CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Yolanda T. King, County Manager

Recommendation:

That the Board of County Commissioners nominate a qualified individual to be considered to fill a vacancy in Nevada Assembly District 36, vacated by Dennis Hof for the remainder of a term to expire upon the next regular election from the list of following individuals: Tina L. Bond-Kuglin, Joseph J. Bradley, Joseph M. Burdzinski, Brigitte Dubin, Thomas “Tom” Duryea, Jared Fisher, William S. Gray Sr., Walter S. Grudzinski, Gregory T. Hafen II, Jonathan Hernandez, Adam Westley Huckaby, Bailey Kesl, Brent Leavitt, Denise Mraz, Patrick J. Nary, Charles R. Navarro IV, Nathan Taylor, Sandra Faye Tulley, and Wayne Villines. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

BACKGROUND:

On November 6, 2018, Dennis Hof was elected to the Nevada Assembly District 36 posthumously. As a result, a vacancy was created in Nevada Assembly District 36. Article 4, Section 12 of the Nevada Constitution provides that in cases of vacancy, the county commissioners of the county from which the senator or assemblyman was elected shall appoint a replacement of the same party. Dennis Hof was a Republican. Moreover, those interested in filling the vacancy must also reside in the district at the time of the appointment by the county commission.

NRS 218A.260 (3) provides that if the former legislator was elected from a district comprising more than one (1) county, the county commissioners of each county within or partly within the district shall fill the vacancy. Nevada Assembly District 36 spans three (3) different counties: Clark, Lincoln, and Nye. As a result, each board of county commissioners shall first meet separately and determine the single candidate it will nominate to fill the vacancy. After each board of county commissioners meet separately, they will meet jointly. The joint meeting must be chaired by the chair of the board of county commissioners of the county with the largest population in the district. At the joint meeting:

1) The chair of each board, on behalf of their respective board, shall cast a proportionate number of votes according to the percent, rounded to the nearest whole percent, which the population of the board’s county is of the population of the entire district. Populations must be determined by the last decennial census or special census conducted by the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce.

2) The person who receives a plurality of these votes is appointed to fill the vacancy. If no person receives a plurality of the votes, the boards of county commissioners of the respective counties shall each select a candidate, and the appointee must be chosen by drawing lots among the candidates so selected.

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Clark, Lincoln, and Nye Counties advertised an application period from November 9 through November 26 for those persons interested in representing Nevada Assembly District 36. The following applications and resumes were received by all three (3) counties:

- Tina L. Bond-Kuglin
- Joseph J. Bradley
- Joseph M. Burdzinski
- Brigitte Dubin
- Thomas “Tom” Duryea
- Jared Fisher
- William S. Gray Sr.
- Walter S. Grudzinski
- Gregory T. Hafen II
- Jonathan Hernandez
- Adam Westley Huckeby
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- Nathan Taylor
- Sandra Faye Tulley
- Wayne Villines

The Clark County Board of County Commissioners is asked to nominate a qualified individual to be considered to fill a vacancy in Nevada Assembly District 36. The Lincoln County Board of County Commissioners and the Nye County Board of County Commissioners will also nominate their candidate this week as well. The joint meeting to select the person to fill the vacancy will occur on December 7, 2018, in Pahrump, Nevada.

Respectfully submitted,

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Yolanda T. King, County Manager