

Building Department History

- ❖ The Building Department was established in February 1956.
- ❖ The first code was adopted 4 years later on March 31, 1960.
- ❖ Originally located at 1205 Mill St., the department moved to the Ninth Street complex on August 4, 1989.
- ❖ Between 1981-1995, Building & Safety was a *division* of the Public Works Department and then became a *division* of Community Development until March 1999. On March 16, 1999 Building & Safety became a separate *Department*, approved by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners as Ordinance #1057. This distinction was also introduced into the Washoe County Code, Chapter 80, and became effective March 31, 1999.
- ❖ The progression of the department from General Fund Building & Safety to Enterprise Fund Building & Safety began with the approval by the Board of Commissioners on January 23, 2001. The reimbursable general fund transfer of \$500,000 to the enterprise fund for the opening cash needed for operations was completed by the comptroller and became effective July 1, 2001.
- ❖ Washoe County Chief Building Inspectors/Building Officials include:

Ross E. Stoltz

Arthur S. Kountz

Lynn E. Krupp

Tony Taormina

Oris Corbridge

Jess S. Traver

Don C. Jeppson

December 1968 – January 1970

December 1970 – January 1975

1975 - 1980

January 1981 – May 1984

August 1984 – August 1994

August 15, 1994 – July 5, 2006

November 28, 2006 – Current