AGENDA

WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSION CHAMBERS - 1001 E. 9th Street, Reno, Nevada

March 11, 2008

2:00 p.m.

NOTE: Items on the agenda without a time designation may not necessarily be considered in the order in which they appear on the agenda. Items may be moved to or from the Consent Agenda at the beginning of the Board Meeting or may be voted on in a block.

The Washoe County Commission Chambers are accessible to the disabled. If you require special arrangements for the meeting, call the County Manager’s Office, 328-2000, 24-hours prior to the meeting.

Public Comment during the Commission Meeting on March 11, 2008 will be for all matters, both on and off the agenda, and be limited to two minutes per person. Additionally, public comment of two minutes per person will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that item at the Commission meeting.

The Chairman and Board of County Commissioners intend that their proceedings should demonstrate the highest levels of decorum, civic responsibility, efficiency and mutual respect between citizens and their government. The Board respects the right of citizens to present differing opinions and views, even criticism, but our democracy cannot function effectively in an environment of personal attacks, slander, threats of violence and willful disruption. To that end, the Nevada Open Meeting Law provides the authority for the Chair of a public body to maintain the decorum and to declare a recess if needed to remove any person who is disrupting the meeting, and notice is hereby provided of the intent of this body to preserve the decorum and remove anyone who disrupts the proceedings.

The County Commission can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During the public comment period, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by the Commission. However, responses from Commissioners to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. On the advice of legal counsel and to ensure the public has notice of all matters the Commission will consider, Commissioners may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for County staff action or to ask that a matter be listed on a future agenda. The Commission may do this either during the public comment item or during the following item: “*Commissioners’/Manager’s Announcements, Requests for Information, Topics for Future Agendas and Statements Relating to Items Not on the Agenda”.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Bob Larkin, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice-Chairman
Jim Galloway
David Humke
Kitty Jung

COUNTY MANAGER

Katy Singlaub

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Melanie Foster
Pursuant to NRS 241.020, the Agenda for the Commission Meeting has been posted at the following locations. Washoe County Administration Building (1001 E. 9th Street, Bldg. A), Washoe County Courthouse-Clerk’s Office (Court and Virginia Streets), Washoe County Central Library (301 South Center Street) and Sparks Justice Court (630 Greenbrae Drive). At the meeting after salute to the flag and roll call, the Board of County Commissioners may vote on the following items as the Board and, ex-officio, as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, as the Board of Directors for the Sierra Fire Protection District, and/or the Board of Trustees of either the Lawton/Verdi or South Truckee Meadows General Improvement Districts.

Support documentation for the items on the agenda, provided to the Washoe County Board of Commissioners is available to members of the public at the County Manager’s Office (1001 E. 9th Street, Bldg. A, 2nd Floor, Reno, Nevada) and on the County’s website at www.washoecounty.us.

Unless otherwise indicated by asterisk (*), all items on the agenda are action items upon which the Board of County Commissioners will take action.

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners may take a short break every 1 ½ hours.

2:00 p.m.  
*1. Salute to the flag.

*2. Roll call.

3. Resolution of Appreciation--Reno Rodeo Foundation and Reno Rodeo Association (Social Services).

*4. Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to two minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Commission agenda. The Commission will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to two minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Commission as a whole.

*5. Commissioners'/Manager’s Announcements, Requests for Information, Topics for Future Agendas and Statements Relating to Items Not on the Agenda. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item.)

6. Consent Items.

   A. Approve $2,000 sponsorship of one table (total of 8 seats) for the Rhythm and Rawhide Event which benefits the children served by Washoe County [$100,000 of the net proceeds from this event will be allocated to the Reno Rodeo Foundation to support the $2.3 million capital campaign to build a 10,000 square foot multipurpose activity center for the youth at Kids Kottages and McGee Center--Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)


   C. Approve issuing Request For Proposal for purchase of Digital Video Recording System equipment and installation for Sheriff’s Parr Boulevard Detention Facility--Technology Services/Telecommunications. (All Commission Districts.)
6. D. Accept resignation of non-attorney board member Russell Musselman from Law Library Board of Trustees and appoint Caryn Swobe to fill this vacant non-attorney position for a two-year term ending December 31, 2009 and reappoint Shawn Meador to fill an attorney position for a two-year term ending December 31, 2009--Law Library. (All Commission Districts.)

