Carson City Agenda Report

Agenda Date Requested: January 19, 2012 Date Submitted: January 10, 2012 Time Requested: Consent To: Mayor and Supervisors From: Larry Werner, City Manager Subject Title: For possible action: To re-appoint Margie Evans to the Open Space Advisory Committee to a four-year term that will expire January 2016. (Larry Werner) Staff Summary: CCMC Chapter 13.06.040 provides for the Board of Supervisors to appoint seven members to the Open Space Advisory Committee that serve staggered four year terms. There is one opening due to the expiration of a member's term. Type of Action Requested: (check one)) Ordinance) Resolution X) Formal Action/Motion) Other (Specify) () Yes (X) No **Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:** Recommended Board Action: I move to re-appoint Margie Evans to the Open Space Advisory Committee to a four-year term ending January 2016. Explanation for Recommended Board Action: At the December 1, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board appointed Margie Evans to a term set to expire January 2012. The Draft Minutes from this meeting reflect the discussion held by the Board regarding reappointing Ms. Evans to the next full term. Ms. Evans has been informed that a reappointment request would be taken to the Board in January 2012 to reappoint her to the next full term, set to expire January 2016. Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: CCMC Chapter 13.06.040 Fiscal Impact: None Explanation of Impact: n/a Funding Source: n/a

Alternatives: Re-open the position for additional applicants

Supporting Material: Page 16 from the Carson City Board of Supervisors Draft Minutes dated December 1, 2011, Current Roster, CCMC Chapter 13.06.040

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Reviewed By	(City Manager) (District Attorney) (Finance Director)		Date: //o/ Date: //o/ Date: //o/	<u>/17</u> -
Board Action	Taken:			
Motion:		1) 2)		Aye/Nay
(Vote Reco	orded By)			

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once we really start building trails, maybe we should look at a permitting process for use of the trails for funds, especially if we can build the trails that'll attract the tourists. They may be more than willing to buy the permits to use the trails."

Supervisor Abowd noted the passion which is frequently involved in open space issues, and discussed the possibility of Clear Creek becoming a gated community, thereby restricting access to open space in the area. In response to a question, Ms. Inversin advised of having been dealing with "Clear Creek through Muscle Powered for a few years now." She noted that "Clear Creek has been used publicly for well over 100 years ... So, to say, 'We're going to close it off and gate it off,' today is not really feasible." Ms. Inversin expressed understanding for the property owners' concerns, noting maintenance as a main concern. She acknowledged limited funding, but suggested "some sort of ... help with the maintenance and ... we do provide fire service for them." She acknowledged the difficulty of the situation. "It requires a lot of hand holding and listening."

Ms. Inversin acknowledged a familiarity with the Quality of Life Initiative and its associated allocations. In consideration of the Open Space Program maintenance funding, Supervisor Walt inquired as to Ms. Inversin's opinion of funding trails. Ms. Inversin discussed her dream of seeing the Dayton-Sutro-Carson Valley narrow gauge railway "become a rail trail." She expressed the opinion that such a trail would be an asset that could bring tourism dollars to the community. She noted that "most trail building ... is volunteer," and discussed examples of the same.

Mayor Crowell thanked Ms. Inversin for her application and for her community service. He commended the trail systems in the community and thanked Muscle Powered for their involvement.

In response to a question, Mr. Werner advised of having discussed the unexpired term with the District Attorney's staff. He suggested making the one-month appointment and then agendizing the reappointment as part of a Board of Supervisors consent agenda. The Board members each indicated their support for two of the applicants and, following discussion, Mayor Crowell entertained a motion. Supervisor Walt moved to appoint Margie Evans to the Open Space Advisory Committee to fill a term ending January 2012, and Donna Inversin to the Open Space Advisory Committee to fill a term ending January 2013. Supervisor Aldean seconded the motion. Discussion took place regarding the respective time commitments. Mayor Crowell called for a vote on the pending motion. Motion carried 5-0. Mayor Crowell thanked the applicants for their community service.

25. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NON-ACTION ITEMS:

STATUS REVIEW OF PROJECTS (11:52:49) - Mr. Werner recalled that Public Works Department Director Andrew Burnham had requested to defer the next report to January due to projects slowing down during the winter months.

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (11:55:53) - Mr. Werner advised that Grants Coordinator Heidi Eskew-Herrmann had accepted a position with the University of Nevada, Reno, and discussed possibilities for reconfiguring and filling the position. He responded to corresponding questions of clarification.

