selection and placement policies. 2_____
- b. Motivate all levels of personnel through leadership and training so that they are increasingly effective in the performance of their duties, in achieving common goals and objectives and in nurturing an attitude of courtesy, helpfulness, and sensitivity to the public. 2_____
- c. Promotes and supports the "public service role" for City employees and emphasizes exemplary performance. 2_____

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal 6 + 3 = 9 score for this category

Comments on Personnel Management

It appears there is still a long way to go to have a copacetic staff. I do believe progress has been made, but not to the extent that it needs to be. During the interview process, it was made very clear that the city staff were small but very qualified. Those relationships need to be cultivated in both directions. There is valuable insight and experience that can garner great results for this community.

4. Managing the Organization

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- a. Execute/Implement the policies adopted by the Commission in a timely and appropriate fashion. 3_____
- b. Supports the actions of the governing body after a decision has been Reached, both inside and outside the organization 3_____
- c. Understands, supports, and enforces local government laws, policies, and ordinances. 3_____
- d. Review ordinance and policy procedures periodically to suggest improvements to their effectiveness 2_____
- e. Offers workable alternatives to the governing body for changes in law or policy when an existing policy or ordinance is no longer practical. 2_____

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal _____ 13 _____ + 5 = _____ 18 _____ score for this category

Comments on Managing the Organization

I think the first year in the role of City Manager is the toughest. We have a very vocal community but one that cares about Belle Isle as a whole. Often, information that is spread by word of mouth or on social media is incorrect. It is vital that the City Manager is able to establish and maintain a good rapport with all residents and realize the few don't always speak for the many.

5. Relations with the Public

- a. Responsive to requests, disputes, or complaints involving citizens in an effective, equitable, and timely manner. _____ 3
- b. Meets with and listens to members of the community to discuss their concerns and strives to understand their interests _____ 3
- c. Gives an appropriate effort to maintain residents' satisfaction with City services. 3

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal _____ 9 _____ + 3 = _____ 12 _____ score for this category

Comments on Relations with the Public

I have witnessed interaction with the public during city events. I have seen most conversations be friendly and professional. He is very approachable and welcomes interaction with residents.

6. Relations with Other Governments

- a. Deal effectively with other governmental agencies in representing the City of Belle Isle. 2_____
- b. Develop and administer an effective program of grantsmanship. 3_____

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal _____5_____ + 2 = ____7_____ score for this category

Comments on Relations with Other Governments

I urgently feel we need to establish a more robust communication with Orange County. Not only with our District 3 commissioner, but with the Orange County Sherrif's office. With a new mayor coming on board this year it is crucial we establish a rapport and come together to discuss how Belle Isle is affected by Orange County decisions. I am confident we can re-establish open communication and work together for the common good.

List any goals, achievements, and objectives.

Commission Member Observations – Narrative Evaluation

- A.** Two things that the manager does now that this Commission member would most like him/her to continue, discontinue, or modify.
- Continue to review and audit all contracts and agreements in place and look for any ambiguous language that may need to be amended. Provide a list, via electronically or a spreadsheet of each including execution dates, end date and any extensions.

Arrange for regular updates, from our lobbyist, CCA Board member and Interim City Planner

- B.** What would you identify as the manager’s strength(s), expressed in terms of the principles results achieved during the rating period?

In Mr. Rudometkin’s first year as city manager, we had several Hurricanes. He did a good job of informing the council and calling a special session when needed to enact a state of emergency. In addition, he has been keeping up to date with new FEMA regulations to ensure we are prepared in our request for reimbursement.

- C.** What are your priorities, expectations, and objectives for the new rating period that you expect the City Manager to initiate or accomplish?

Annexation

With a new Mayor, it is important to improve how the residents of Belle Isle review their governing body and create an atmosphere of participation and involvement.

- D.** What constructive suggestions or assistance can you offer the City Manager to enhance performance?

I can do a better job of having more regular meetings to discuss items of importance and offer open dialogue.

7. Managerial and Administrative Performance

1	2	3	4	5	
		X			Accessible and maintains good rapport with elected officials, staff, and the public.
			X		Demonstrates a capacity for innovation and creativity
		X			Anticipates and analyzes problems to develop practical approaches for solving them
		X			Willing to try new ideas proposed by the governing body and/or staff
		X			Sets a professional example by handling affairs of the public office in a fair and impartial manner

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal 16 + 5 = 21 score for this category.

Comments on Managerial and Administrative Performance

8. Personal Qualities

1	2	3	4	5	
		X			Diligent and thorough in the discharge of duties, "self-starter."
		X			Exercises good judgment
		X			Open/forthright and make tough decisions.
		X			Displays enthusiasm and cooperation and will adapt.
	X				Exhibits composure, appearance, and attitude appropriate for an executive position

Add the values from above and enter the subtotal 14 + 5 = 19 score for this category.

