

WASHOE COUNTY

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# STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: May 22, 2018

DATE:	April 10, 2018
TO:	Board of County Commissioners
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SUBJECT:	Approve the Cancellation Agreement and associated Water Rights Deed to terminate the Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and Granite Hills Baptist Church, and re-convey 0.69 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Granite Hills Baptist Church. (Commission District 5.)

## **SUMMARY**

Pursuant to amendments to Washoe County Development Code, Chapter 110, Article 422, adopted on December 12, 2017, Washoe County is terminating a Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and Granite Hills Baptist Church, and re-conveying 0.69 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to the Granite Hills Baptist Church.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Stewardship of our community.

# PREVIOUS ACTION

On April 12, 2011, the Board of County Commissioners approved the Water Rights Deed and Water Sale Agreement, recorded with Washoe County Recorder on April 14, 2011 as document numbers 3993587 and 3993588 (for 0.69 acre-feet).

## **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Article 422 of Washoe County Development Code, Granite Hills Baptist Church dedicated 0.69 acre-feet of ground water rights in support of their building permit application for an addition to their existing church on Red Rock Road. By means of the Water Sale Agreement, Washoe County made the dedicated water rights available to the church to be used in support of the increased water demand created by their new project.

Washoe County amended its code to remove the mandate for the water rights dedication process and allow for re-conveyance of previously dedicated water rights. The documents

attached herewith accomplish the termination of the agreement between Washoe County and Granite Hills Baptist Church and transfers title to said water rights back to Granite Hills Baptist Church.

### FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this staff report.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended the Board of County Commissioners approve the Cancellation Agreement and associated Water Rights Deed to terminate the Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and Granite Hills Baptist Church, and re-convey 0.69 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Granite Hills Baptist Church.

### POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve the Cancellation Agreement and associated Water Rights Deed to terminate the Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and Granite Hills Baptist Church, and re-convey 0.69 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Granite Hills Baptist Church."