



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Supervisors

Meeting Date: May 19, 2016

Staff Contact: Richard Wilkinson Senior Natural Resource Specialist

Agenda Title: For Possible Action: To accept the Open Space Advisory Committee recommendation for submittal of a grant application to the Nevada Division of State Lands, Question #1 grant program for watershed improvements in the Golden Eagle Lane area and to allow the Mayor to sign a letter of support.

Staff Summary:

Staff has been working on several grant sources for funding to complete erosion control and Carson River watershed improvement work along Golden Eagle Lane. Currently, we have a budget shortfall of \$50,000 to get the project completed. Staff would like to submit a grant to the Nevada Division of State Lands Question #1 grant program for \$40,000 to help provide enough funding to complete the project.

Agenda Action: Formal Action/Motion

Time Requested: 10 Minutes

Proposed Motion

I move to accept the Open Space Advisory Committee recommendation for submittal of a grant application to the Nevada Division of State Lands, Question #1 grant program for watershed improvements in the Golden Eagle Lane area and to allow the Mayor to sign a letter of support.

Board's Strategic Goal

Quality of Life

Previous Action

The Board of Supervisors approved submittal of a grant application to the Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) on January 7, 2016. Staff submitted a funding request to the CWSD in January 2016 for the Golden Eagle Lane erosion control and Carson River watershed improvement project.

Background/Issues & Analysis

Staff submitted a funding request to the CWSD in January 2016 for the Golden Eagle Lane erosion control and Carson River watershed improvement project. The estimated project cost is \$150,000. The CWSD Finance Committee had multiple funding requests, which exceeded the amount of funding available; therefore the Committee was able to award just \$75,000 towards this project. The funding award of \$75,000 instead of \$125,000 has resulted in a budget shortfall of \$50,000. Staff would like to submit a grant application to the Nevada Division of State Lands Question #1 grant program for \$40,000. With \$25,000 allocated from the Open Space budget, there is still a shortfall of \$10,000. If the bidding process results show a shortage of funding for the entire project, staff would proceed with a phased project or supplement from the Quality of Life-Open Space account for maintenance and management.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation

Omnibus Public Lands Management Act of 2009
Conservation Easement

Financial Information

Is there a fiscal impact? Yes No

If yes, account name/number: Maintenance and Management 254-5047-452-0450

Is it currently budgeted? Yes No

Explanation of Fiscal Impact: The Open Space Advisory Committee has made the recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to allocate \$25,000 as cash match for the Golden Eagle Lane project. This funding would not be spent unless the project is fully funded and construction occurs.

Alternatives

Suggest modifications to the proposal or reject.

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____

1) _____

2) _____

Aye/Nay

(Vote Recorded By)

May 19, 2016

Mr. Charlie Donahue, Administrator
Nevada Division of State lands
Question #1 Grant Program
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 5003
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Golden Eagle Lane Erosion Control and Carson River Watershed Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Donahue,

On behalf of the Carson City Board of Supervisors and our residents, I would like to take this opportunity to express our support and request your uppermost consideration for the Golden Eagle Lane Erosion Control and Carson River Watershed Improvement Project.

This project will implement restoration techniques that will improve natural resource conditions near the Carson River and Golden Eagle Lane. The project will stabilize soils, collect sediment, and improve water quality in the Carson River. Carson City is being proactive in managing our resources and following the principles established in the Carson River Floodplain Management Plan adopted in 2008.

Thank you for your consideration of this grant request.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Crowell
Mayor