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## O Christmas Tree



MATT STENSLAND/STAFF

Ace at the Curve employee Jarrod Peters stocks Christmas trees Thursday in front of the store. With Christmas a little more than a month away, the store received 310 trees.

## 118 try for city manager

## Flood of applicants vying to be Steamboat's top administrator

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#### STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

An application deadline to become Steamboat Springs' next city manager has passed, and 118 people have applied for the job of the city's top administrator.

Phil McKenney, of execu-

tive search firm Peckham & McKenney, said he is pleasantly surprised by the high level of interest in the position, which, in addition to the city attorney, is one of only two that report directly to the Steamboat Springs City Council.

"Given today's climate, I'm very pleased," said McKenney. "This is more than I expected."

McKenney is in the process of interviewing and screening the applicants. He later will present to City Council 10 to 12 candidates he thinks deserve consideration. With the help of a group of residents serving on a City Manager Search Committee, council will whittle the list down to six semifinalists. After interviews, the list

will be further reduced to three finalists whose identities will be made public. On Jan. 6 and 7, City Council will interview its finalists in a public setting.

Neither McKenney nor city officials had specific numbers, but City Council President Loui Antonucci estimated the

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## **WEATHER**



Partly sunny. High of 47.

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