Mayor ordered to hand over city job applications

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The mayor of Goose Creek asked the city council Thursday to hand over the applications for a recently vacated city administra-
tor position after a council-
woman filed a lawsuit against the politician alleging he was con-
ducting the search in private. Councilwoman Gayla Mc-
Swain filed a suit against Mayor Greg Habib, current City Ad-
ministrator John Brown, and the City of Goose Creek last week after she was told she could not have access to the more than 30 applications filed to fill Brown’s position.

Habib had interviewed none of the applicants himself and Mc-
Swain claimed that getting ap-
lications under review to produce a list was a violation of the Freedom of Information Act and open meet-
ing law.

Council Judge Roger Young ruled from the bench that council members must have access to the applications and agreed with the plaintiff’s counsel that council members can’t contract the applicants or their references. McSwain said she received the judge’s order Thursday. “I think that lawsuit is just re-
quired,” McSwain said. “This is an-
other Goose Creek went yester-
day it involves the mayor’s selection process and it made it pub-
lic.”

Last week, Habib said 30 or more candidates have been interviewed in the Opulent to find replacement for Brown who has served as city administrator since 2016 and is Please see MAYOR, Page A3.

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Team Charleston hosts Army, Air Force ROTC joint exercise

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Team Charleston’s 628th Security Forces Squadron teamed up with Citadel Air Force and Army ROTC cadets for a joint training exercise at the Naval Weapons Station, Joint Base Charleston, March 5.

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