Comments on Personal Qualities

- It is important for all communication between Mr. Rudometkin and staff be professional

_____ **Overall Rating**

(Consider all items above)

Additional Comments

I am concerned that the residents of Belle Isle have lost confidence. We lack attendance in our meetings, and it appears there is little to no desire to be active on committees we have established.

With a new Mayor starting this year, the City Manager needs to continue work on getting back a sense of community.

I think the council sincerely wants to see what is best for the Belle Isle community.

Evaluation Completed by: _____ **Beth Loraine Lowell** _____

Date: _____

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Salary Adjustment

Beth Loraine Lowell

Governing Body Member's Name

Based on your appraisal of the City Manager's performance over the previous twelve (12) months, do you recommend a salary increase? _____no

If yes, what information would you like to have to determine the appropriate increase?

It I my understanding we have already budgeted an increase for the City manger role.

If no, please comment,

City of Belle Isle City Manager Position Description

General Description: The City Manager serves as the chief administrative officer of the City and is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the City and is appointed by and serves under the City Council. The City Manager is responsible for the supervision and direction of all departments, agencies, or offices of the City.

Essential Job Functions:

- Appoints and when necessary for the good of the City, suspends or removes all City employees and appointive administrative officers provided for, by or under the City Charter, except as otherwise provided by law, the charter or personnel rules adopted pursuant to the charter.
- Authorizes any administrative officer subject to the manager's direction and supervision to exercise these powers with respect to subordinates in that officer's department or agency.
- Directs and supervises the administration of all departments, offices, and agencies of the City, except as otherwise provided by the charter or laws.
- Attends all City Council meetings and has the right to take part in discussion but does not vote.
- Assures that all laws, provisions of the charter and acts of the Council, subject to enforcement by the City Manager or by officers subject to the manager's direction and supervision, are faithfully executed.
- Prepares and submits the annual budget and capital program to the City Council.
- Submits to the Council and makes available to the public a complete report on the finances and administrative activities of the City at the end of each fiscal year.
- Makes other reports as the Council may require concerning the operations of the City departments, offices, and agencies that are subject to the City Manager's direction and supervision.
- Keeps the Council fully advised as to the financial condition and future needs of the City and make recommendations to Council concerning the affairs of the City.
- Signs contracts on behalf of the City pursuant to the provisions of appropriate ordinances.
- Provides staff support for the mayor and commissioners.
- Establishes personnel policies governing appointment, retention, and promotion of City employees, which policies shall include a grievance procedure.
- Serves as the purchasing agent for the City as established by the charter.
- Performs other job related functions as needed or directed by City Council.

(These essential job functions are not to be construed as a complete statement of all duties performed. Employees will be required to perform other job related duties as required. listed herein are intended to be consistent with the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Belle Isle and the laws of the State of Florida, and this document may not be construed to supersede, overrule, or convey any authority that is inconsistent with such Charter provisions, ordinances, or laws)

Minimum Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree or higher from an accredited College/University with a major in Business or Public Administration or related field, plus five years' experience in progressively responsible management position in local government or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- ICMA-Credentialed Manager (current/active).
- Must obtain a valid Florida Driver's License within 90 days of employment.
- Knowledge, Abilities, and Skills:
- Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of governmental administration, governmental budgeting and governmental regulations.
- Knowledge of local governmental operations.
- Knowledge of research techniques and source availability of required or requested information.
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

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- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with , government officials, private organizations, and the general public, and effectively utilize resources.
 - Ability to make effective decisions.
 - Ability to maintain records, files, and reports in accordance with established methods and procedures.
 - Ability to read, interpret, and analyze instructions and/or data effectively.
 - Ability to work independently with minimal supervision.
 - Ability to formulate, submit and administer budgets.
 - Ability to function in a sophisticated computer environment.

Environmental Conditions:

Works in an office environment

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City Manager Self-Evaluation

Directions: Your responses to these questions must be completed and attached to your performance and development self-evaluation. Additional pages may be added as necessary.

1. How have you accomplished your goals and/or work assignments in your first year of employment?

2. What other job-related accomplishments have you had that were not part of the goals set during your first year?

3. What obstacles or setbacks did you encounter during the year?

4. What do you see as your major goal(s) for this next evaluation period?
What can the City Council do to help you accomplish these goals?

5. What suggestions do you have for improving the effectiveness between you, the Council, and Mayor?

6. Do you have specific training needs that the Council can facilitate, and how will those needs help you meet your goals?

7. Are there any other issues or comments you wish to share?