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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *December 9, 2025*

DATE: November 13, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to make the following appointments to the Senior Advisory Board: (1) re-appoint Edward Lamb [District 4] for his second term; (2) re-appoint MaryAnn McCauley [District 5] for her second term; (3) re-appoint Pamela Roberts [District 1] for her second term; re-appoint Mac Rossi [At-Large] for his second term; appoint Ann Guinn and Alan Distefano for two vacant alternate seats; and appoint Monica Webb for the vacant District 5 seat. All appointments are effective December 1, 2025 with terms expiring November 30, 2029. (All Commission Districts).

SUMMARY

The Human Services Agency's Senior Services Division is recommending the following appointments to the Senior Advisory Board: (1) re-appoint Edward Lamb [District 4] for his second term; (2) re-appoint MaryAnn McCauley [District 5] for her second term; (3) re-appoint Pamela Roberts [District 1] for her second term; re-appoint Mac Rossi [At-Large] for his second term; appoint Ann Guinn and Alan Distefano for two vacant alternate seats; and appoint Monica Webb for the vacant District 5 seat. All appointments are effective December 1, 2025 with terms expiring November 30, 2029.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations

PREVIOUS ACTION

On November 12, 2025 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to appoint Monica Webb [District 5] to the vacant seat as Christine King [District 5] withdrew her application from consideration on November 7, 2025.

On October 8, 2025 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to re-appoint Mac Rossi to the At-Large position.

On September 10, 2025 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to appoint Ann Guinn and Alan Distefano for the two vacant alternate seats, and recommended to appoint either Christine King or Monica Webb to be appointed to the vacant seat in District 5 effective November 1, 2025 for all appointments for the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board. Applications were accepted for vacancies from June 24, 2025 through July 30, 2025. In total, 20

applications were received. Applicants were invited to attend the Senior Advisory Board Meeting on August 13, 2025 and again on September 10, 2025. Of the applicants that were invited, five appeared for the alternate position and two appeared for the District 5 opening.

On July 9, 2025 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to re-appoint MaryAnn McCauley for District 5 and re-appoint Edward Lamb for District 4. Additionally, recommendation was made to re-appoint Pamela Roberts, term expiring, and move her appointment from District 5 to District 1 due to relocating within the County.

On January 14, 2025 the Board of County Commissioners appointed Benecia Price and Edward Lamb [District 4] and appointed Patricia Gallimore [Alternate] to the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board.

On November 6, 2024 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to appoint both Benecia Price and Edward Lamb [District 4] due to Jane Baudelair's term expiring in October 2024. Additionally, they recommended to appoint Patricia Gallimore [Alternate] to District 1 due to Maris Kay Bonzer's term expiring also in 2024.

On September 4, 2024 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to appoint either Benecia Price or Edward Lamb [District 4] to the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board, effective immediately, and recommendation to appoint either Craig Bronzan or Joellen Keil to the Alternate position to the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board.

On June 18, 2024 the Board of County Commissioners removed Casey Reed [District 3] from the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board, effective immediately, and appointed Mac Rossi [Alternate] to the At Large position vacated by Hawah Ahmed; and approved to recruit for vacant positions.

On March 6, 2024 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to remove Casey Reed [District 3] from the Senior Advisory Board due to chronic absences. Per Washoe County Code 45.415 (4), a Senior Advisory Board member may be removed by the Board of County Commissioners for cause. For purposes of this section, "cause" includes three consecutive unexcused absences from advisory board meetings. Multiple attempts have been made to reach her via email, letter and phone with no success. The Senior Advisory Board also recommended to appoint Mac Rossi from his Alternate position to the At Large position vacated by Hawah Ahmed.

On October 17, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners appointed Thuy Tran [District 2] to the Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board for the term ending March 31, 2027; and to appoint Charles Neuman and Denise Myer [District 3] for the term ending September 30, 2027.

On August 15, 2023 The Board of County Commissioners appointed Mac Rossi [Alternate] for the remainder of the term ending August 31, 2025; recommendation to appoint Patricia Gallimore [Alternate] to the Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board for the remainder of the term ending June 30, 2025; and to appoint Adolfo Correa to District 2 for the term ending September 1, 2027.

On August 2, 2023 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommend to reappoint Thuy Tran for her 2nd term [District 2] which will expire March, 31, 2027; and recommend to reappoint Charles Neuman and Denise Myer [District 3] to their 2nd term which will expire September 20, 2027.

On July 5, 2023 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board recommended to appoint Mac Rossi [Alternate] for the remainder of the term ending August 31, 2025; recommendation to appoint Patricia Gallimore [Alternate] to the Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board for the remainder of the term ending June 30, 2025; and to appoint Adolfo Correa to District 2 for the term ending September 1, 2027.

On June 20, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners appointed Denise Myer [District 3] to the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board for the remainder of the term ending September 30, 2023, this position was vacated by Ethan Hovest who resigned from the Board in October 2022.

On May 3, 2023 the Washoe County Senior Advisory Board again recommended to appoint Denise Myer to [District 3] to the Washoe County Senior Services Advisory Board. This occurred after the opening was again published in an effort to provide a large pool of qualified candidates for both the Alternate positions along with the District 3 position. No other applications were received for District 3.

BACKGROUND

Washoe County Code 45.415 authorizes the Senior Advisory Board to include 11 members of the community, two members from each commission district, one at large member who shall serve as a permanent member and two at large alternates who shall serve in the absence of a permanent member. The members are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to serve a four-year term and may serve, with reappointment, a maximum of two consecutive terms. The Advisory Board members must be, as required by County Code, residents of the County and have an interest in civic affairs, and an interest or experience in the fields of nutrition, geriatric social work, administration, finance, and law.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to make the following appointments to the Senior Advisory Board: (1) re-appoint Edward Lamb [District 4] for his second term; (2) re-appoint MaryAnn McCauley [District 5] for her second term; (3) re-appoint Pamela Roberts [District 1] for her second term; re-appoint Mac Rossi [At-Large] for his second term; appoint Ann Guinn and Alan Distefano for two vacant alternate seats; and appoint Monica Webb for the vacant District 5 seat. All appointments are effective December 1, 2025 with terms expiring November 30, 2029.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be,
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