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WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 1001 E. 9th Street, Reno, Nevada 89512

CHIEF DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY
Mary Kandaras

April 15, 2025
10:00 a.m.

COUNTY CLERK
Janis Galassini

NOTE: Items on this agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other items, removed from the agenda, or moved to the agenda of another later meeting. The Consent section is a single agenda item and is considered as a block and will not be read aloud. Items on this agenda may also be moved to or from the consent section. Items not voted on in the Consent section may also be voted on in a separate block or blocks. Items designated for a specified time will not be heard prior to the stated time but may be heard later. There will be only one period of public comment on any block vote. Any public comment made during that period may pertain to any of the items being voted on in the block, but there will not be separate public comment periods for each item within the block.

Location. This meeting will be held at the physical location designated on this agenda, but one or more of the County Commissioners and/or County staff may attend and participate by a remote technology system. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting may do so at the designated physical location or may otherwise participate as stated in the Public Comment section. The Chair or their designee will make reasonable efforts to ensure that members of the public body and members of the public present at the physical location can hear or observe each member attending by remote technology system, and each member of the public body in attendance can participate in the meeting.

Accessibility. Washoe County, in compliance with Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, will make its public meetings digitally, physically, and language accessible to the public. For limited English proficient and hearing-impaired individuals, the Wordly application is available to members of the public attending the meeting in-person. Persons who require special accommodations or assistance in attending this meeting may contact the Office of the County Manager at least two working days before the meeting, if possible, by dialing 311 from any phone or (775) 328-2003.

Public Transportation. Public transportation is available to this meeting site. For eligible RTC ACCESS reservations call (775) 348-5438 or visit: <https://www.rtcwashoe.com/public-transportation/>.

Public Comment. Public comment is welcomed during public comment periods and is limited to 3 minutes per person per public comment period. Unused time may not be allocated to other speakers. A speaker's viewpoint will not be restricted; however, reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place, and manner of speech. Irrelevant statements, unduly repetitious statements, and personal attacks that would objectively antagonize or incite others are examples of speech that may be reasonably limited. All comments are to be directed to the Commission as a whole.

During the general public comment periods at the beginning and end of the meeting, speakers may address any matter either on or off the agenda. Items voted on in the Consent section or in a separate block or blocks shall have a single public comment period per block, and public comment will only be heard about the specific items being considered by the Commission in the block. For the remainder of the agenda, during items designated "for possible action" that are considered individually, public comment will only be heard about the specific item being considered by the Commission. Members of the public that wish to share documents or make a brief presentation within their public comment period must provide ten (10) printed copies of each document. Please note that USB drives or any other digital media will not be accepted due to the risk of introducing viruses or malicious code, which could potentially compromise the County's systems.

Members of the public may also submit comments by mail (1001 E. Ninth St., Reno, NV 89512), by eComment at <https://washoe-nv.granicusideas.com/#>. The County will make reasonable efforts to include all such comments received by 4:00 pm one working day prior to the meeting in the record. Mail and eComment will not be read by the Clerk.

Although not required by the Open Meeting Law, in order to accommodate persons residing in populated areas substantially outside the vicinity of the commission chambers, additional public comment may be given by remote technology system on agenda items concerning Districts 1, 5, or "All Commission Districts" (as specified in the subject line of the respective agenda items as "Virtual Public Comment Eligible") from the following locations: Incline Village Library: 845 Alder Ave, Incline Village, NV 89451 and/or Gerlach Community Center: 510 Cottonwood St, Gerlach, NV 89412.

Forum Restrictions and Orderly Conduct of Business. The Board of County Commissioners carries out the business of Washoe County and its residents during its meetings. The presiding officer may order a person be removed if the person's conduct or statements disrupt the order or safety of the meeting. Warnings about disruptive conduct or comments may or may not be given prior to removal.

Responses to Public Comments. The Board of County Commissioners may only deliberate or take action on matters that have been properly labeled "for possible action" and listed on a properly noticed Agenda. While the Open Meeting law allows discussion of public comments by members of the Commission, responses to matters not listed on the agenda could become deliberation without notice to the public. To avoid this situation and to ensure the public has proper notice of all matters, members may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for staff to provide information, or ask that the matter be listed on a future agenda for consideration.

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - April 15, 2025

Pursuant to NRS 241.020, the Agenda for the Board of County Commissioners has been posted at the following locations: Washoe County Administration Building (1001 E. 9th Street, Bldg. A), Washoe County Courthouse-Second Judicial District Court (75 Court Street), Reno City Hall - Clerk's Office (1 E. 1st Street); Sparks Justice Court (1675 East Prater Way); www.washoecounty.gov/bcc/board_committees/ and <https://notice.nv.gov>.

Although no longer required under NRS 241.020, the agenda has been physically posted at the following locations: Washoe County Courthouse-Second Judicial District Court (75 Court Street), Reno City Hall - Clerk's Office (1 E. 1st Street), Sparks Justice Court (1675 East Prater Way).

