

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: 5/27/2008

Agenda Date Requested: 6/5/2008

Time Requested: 5 minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Lawrence A Werner P.E., P.L.S., City Manager

Subject Title: Action to adopt Resolution No. _____, a resolution establishing an advisory ballot question for potential increase in lodging tax in order to provide additional funding for education, establishing the explanation for the ballot question, directing the Carson City Clerk to bring to the Board of Supervisors a recommendation regarding who should be appointed to the committees to prepare arguments for and against the ballot question, requiring the City Clerk to set the length of an argument and rebuttal and the date by which it must be submitted to the Clerk, and other matters properly related thereto.

Staff Summary: Staff has been asked by the Nevada Association of Counties to request that the Board of Supervisors place an advisory question on the next general election to use an increase in the lodging tax to help fund education. The lodging tax would be increased by a maximum of 3%, with a overall cap of 13%. The Nevada Revised Statute 293.482 allows Carson City to ask the advice of registered voters on any question which it has under consideration. This resolution begins the process to allow Carson City to place an advisory question on the ballot at the general election. The Legislative Council Bureau is preparing the ballot question and the arguments.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

☒ Resolution ☐ Ordinance
☐ Formal Action/Motion ☐ Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Recommended Board Action: I move to adopt Resolution No. _____, a resolution establishing an advisory ballot question for potential increase in lodging tax in order to provide additional funding for education, establishing the explanation for the ballot question, directing the Carson City Clerk to bring to the Board of Supervisors a recommendation regarding who should be appointed to the committees to prepare arguments for and against the ballot question, requiring the City Clerk to set the length of an argument and rebuttal and the date by which it must be submitted to the Clerk, and other matters properly related thereto.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Request by NACO to place an advisory question on the general election.

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: NRS 293.482

Fiscal Impact: 3% Additional Lodging tax in Carson City which would bring the tax to the suggested maximum of 10%.

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Explanation of Impact:

Funding Source: If approved, the funding would be from additional lodging taxes.

Alternatives: Do not present the question to the voters.

Supporting Material: Resolution

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Reviewed By:

Melanie Paulson
(District Attorney)

Date: 5-29-08

Nancy Paulson
(Finance Director)

Date: 5/29/08

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____

1) _____
2) _____

Aye/Nay

(Vote Recorded By)