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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 12, 2016

**DATE:** March 30, 2016  
**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
**FROM:** Al Rogers, Management Services Director  
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**THROUGH:** John Slaughter, County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Approve recommendation for Commission District Special Fund grants for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Commission District 2 in the [total amount of \$2,000]; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$2,000] grant to Washoe County Libraries to support and enhance Science Technology Engineering and Math programs; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget appropriation transfers. (Commission District 2)

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### SUMMARY

This item requests that the Board approves a resolution allocating Commission Special District Funds in the amount of [2,000] for Commission District 2 to Washoe County Libraries to support and enhance Science Technology Engineering and Math programs.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

### PREVIOUS ACTION

May 18, 2015 – Board of County Commissioners approved the 15-16 Fiscal Year budgets with Special District Funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000.

February 10, 2015 – Board of County Commissioners approved modification of guidelines and adoption of Resolution for County Commission District Special Funding creating Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District.

### BACKGROUND

All funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and are to support needs for all Washoe County residents that are not previously budgeted. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a governmental entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, direction or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commission, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

AGENDA ITEM # 5.6.2

District 2 Commissioner has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2015-16:

Washoe County Libraries – The Washoe County Library System (WCLS) operates under the parameters established for public libraries by the Nevada legislature and by the federal Institute of Museums and Library Services. The Washoe County Library System mission is to connect people with information, ideas and experiences to support an enriched and engaged community, one person at a time.

Science, Technology, Engineering and Math programing is included in the libraries diverse community programming offered to a full range of ages. The Library System will be focusing on opportunities to maximize its impact in the community. It will focus on outreach efforts to schools and community organizations, blending innovative technologies with one-on-one customer service, and offering community spaces to foster literacy, creativity, and collective knowledge.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds have been included in the FY 2015-2016 approved budget under Commission District Constituent cost centers: District 2 – 100102. This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$2,000] as follows:  
 District 2 Special Funding: [100102-710400]

This action also requires a cross-fund, cross-functional budget appropriation transfer for District 2 as follows:

Cost Object	G/L	Amount increase/<decrease>
CC – 100102 (General Fund - District 2 Special Funding)	710400 – Payments to Other Agencies	<\$2,000>
CC – C130320 (General Fund – Library – South Valleys)	711504 – Equipment Non Capital	\$2,000

**RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation to approve Commission District Special Fund grants for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Commission District 2 in the [total amount of \$2,000]; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$2,000] grant to Washoe County Libraries to support and enhance Science Technology Engineering and Math programs; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget appropriation transfers.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be “Recommendation to approve Commission District Special Fund grants for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Commission District 2 in the [total amount of \$2,000]; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$2,000] grant to Washoe County Libraries to support and enhance Science Technology Engineering and Math programs; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget appropriation transfers. ”

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Bob Lucey for District 2, has determined that \$2,000 is needed to provide support for the Washoe County Libraries Science Technology Engineering and Math(STEM) programming; and,

WHEREAS, Washoe County Library provides programming to the entire community by connecting residents to services; and, everyone benefits from the libraries support of literacy and self-education; and,

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Library STEM programming provides children access to learning tools that will give them the skills they will need to thrive in our expanding diverse economy; and, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Washoe County Library, a grant for fiscal year 2015-2016 in the amount of \$2,000.
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants for the County by providing access for residents to STEM programming through Washoe County Library System.
3. The maximum allowable expended for this effort within Commission District Special Funding Accounts is \$2,000 and funds shall not be used to purchase of tickets to special events.

ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016

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Kitty K. Jung, Chair

Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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County Clerk