E. Authorize Public Works Department to bid Crystal Bay Utilities Undergrounding Project--Public Works. (Commission District 1.)


G. Management Services.

(1) Approve expenditure [no more than $3,200] from County Commission District 3 Special Funding Account for promotion and implementation of a 2008 Commissioner District 3 Town Hall Meeting to encourage citizen participation and enhance effectiveness. (Commission District 3.)

(2) Approve expenditure [$500] from County Commission District 5 Special Funding Account to Nevada Future Farmers of America Association to assist in funding a community service project to clean Rancho San Rafael Park on March 27, 2008; and if approved, execute Resolution necessary for same. (Commission District 5.)

(3) Approve Agreement for Services between the County of Washoe and Artown, concerning sponsorship of Artown [$18,750] for costs associated with production of the event, approve Washoe County co-sponsoring the Monday evening Artown performances at the Robert Z. Hawkins Amphitheater with the Robert Z. Hawkins Foundation in July 2008; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Agreement. (All Commission Districts.)

(4) Acknowledge and accept Fire Management Assistance Grant [$16,282.51 with County match of $5,427.51] from the Federal Emergency Management Agency through Nevada Division of Forestry for costs related to the Red Rock/Rancho Haven Wildland Fire on July 6, 2007; and if accepted, direct Finance to make appropriate budget adjustments. (Commission District 5.)

(5) Appoint Commissioner Kitty Jung to the Organizational Effectiveness Committee as a representative of the Washoe County Commission. (All Commission Districts.)

7. Update on homeless services and funding and possible direction to staff to work with City of Reno, City of Sparks and other affected entities to identify long-term funding strategy, service strategies and to identify roles and responsibilities regarding contracting, oversight and implementation of shelter operations--Community Support Administrator/Management Services. (All Commission Districts.)
8. Recommendation to appoint a Washoe County Commissioner to serve as an Alternate on the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V&T Railway--Manager.

9. Recommendation to: 1) confirm Washoe County’s appointment of Commissioner Weber to the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) Board of Trustees; and, 2) appoint one Alternate Trustee to the WRWC Board of Trustees to represent both the Washoe County Board of Commissioners and the Truckee Meadows Water Authority representatives--Water Resources. (All Commission Districts.)

10. Recommendation to accept grant from the Nevada Division of State Parks Recreation Trails Grant Program, for the Bowers Mansion/Davis Creek Park Trail and Interpretive Project [$100,000 with in-kind match of $26,700]; and if accepted, authorize Regional Parks and Open Space Director to sign all necessary documents associated with the grant and authorize Finance to make appropriate budget adjustments--Regional Parks and Open Space. (Commission District 2.)

11. Recommendation to award Request for Proposal # 2633-08 for Media Buying Services, for the Child Abuse Prevention Public Information and Education Program, to The Glenn Group (formerly The Rose/Glenn Group and DRGM) [estimated amount $120,000], on behalf of the Washoe County District Health Department; and if awarded, authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Administrator to execute the Agreement with The Glenn Group for the purposes of this award--Purchasing. (All Commission Districts.)

12. Recommendation to authorize Chairman to execute Forensic Support Services Agreements between the County of Washoe County, Washoe County Sheriff’s Office Forensic Science Division and 18 Law Enforcement Agencies for Forensic Laboratory Analysis Service Fees for the term July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 [income of $170,873]--Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)

13. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance amending the Washoe County Code by making changes to the structure and operation of the Washoe County Department of Social Services Citizens Advisory Board--Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)

14. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 100 of the Washoe County Code by adding thereto a provision by increasing fees for building, grading permits, modifying building valuation data, and providing other matters properly related thereto; and, upon public hearing for second reading and adoption the effective date of the Ordinance will be June 1, 2008--Building and Safety. (All Commission Districts.)

15. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance amending the Washoe County Development Code, Chapter 110, by amending Article 606 and adding provisions to Article 602 to establish an application process and agricultural basis for exemption from certain land use and division maps and surveys, and providing other matters related thereto (upon public hearing for second reading, there will be possible adoption of amendments to Development Code Amendment Case No. DCA08-001)--Community Development. (All Commission Districts.)
16. Discussion and possible action on legal challenges, including without limitation judicial review, declaratory relief, and writ of mandate, to the February 13, 2008 conformance decision by the Regional Planning Commission of the City of Reno Master Plan (CR 07-035: to amend the City of Reno Master Plan, including, among other elements of the Plan, the redesignation of 20,870.93 acres of General Rural (GR) and 6,802.18 acres of Open Space (OS) and other redesignations to include a total of 28,923.73 acres of Special Planning Area (SPA)). Requested by Commissioner Galloway. (All Commission Districts.)

17. Discussion and direction to staff regarding citizen requests to place advisory questions on the 2008 general election ballot pertaining to 1) amendment of chapter 278 of the Nevada Revised Statutes to require that the adopted Truckee Meadows Regional Plan be based upon sustainable water resources within the county unless the residents of the county vote to approve a plan that is based on the acquisition of water from outside the county (requested by Commissioners Galloway, Humke and Jung), and 2) amendment of chapter 268 of the Nevada Revised Statutes to prohibit non-contiguous annexation by cities located in counties whose population is less than 400,000 and to require that not less than 15% of the aggregate external boundaries of the territory to be annexed be contiguous to the boundaries of the annexing city (requested by Commissioner Galloway). (All Commission Districts.)

5:30 p.m. Public Hearing. (Note: Item listed under this heading only will be heard at or after the noted time. In no case will it be heard before the stated time. Due to public testimony and discussion, time expended on the item in this category can vary.)

18. Comprehensive Plan Amendment CP07-005, Shelter House, LLC--Community Development. (Commission District 5.)

Consider a request to amend the North Valleys Area Plan, being a part of the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan. The amendment request would re-designate Assessor's Parcel Numbers 080-730-32 (+62.89-acres) and a portion of 080-730-33 (+59.50-acres) from the land use category of General Rural (GR) to Medium Density Suburban/Four (MDS/4), Medium Density Rural (MDR) and Open Space (OS). The properties are located approximately one-half mile east of the intersection of Lemmon Drive and Deodar Way. The subject parcels are within the Truckee Meadows Service Area (TMSA), and the Area of Interest of the City of Reno, as identified by the adopted 2007 Truckee Meadows Regional Plan, and therefore subject to the Cooperative Planning standards. The subject parcels are located within Section 35, T21N, R19E, MDM, Washoe County, Nevada. The property is within Washoe County Commission District 5 and within the Suburban Character Management Area of the North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board boundary. To reflect changes requested within this application and to maintain currency of general area plan data, administrative changes to the area plan are proposed. These administrative changes include a revised map series with an updated parcel base and revised table of land uses.

AND IF APPROVED

Authorize Chairman to sign the Resolution for the updated Area Plan after a determination of conformance with the Regional Plan by the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency.

END OF SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING
*19. Reports/updates from County Commission members concerning various boards/commissions they may be a member of or liaison to (these may include, but not be limited to, Regional Transportation Commission, Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority, Debt Management Commission, District Board of Health, Truckee Meadows Water Authority, Organizational Effectiveness Committee, Investment Management Committee, Citizen Advisory Boards).

20. Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with Employee Organizations per NRS 288.220.


22. Adjournment.