

4-13-2021 Reno City Council Meeting - Item B.1

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Daniel K	Inouye	1							Dinouye@washoecounty.us	Apr 12, 2021 at 2:46 PM	Current air quality monitoring data indicates that Reno and Washoe County is in violation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone, PM2.5, and PM10. Concentrations of pollutants in the air above the NAAQS endangers the health of the citizens of Reno and Washoe County and a non-attainment designation from the EPA is a threat to future economic development in Northern Nevada.
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Comments for April 13 Reno City Council & Redevelopment Agency Board

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Please find attached comments for the April 13 Reno City Council & Redevelopment Agency Board meeting, specifically Agenda Item B.1. Thank you.

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WASHOE COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

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April 12, 2021

Reno City Council
One East First Street
Reno, Nevada 89501

Subject: 2021/22 Goals, Priorities, and Budgets

Dear City Councilmembers:

The Washoe County Health District, Air Quality Management Division (AQMD) respectfully submits comments for the April 13, 2021, Reno City Council & Redevelopment Agency Board meeting. Current air quality monitoring data indicates that Reno and Washoe County is in violation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone, PM_{2.5}, and PM₁₀. Concentrations of pollutants in the air above the NAAQS endangers the health of the citizens of Reno and Washoe County and a non-attainment designation from the EPA is a threat to future economic development in Northern Nevada.

The most effective strategies to reduce ozone concentrations are to reduce: 1) Vehicle miles traveled, 2) motor vehicle tailpipe emissions, and 3) urban heat island impacts. To support the health and economic benefits of meeting the ozone standard, the AQMD has the following recommendations addressing the 2021/22 goals and priorities for the City of Reno. These will also further support strategies to implement the Master Plan, the Sustainability and Climate Action Plan, and Ozone Advance.

1. Overarching Goals: Retain the current overarching goal of "Infrastructure, Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability".
2. Tier 1 Priorities:
 - a. Reprioritize the current "Evaluate environmental, infrastructure, and service impacts of development" from Tier 2 to Tier 1.
 - b. Add a new priority to implement the Master Plan, specifically to mitigate the environmental impacts from development.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the 2021/22 Goals, Priorities, and Budgets. The AQMD is available for further discussion and can provide additional input on specific elements. Feel free to contact me at 775-784-7200 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



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