

# News Release

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## Beaufort County Hosting Two Public Forums for County Administrator Finalists

Beaufort County is hosting two public forums for the community to meet the finalists for the County Administrator position: Alan M. Ours and William P. Shanahan, Jr. Both forums will occur Wednesday, July 18 and follow a reception for elected and appointed officials:

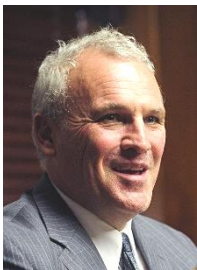
- 8:15-9:00 a.m. - Disabilities and Special Needs Building, 100 Clearwater Way, Beaufort [\[map\]](#)
- 5:45-6:30 p.m. - Buckwalter Recreational Facility, 905 Buckwalter Parkway, Bluffton [\[map\]](#)

The forums are being sponsored by the Beaufort Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce. After welcome remarks, a moderator will pose questions to the candidates, followed by an opportunity to meet them.

**Finalists' Information:**



**Alan M. Ours** started his career in local government with Lexington County, SC in 1982. Over the past 36 years, he has worked with various local governments including serving as County Manager in Lee County, GA, Lowndes County, GA, and Pickens County, SC, and; as Deputy County Administrator for Spartanburg County, SC. He is currently the County Manager for Glynn County, GA. Mr. Ours is a graduate of Leadership Lee and the South Carolina Executive Institute; former Vice-President on the International City-County Management Association Executive Board; and Past President of the Georgia City-County Management Association. He currently serves as Chairman on the United Way of Coastal Georgia Board of Directors. Mr. Ours holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Winthrop University. He is an ICMA Credentialed Manager.



**William P. "Bill" Shanahan, Jr.** started his career in local government in 1999 after serving twenty years in the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Shanahan has worked with various local governments including serving in managerial positions for the City of Savannah and as an Assistant County Administrator for both Liberty County, GA and Camden County, GA. He has served as County Manager for Habersham County, GA, City Manager for St. Mary's, GA, and Deputy Administrator for the City of Augusta, GA. He is the current County Manager for York County, SC. Mr. Shanahan holds a Master of Public Administration and a Bachelor of Science degree in Vocational Education Studies, in addition to degrees in personnel administration and criminal justice. He is an ICMA Credentialed Manager and a Certified Mediator. Mr. Shanahan is an active member of the South Carolina City-County Management Association. He also teaches on public administration at the university level.

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