

# WASHOE COUNTY

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DATE:	May 22, 2017
TO:	Board of County Commissioners
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THROUGH:	Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager
SUBJECT:	Possible action to approve the re-appointment of two Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioners for a second term on the commission [staff recommends Nathan Daniel and Thomas Guinn] for terms beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021, or until such time as a successor is appointed. (All Commission Districts.)

## **SUMMARY**

Nathan Daniel and Thomas Guinn, Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioners, current terms expire on June 30, 2017. Both Commissioners have requested to be reappointed to a second term of four years on the commission, commencing July 1, 2017 and ending on June 30, 2021.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Stewardship of our community.

# **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On July 26, 2016 – The Board of County Commissioners (Board) appointed Charles Guffey to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission.

On September 8, 2015 – The Board appointed Doug Doolittle to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission.

On July 23, 2013 – The Board appointed Janet Davis to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission.

On June 11, 2013 – The Board approved the reappointment of Anne Buckley, and appointed Thomas Guinn, Alan Sheakley, Nathan Daniel, and Scott Pierson to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission.

On April 12, 2011 – The Board approved reappointment to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission of Jim Nadeau from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2015, and Robert Jacobson from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013.



On September 22, 2009 – The Board approved reappointment of Bill von Phul, Patty Moen and Cliff Young to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission for terms through June 30, 2013, and appointed Ed Harney to fill a vacant position through June 30, 2012, and Anne Buckley to fill a vacant position through June 30, 2013.

On August 14, 2007 – The Board approved reappointment of Robert Jacobson to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission for a term through June 30, 2011, and possible appointment of one new Commissioner to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission to fill a vacant term through June 30, 2011.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Open Space and Regional Parks Commission is composed of nine members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners from residents of the County at large. The powers and duties of the park commission are:

1. To act in advisory capacity to the Board of County Commissioners in promoting, aiding and encouraging public recreation including the development of recreation and park facilities.

2. To act in an advisory capacity to the Director of Community Services in maintenance, development and operation of all county-owned or operated recreation areas and facilities and to develop rules and regulations governing the use of those facilities.

3. To establish general procedures to carry out the purpose of the Commission and recommend rules and regulations to the Board of County Commissioners as it may deem necessary to facilitate the carrying on of a recreation and park system.

4. To study and make recommendations on the Department's operating procedures and policies, fiscal policies and plans, and acquisition and development plans and policies.

5. To interpret the recreation program to public officials and to the general public in order that the recreation and park program may receive adequate support from public and private sources.

6. To consult with the Director on methods of financing a county-wide parks and recreation program, and make recommendations thereon.

7. To make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners on deviations from, alterations to, or additions to the Master Plan for Parks and Recreation.

8. To make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners on a schedule of priorities for acquisition and development of park property in accordance with the Master Plan.

9. To recommend to the Board of County Commissioners a time schedule for acquisition and development of park and recreation facilities.

10. To review and recommend annual budgets to the Board of County Commissioners.

11. To recommend to the Board of County Commissioners, rates, tolls and charges for services and the use or availability of facilities.

12. To recommend to the Board of County Commissioners the purchase, lease or exchange of lands for recreation or park purposes.

13. To review and recommend contemplated contracts to the Board of County Commissioners for the operation, construction and development of park and recreation facilities.

14. To exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the Board of County Commissioners.

The appointment of commissioners to the Open Space and Regional Parks Commission is not based on Board of County Commission district; however, practice has been to appoint at least one Park Commissioner from each County Commission district.

Commissioner Guinn lives in District 2 Commissioner Daniel lives in District 3

#### FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to Washoe County for appointments to the Open Space and Regional Park Commission as per NRS, commissioners shall serve without compensation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the re-appointment of two Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioners for a second term on the commission [staff recommends Nathan Daniel and Thomas Guinn] for terms beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021, or until such time as a successor is appointed.

## **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with the recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve the re-appointment of two Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioners for a second term on the commission [staff recommends Nathan Daniel and Thomas Guinn] for terms beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021, or until such time as a successor is appointed."