Support documentation for the items on the agenda, provided to the Washoe County Board of Commissioners, is available to members of the public at the County Manager's Office (1001 E. 9th Street, Bldg. A, 2nd Floor, Reno, Nevada) Washoe 311 (washoe311@washoecounty.gov), (775) 328-2000 and on Washoe County's website www.washoecounty.gov/bcc/.

We begin by acknowledging that we gather today on the ancestral homelands of the Waší·šiw (Washoe), Numu (Northern Paiute), Newe (Western Shoshone), Nuwu (Southern Paiute), and Pipa Aha (Mojave), the original caretakers of the land that we now call Nevada. Washoe County, formally named after the Washoe people in 1861, continues to be a gathering place and home for Indigenous Peoples, and we recognize their rich history and deep connections to these lands. May we honor their past, present, and future stewardship by remembering that the health of the land and its people are inextricably linked.

10:00 a.m.

1. Salute to the flag.
2. Roll call.

3. Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Commission agenda. Unused time may not be allocated to other speakers. The Commission will also hear public comment during individual action items with comment limited to three minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Commission as a whole. Virtual Public Comment may be taken when facilities are available.

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4. Commissioners'/County Manager's announcements, reports and updates to include boards and commissions updates, requests for information or topics for future agendas. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item.)

5. Donations. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

5.A.1. Recommendation to accept cash donations totaling \$56,956.74: [\$18,505.00 Lazy 5 Summer Music Series, Come In From The Cold, Pickleball nets, Rancho San Rafael improvements]; [\$80.74 from the donation drop box at the May Museum]; [\$30,553.00 May Foundation reimbursements for interpretive panels, memorial plaque]; [\$7,818.00 to the Arboretum for bricks, general maintenance and support]; and accept in-kind donations from the May Arboretum Society [valued at \$49,466.79]; accept in-kind donations from Peter Ting, individual [valued at \$3,000.00]; and accept in-kind donations from Timorthy Torrell, individual [valued at \$2,000.00] for Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities; and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments. Community Services. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [TMP-9762 - BCC 4-15-25 - Parks Donations JH](#)

6. Consent Items. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

eComment to be provided here. The Consent section is a single agenda item and is considered as a block. Individual items in the Consent section will not be eComment eligible. When providing eComment, please note the specific item being addressed.

6.A.1. Recommendation to acknowledge receipt of the completed audit for the Cash Control Audit for the Northern Nevada Public Health (NNPH) from the Internal Audit Division. Finance. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 4-15-25 Cash Control Audit NNPH](#)
[Internal Audit Report - Cash Control Audit - NNPH](#)

6.A.2. Recommendation to acknowledge receipt of the completed audit for the Cash Control Audit for the Washoe County Senior Services from the Internal Audit Division. Finance. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 4-15-25 Cash Control Audit Senior Services](#)
[Internal Audit Report - Cash Control Audit - Senior Services](#)

- 6.A.3. Recommendation to acknowledge receipt of the completed audit for the Cash Control Audit for the Washoe County Library System from the Internal Audit Division. Finance. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 4-15-25 Cash Control Audit Washoe County Library System Internal Audit Report - Cash Control Audit - WCLS](#)

- 6.B.1. Recommendation to approve Nevada Public Libraries State Collection Development Funding in the amount of [\$36,037.00, no local match required] for a term retroactive from November 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, for the expansion of library materials in the digital collection of Washoe County Library System; if approved, to authorize the Finance Department to make the necessary amendments to Washoe County Library System's Fiscal Year 25 budget to reflect the receipt and use of the grant funds. Library. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 4-15-2025 - FY State Collection Development Funding FY 2025 State Collection Development Funding Grant Application FY 2025 State Collection Development Funding Letter](#)

- 6.C.1. Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of \$7,097.11 in both revenue and expense to the FY25 Burning Man Project Donation account for the Community and Clinical Health Services (CCHS) Division to support the Family Planning Program, and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments. Northern Nevada Public Health. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC Staff Report 4-15-25 - NNPH Burning Man Donation 3.27.25 DBOH Meeting Notice and Agenda](#)

- 6.D.1. Recommendation to approve the request to establish a bank checking account for the Comptroller's Department and approve the policy to accept Venmo payments from County employees only as described in the Washoe County Venmo account policy. No fiscal impact. Treasurer. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [2025-04 - Venmo Bank Account Staff Report.pdf](#)
[WASHOE COUNTY VENMO ACCOUNT POLICY .pdf](#)

End of Consent Items

7. Recommendation to acknowledge status report and possible direction to staff on the County Manager's recommended Fiscal Year 2026 Budget (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026) with estimated appropriations of approximately [\$1,064,408,656] which incorporates Board priorities of funding for existing contractual obligations, supplies, utilities, personnel costs, capital improvements and operations, and maintaining the County's assets and infrastructure needs, and direct the County Manager to return to the Board of County Commission with the certified Tentative and Final Budget for adoption at a public hearing to be scheduled on May 20, 2025. Finance. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 04.15.2025 FY26 Manager's Recommended Budget Staff Report](#)

