FISCAL SUMMARY FOR GENERAL FUND

Department Name: Landfill										
Department Number: 6804										
		2014-15 Actual		2015-16 Estimated		2016-17 Proposed	% Change Budget	\$ Change Budget		
REVENUE				<u></u>						
General Fund Support	\$	(2,093,219)	\$	(1,758,992)	\$	(1,750,286)	-0.49%	\$	8,706	
Charges for Services		3,600,140		3,504,000		3,608,670	2.99%		104,670	
TOTAL	\$	1,506,921	\$	1,745,008	\$	1,858,384	6.50%	\$	113,376	
EXPENDITURE										
Salary	\$	507,983	\$	574,014	\$	602,488	4.96%	\$	28,474	
Benefits		214,775		249,235		245,966	-1.31%		(3,270	
Service & Supplies		784,163		906,758		1,009,930	11.38%		103,172	
Capital Outlay		_		15,000		-	-100.00%		(15,000)	
Operating Transfer Out				-			0.00%		-	
TOTAL	\$	1,506,921	\$	1,745,008	\$	1,858,384	6.50%	\$	113,376	
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FISCAL SUMMARY FOR GENERAL FUND

Department Number: 1430									
	1	2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 Actual Estimated Proposed		2002/12/1	% Change Budget	\$ Change Budget			
REVENUE									
General Fund Support	\$	130,998	\$	112,302	\$	114,468	1.93%	\$	2,167
Intergovernmental		-		<u>-</u>		_	0.00%		
Other		~		-		_	0.00%		
TOTAL	\$	130,998	\$	112,302	\$	114,468	1.93%	\$	2,167
EXPENDITURE				NO.					
Salary	\$	83,639	\$	66,721	\$	68,884	3.24%	\$	2,163
Benefits		39,345		33,830		33,834	0.01%		4
Service & Supplies		8,014		11,750		11,750	0.00%		
Capital Outlay		-		-		-	0.00%		
TOTAL	\$	130,998	\$	112,302	\$	114,468	1.93%	\$	2,167

CARSON CITY, NEVADA CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND STATE CAPITAL

FY 2017 Carson City Budget Open Houses Comment Form Results

Carson City held two budget open houses on April 4, 2016. The public was invited to provide comments regarding the proposed FY 2017 Carson City Budgets. The following is a recap of the comments received from the public.

Parks and Recreation

- I support an immediate funding of portable restrooms unisex and handicapped accessible – in our neighborhood parks. This has been lacking for decades. As Carson prides itself on being a good place to live, to enjoy recreation, it should provide and service basic facilities. I also support including and requiring portable restroom facilities in all current and future parks including the Lompa Subdivision. Also, we need restroom facilities as part of the downtown redevelopment.
- Please support the "Potties in the Parks" initiative for health reasons of all kinds. See attached Nevada Appeal article.

Library

 I support a new library building, it's as important as public safety. I support being open on Sundays. I support new carpet. I support increased staffing and a property tax increase to pay for it. Published in the Nevada Appeal 03/23/16

Fresh Ideas: Potties in the parks - again

It is healthy to hydrate and unhealthy to hold it. That is as true today as in 1999 when I last wrote about potties-in-the-parks. Seventeen years later, the need remains urgent. At that time, residents of the Long Ranch subdivision off Kings Canyon Road and Longview successfully protested the Carson City Parks and Recreation proposal to place one unisex, handicapped accessible port-a-potty at the Long Ranch Park which has playground equipment, a gazebo with picnic tables and benches, and walking paths. The argument for pottyless parks was that because it's a neighborhood park, calls of nature can be answered at home. In 1999, I was told neighborhood residents didn't want a toilet facility which could attract vagrants, graffiti and vandalism.

In the passage of time, Carson has built and updated its park system citywide. Children's play equipment has been modernized for safety and aesthetic standards. Our city crews mow and water and trim and tend. Over 50 percent of Carson's parks allow dogs, and it's easy to tell on the city's website which ones are Fido-friendly. Potty-friendly, not so much.

According to my calculations from the City's online chart, only eight of Carson's 21 "neighborhood parks" – and that means all parks – have restrooms. That's a dismal 38 percent, and includes the large and multi-purpose Mills and Fuji Parks. Take them out of the count and only five parks have potties, just 27 percent of the remaining 18 parks.

And yet, getting back to quality of life basics, an uncomfortably obvious deficit exists – the lack of restroom facilities in neighborhood parks. The City's policy to not fully service neighborhood parks has a disturbing consequence. Without an available restroom, residents from other parts of town don't feel welcome. Is that the City's not-so-subtle objective in keeping Sunset, Long Ranch and Carriage Square parks, among others, potty-free?

Portable and seasonal potty technology continues to improve. You don't need a permanent cement and stainless steel building in order to provide the most basic of amenities. The portapotty is a clean, safe, and efficient way to make sure that the post-Pampers and pre-Depends crowd has a place to....go. Children, youth soccer, older folks, people with medical conditions, the pregnant, the bikeables and walkables, and especially the hydrated all need and deserve facilities in our otherwise well maintained and accessible park facilities.

The newly proposed Lompa subdivision, north of East Fifth Street and East of Saliman, will include land for parks. Restroom facilities at Lompa must be in the plans and budgets.

A city which can spend millions to redo downtown for tourists (including public restrooms I assume) should have the plans and means for this basic quality of life amenity for its own residents.

If you'd like to get potties-in-the-parks funded, here's a place to start. The City will hold a public budget open house on April 4 at the Community Center from noon to 1:30 pm and 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Stop by the Parks and Recreation table to discuss this pressing budget need. And reach out to the Supervisors by email through the City's carson.org website to let them know you want action now, including potties in the budget of the parks department.

It's urgent. It's been urgent for over 17 years. That's a long time to wait. You gotta go!

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