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AGENDA

WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

March 25, 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 25, 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”.

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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.washoeclounty.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 1/2 hours.

2:00 p.m.  
1. Salute to the flag.
2. Roll call.
3. Proclamation--April 2008 as Fair Housing Month.
4. Resolution of Recognition and Appreciation to the Washoe County Regional Water Planning Commission--Water Resources.
5. 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.
6. 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.)
7. Consent Items.
   A. Accept grants ($60,000 - no County match) and donations ($228,963.47) from various businesses and individuals to be used by the Sheriff’s Crime Laboratory for processing and quality assurance review of the current backlog of DNA samples; pipettes and tips from the Hamilton Company (valued at $2,200) to be used by the Crime Laboratory; and if accepted, direct Finance to make necessary budget adjustments--Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
   B. Approve settlement of bodily injury claim of Victor Thorne [total $50,000]--Risk Management.
7. C. Adopt Washoe County Evacuation Plan and authorize County Emergency Manager to update the plan as necessary; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Resolution necessary for same--Management Services. (All Commission Districts.)

D. District Attorney.

(1) Approve payments [$19,484.72] to vendors for assistance of 44 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims and of follow-up treatment costs of up to $1,000 for victims, victim’s spouses and other eligible persons.

(2) Accept donation from the Law Office of Tammy M. Riggs [$1,000] to cover additional facility construction costs on the C.A.R.E.S./S.A.R.T. Facility; and if accepted, direct Finance to make necessary budget adjustments.


F. Public Works.

(1) Accept monetary donations to Washoe County Regional Animal Services [$2,622] to be used for the care and treatment of animals; that the County Commission express their appreciation for these thoughtful contributions; and if accepted, direct Finance to make appropriate budget adjustments--Animal Services. (All Commission Districts.)

(2) Authorize Public Works Department to bid the District Court-Family Court Additional Courtrooms Project at 1 South Sierra Street. (All Commissioner Districts.)

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

(4) Approve and execute First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Washoe County and North Valley Babe Ruth League to implement charges for utilization of Parks property and in compliance with NRS 426.630 - 426.720; and further, extending the term of occupancy as allowed within the existing Lease Agreement [estimated revenue $100 will be deposited into Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space Cost Center 140100-460733]. (Commission District 5.)

(5) Approve and execute First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Washoe County and Silver State Cal Ripken to implement charges for utilization of Parks property and in compliance with NRS 426.630 - 426.720; and further, extending the term of occupancy as allowed within the existing Lease Agreement [estimated revenue $1,000 will be deposited into Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space Cost Center 140100-460733]. (Commission District 5.)
7. F. (6) Approve and execute First Amendment to Lease Agreement between Washoe County and Sun Valley Cal Ripken to implement charges for utilization of Parks property in compliance with NRS 426.630 - 426.720; and further, extending the term of occupancy as allowed within the existing Lease Agreement [estimated revenue $850 will be deposited into Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space Cost Center 140100-460733]. (Commission District 5.)

8. Recommendation to consider applications from interested persons willing to serve on the Washoe County Animal Control Board as the member representative from County Commission District 5 (Commissioner Weber); and upon further discussion, appoint a member representative to serve a four-year term through December 31, 2011—Public Works/Animal Services. (Commission District 5.)

9. Recommendation to approve Agreement for Professional Consulting Services between Washoe County and Marcus G. Faust, P.C. for Congressional and Federal Lobbying Services for a 12-month contract period (retroactive February 1, 2008 - January 31, 2009) [$51,527.40 plus related travel expenses]; authorize use of the 1/8 cent sales tax dedicated to the Truckee River Flood Project to fund such agreement; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Agreement—Truckee River Flood Management Project. (All Commission Districts.)

10. Recommendation to approve an Agreement for Professional Consulting Services between Washoe County and The Carmen Group, Inc. for Federal Lobbying Services for a 12-month contract period retroactive March 8, 2008 - March 7, 2009) [not to exceed $180,000 plus related expenses]; authorize use of the 1/8 cent sales tax dedicated to the Truckee River Flood Project to fund such agreement; and if approved, authorize the Chairman to execute Agreement—Truckee River Flood Management Project. (All Commission Districts.)

11. Recommendation to approve Settlement Agreement between the County of Washoe, City of Reno and Clark & Sullivan Constructors, Inc., for claims of the constructor for Mills B. Lane Justice Center Project [$1,560,000 - Washoe County share 60%]—District Attorney. (All Commission Districts.)

4:15 p.m. 12. Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.

See separate agenda.

4:30 p.m. 13. Sierra Fire Protection District.

See separate agenda.

5:00 p.m. 14. South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District.

See separate agenda.
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Public Hearings. (Note: Items listed under this heading only will be heard at or after the noted time. In no case will they be heard before the stated time. Due to public testimony and discussion, time expended on the items in this category can vary.)

15. Public Hearing to allow for any objections regarding declaration of Assessor Parcel Number 032-131-03 as surplus and to be transferred to the City of Sparks for a public purpose and other matters properly related thereto; disposition of objections; and possibly authorize Chairman to execute the Quitclaim Deed to facilitate this transfer of property as allowed under NRS 277.053--Public Works. (Commission District 4.)

16. Second reading and adoption 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. (Bill No. 1544)

17. Second reading and adoption of 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. (Bill No. 1545)

18. Second reading and adoption 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 properly related thereto. (Bill No. 1546)

END OF SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS

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.
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Revised 7F(3) Authorize Public Works Department to bid Crystal Bay Utilities Undergrounding Project; and if authorized, approve the acceptance of outside contributions toward the cost of the project and authorize the Chairman to execute Agreement(s) memorializing same--Public Works. (Commission District 1.)