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Brown announces initial plans for Cabinet positions

SPOKANE — Mayor-elect Lisa Brown announced Thursday plans to appoint two people to Cabinet positions Jan. 2. These intended appointments are the first of several to be announced in the coming weeks.

Brown, who will take office Jan. 1, said she will appoint:

- Mike Piccolo as city attorney.
- Garrett Jones as interim city administrator.

“I am grateful for the willingness of these public servants to serve in these roles as my administration takes shape,” Brown said. “Their experience and commitment to our city will be invaluable as we create a better way for Spokane.”

Brown also said she will elevate the position of director of the Office of Civil Rights, Equity, and Inclusion to a Cabinet-level position. She intends for current Director Jerrall Haynes to stay in this role.

“The work of the Office of Civil Rights, Equity, and Inclusion is integral to all the work being done at the city,” Brown said. “For that reason, it is important to immediately elevate the director to a Cabinet-level position.”

Mike Piccolo is the current assistant city attorney and a longtime public servant who brings more than 30 years of legal experience, including as part of David Condon’s and Nadine Woodward’s administrations as mayor.

Garrett Jones is the current interim city administrator. He has held several roles with the City of Spokane, including parks director since 2019.

Jerrall Haynes is the current director of the Office of Civil Rights, Equity, and Inclusion. He previously served as president of the Spokane Public Schools Board of Directors and is a U.S. Air Force veteran.

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