

City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: May 24, 2013

Agenda Date Requested: June 6, 2013

To: Mayor and Supervisors

Time Requested: Consent

From: Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: For possible action: To authorize the City Manager and the Parks and Recreation Director to establish a new temporary committee to explore the feasibility of hosting a state fair type of event at the Carson City Fairgrounds. (Roger Moellendorf)

Staff Summary: There has been interest in the Carson City area regarding the feasibility of establishing a state fair type of event at the Carson City Fairgrounds that would replace the defunct state fair that was formerly held in Reno. Approving the above action will authorize the City Manager and the Parks and Recreation Director to establish a committee that would study the feasibility of hosting this type event. The findings will be reported to the City Manager who will pass on the findings to the Board of Supervisors.

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 authorize the City Manager and the Parks and Recreation Director to establish a new temporary committee to explore the feasibility of hosting a state fair type of event at the Carson City Fairgrounds.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: A group of citizens who are advocating the establishment of a state fair type of event that could be held at the Carson City Fairgrounds met with the Parks and Recreation Commission during the Commission's May 7, 2013 Commission meeting to seek the Commission's support. The Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously approved a motion to ask the Board of Supervisors to establish a committee to explore the feasibility of creating a fair event of this type in Carson City. Staff believes this should be a temporary committee and therefore should report directly to the City Manager and the Parks and Recreation Director. The procedure for developing such a committee is clearly defined in the new "Boards, Committees and Commissions" policies and procedures approved by the Board of Supervisors on September 5, 2012. The supporters of this idea believe that a fair is important in providing a venue and activity that would encourage the youth of the community to get involved in agriculture. 4H type activities provide productive and wholesome activities for youth and families, and they highlight the importance of agriculture in our lives. The proponents feel that a fair in Carson City will fill the void created with the demise of the state fair in Reno. Large agricultural fairs can also provide important economic benefits to communities that host them.

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: "Carson City, Nevada Boards, Committees and Commissions" Policies and Procedures approved September 5, 2012.

Fiscal Impact: None.

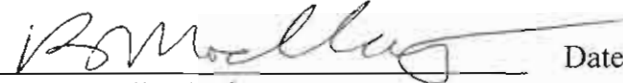
Explanation of Impact: N/A

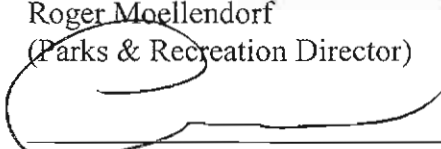
Funding Source: N/A.

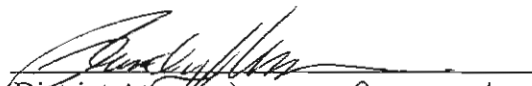
Alternatives: Do not approve the action request and direct staff to some other option.

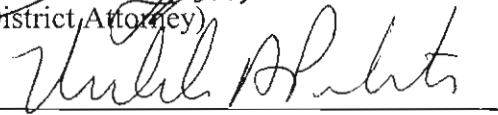
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