

CLARK COUNTY
STAFF REPORT



DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Public Works Parks

DATE: November 18, 2014

REQUEST: Request Approval to consolidate Parks administration and operations/maintenance functions into one fund.

CHECK ONE: Consent Chief Administrative Officer

PUBLIC WORKS GOALS:

- Provide safe and efficient transportation systems within Clark County
- Continue responsible stewardship of public funds
- Promote family-wage job creation and economic development to support a thriving community
- Maintain a desirable quality of life
- Improve environmental stewardship and protection of natural resources
- Increase partnerships and foster an engaged, informed community
- Make Public Works a great place to work

BACKGROUND: In December 2013, the interlocal agreement with Vancouver/Clark Parks was dissolved. In January, 2014, the County took over the planning and administrative functions and formed a new Parks Division. Public Works developed a new Parks Administration budget as part of this new division. This was in addition to the Greater Clark Parks District Maintenance budget, the Volunteer budget, the General Fund Parks Maintenance budget, and the Campus Maintenance budget.

Public Works is requesting to consolidate all of the parks administrative and operations/maintenance budgets into one fund, with separate departments to ensure that each area can be tracked separately. This will reduce the complexity and the number of line items needed in the budget, making it more efficient for both the Auditor's Office and our financial staff to track. The General Fund portion of Parks admin and maintenance will constitute a fund transfer to the Greater Clark Parks District Fund, 1032.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: None.

BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Clark County Parks is not requesting any additional funding; this will only consolidate the existing revenue and expenses currently available into one fund. There is a decision package in the 15/16 budget to move all of the General Fund parks admin and maintenance into the Greater Clark Parks District, fund 1032.

FISCAL IMPACTS: Yes (see Fiscal Impacts Attachment) No

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve consolidation of all Clark County Parks administrative and operations/maintenance funds.

DISTRIBUTION: Please forward a copy of the approved staff report to Public Works Administration.

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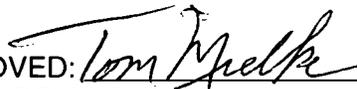


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APPROVED: 

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