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>APPOINTMENT</u>	TERM EXPIRES
Dan Jacquet (Chair) 3556 Dartmouth Dr. 3480 GS Richards Blvd. Carson City, NV 89703 883-7170 (h)	Initial Appt. 01/97 Reappt. 01/01; 01/05; 01/09	01/2013
Teri Green-Preston 2499 Simons Ct. Carson City, NV 89703 684-1824 (w) 882-1613 (h) teripreston@aol.com	Initial Appt. 01/09	01/2013
Howard Riedl 901 Thomspon St. Carson City, NV 89703 335-1872 (w) 771-6182 (c) riedls@sbcglobal.net	Initial Appt. 02/03 Reappt. 01/04; 01/08	01/2012
Bruce Scott (Vice Chair) 304 N. Minnesota St. Carson City, NV 89703 883-1600 (w) 883-8677 (h)	Initial Appt. 09/98 Reappt. 01/99; 02/03; 01/07; 01/11	01/2015
Patricia Lincoln 5600 Goni Rd. Carson City, NV 89706 884-0453 (h)	Initial Appt. 10/05 Reappt. 01/07; 01/11	01/2015
Donna Inversin 1605 N. Nevada St. Carson City, NV 89703 315-6763 (c) d_inversin@yahoo.com	Initial Appt. 12/11	01/2013
Margie Evans 2640 Woodcrest Ln. Carson City, NV 89701 887-2252 (w) 883-8918 (h) 720-0162 (c) meg4bio@sbcglobal.net	Initial Appt. 12/11	01/2012

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<u>AUTHORITY:</u> CCMC 13.06.026 created an Open Space Advisory Committee consisting of seven (7) members appointed by the BOS. All members must be residents/registered voters of Carson City. CCMC 13.06.040 states that "members of the committee shall serve for varying term lengths not to exceed four (4) years, provided that the first seven (7) members appointed to the committee shall be appointed two (2) for a 2-year term, two (2) for a 3-year term and three (3) for a 4-year term so that thereafter members shall serve for staggered terms of like duration. (Vacancies shall be filled by BOS' from appointed alternates)..." (reappointment OK)

MEETINGS: Third Monday of every other month

PURPOSE: The purpose is outlined in CCMC 13.06.010: "In the broadest sense, the objective of the open space program is to promote quality of life for citizens of Carson City through the preservation of the quality of the natural environment which has given Carson City much of its character." See section for details

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13.06.010 - Purpose.

In the broadest sense, the objective of the open space program is to promote quality of life for citizens of Carson City through the preservation and protection of the quality of the natural environment which has given Carson City much of its character. This natural environment includes many spectacular views of the mountains, Carson River, and Eagle Valley. The natural streams, wetlands and open lands, with their water and related plant and animal life complement the scenic vistas and remind us of the area's early history. These natural areas, water bodies, vistas and panoramas, natural landmarks, and native flora and fauna are intended to be preserved and protected for the enjoyment of this and future generations by the judicious use of funding for open space.

As Carson City continues to grow, open spaces should be provided and woven into the fabric of the city. These open spaces may define developed areas within the community, and in certain areas may define the boundary of the city. They are intended to obtain a balance and harmony between physical development and open space for the benefit of Carson City citizens. Preservation of open space in all parts of the city will foster appreciation of the natural environment, provide increased opportunities for passive recreation, preserve agricultural uses, allow connecting open space corridors, and improve the quality of life.

Carson City encourages residents of this community and other concerned persons or parties to donate certain lands or funds for use in the open space program. The board of supervisors may by resolution accept properties not acquired with open space funds into the open space program after a recommendation from the open space advisory committee.

The open space advisory committee shall provide the oversight over the administration and expenditure of funds from the open space division of the quality of life special revenue fund established by Carson City Municipal Code 21.07. The funding for open space including interest and other income, may be used for the acquisition, restoration of natural resources, development and construction which afford for public access, health and safety, equipping, improvement, maintenance, conservation planning and management of real property for open spaces acquired through the fund; and administrative costs approved by the committee.

(Ord. 1997-30 § 1 (part), 2, 1997).

13.06.020 - Creation of an open space advisory committee.

There is hereby created an open space advisory committee, hereinafter referred to as the committee, consisting of seven (7) members appointed by the board of supervisors.

(Ord. 1997-30 § 1 (part), 3, 1997).

13.06.030 - Committee membership.

The members of the committee shall be residents of Carson City, and qualified electors. The members shall be 1. selected on the basis of expertise in the areas of natural resources, real estate, community planning, community development, outdoor recreation/education or knowledge of the community. (Ord. 1997-30 § 1 (part), 4, 1997).

13.06.040 - Term of office and vacancies.

Members of the committee shall serve for varying term lengths not to exceed four (4) years, provided that the first seven (7) members appointed to the committee shall be appointed two (2) for a two (2) year term, two (2) for a three (3) year term and three (3) for a four (4) year term so that thereafter members shall serve for staggered terms of like duration. (Vacancies shall be filled by board of supervisors from appointed alternates. If an alternate is not available, the vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the term in the same manner that original appointments are made).

(Ord. 2001-1 § 1, 2001: Ord. 1997-30 § 1 (part), 5, 1997).