8. Recommendation to accept a grant award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY24 Invited to Apply-Byrne Discretionary Community Project Grants/Byrne Discretionary Grants Program, Award No 15PBJA-24-GG-00250-BRND [amount not to exceed \$996,000.00, No County match required], to cover costs related to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Division Regional Rapid DNA Program, for the retroactive grant term of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2026 and if approved, authorize Sheriff Balaam to retroactively execute the grant award documentation, and direct the Finance Department to make the necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Attachments: [BCC 04-15-2025 - Sheriff - FY24 Byrne Discretionary Community Project Grants-Byrne Discretionary Grants Program \[\\$996,000\]](#)
[Award BJA FY24 Byrne Community project - Rapid DNA - S1 EX](#)

9. Discussion and direction to staff regarding legislation or legislative issues proposed by legislators, by Washoe County, or by other entities permitted by the Nevada State Legislature to submit bill draft requests, or such legislative issues as may be deemed by the Chair or the Board to be of critical significance to Washoe County. Pending legislative bills can be located here:
<<<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/83rd2025/Bills/List>>>. Current bills the County is tracking that may be reported on or discussed are listed under Government Affairs at <<https://www.washoecounty.gov/mgrsoff/divisions/government-affairs/index.php>>. Due to time constraints inherent in the legislative process, a list of specific bills that staff will seek direction from the Commission on during this item will be posted on the web site under Government Affairs at <<https://www.washoecounty.gov/mgrsoff/divisions/government-affairs/index.php>> by 6:00 p.m. the Friday before the meeting. Due to the rapid pace of the legislative session, additional bills upon which comment may be sought from the Board of County Commissioners will be posted as soon as known. Manager. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

10. Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with Washoe County and/or Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District per NRS 288.220. Human Resources. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
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Adjournment

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Various boards/commissions the Washoe County Commissioners may be a member of or liaison to:

Chair Hill

Community Homelessness Advisory Board
Downtown Reno Business Improvement District (alternate)
Nevada Tahoe Conservation District Board of Supervisors
Regional Transportation Commission
Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority
Tahoe Prosperity Center Board of Directors
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board
Tahoe Transportation District Board of Directors
Tahoe Transportation Commission
Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board
Truckee North Tahoe Transportation Management Association Board
Truckee River Flood Management Authority
Washoe County Internal Audit Committee (alternate)
Washoe County Investment Committee
Washoe County Legislative Liaison
Washoe County Stadium Authority (alternate)
Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) – TMWA Appointed

Vice-Chair Herman

Nevada Association of Counties Board of Directors (NACO)
Nevadaworks
Regional Transportation Commission (alternate)
State Land Use Planning Advisory Council (SLUPAC)
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency Governing Board
Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board (alternate)
Truckee River Flood Management Authority (alternate)
Vya Conservation District (Diane Stobiecki—alternate)
Washoe County Debt Management Commission
Washoe County Internal Audit Committee
Washoe County Legislative Liaison
Washoe County School District Capital Funding Protection Committee
Washoe County School District Oversight Panel
Washoe County Stadium Authority (alternate)
Washoe Storey Conservation District
Western Nevada Development District (WNDD) (alternate)

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Commissioner Clark

Community Homelessness Advisory Board
EDAWN (Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada) (alternate)
Nevada Association of Counties Board of Directors (NACO) (alternate)
Regional Transportation Commission (alternate)
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency Governing Board
Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board (alternate)
Truckee River Flood Management Authority (alternate)
Washoe County Criminal Justice Advisory Committee
Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board Liaison
Washoe County Stadium Authority (alternate)
Washoe Storey Conservation District (alternate)
Western Nevada Development District (WNDD)

Commissioner Garcia

Community Homelessness Advisory Board (alternate)
Downtown Reno Business Improvement District
EDAWN (Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada)
Nevada Tahoe Conservation District Board of Supervisors (alternate)
Regional Transportation Commission
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board (alternate)
Tahoe Transportation District Board of Directors (alternate)
Tahoe Transportation Commission (alternate)
Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board (alternate)
Truckee River Flood Management Authority (alternate)
Washoe County Open Space and Regional Parks Commission (liaison)
Washoe County Stadium Authority
Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) – TMWA Appointed

Commissioner Andriola

District Board of Health
Nevada Association of Counties Board of Directors (NACO)
Regional Transportation Commission (alternate)
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency Governing Board
Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board
Truckee River Flood Management Authority
Washoe County Investment Committee
Washoe County Regional Animal Services
Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board Liaison (alternate)
Washoe County School District Capital Funding Protection Committee
Washoe County School District Oversight Panel
Washoe County Stadium Authority
Western Regional Water Commission