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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 19, 2020

DATE: May 1, 2020

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada to purchase food to aid in the organization's Covid 19 response and a [\$5,000] grant to Children's Cabinet's Emergency Fund to support families affected by the Covid 19 pandemic; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 2.)

SUMMARY

This item requests the Board to approve resolutions and disburse district funds in the total amount of [\$10,000] for Commission District 2.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

April 14, 2020 – The Board of County Commissioners approved allocating District 2 funds in the amount of [\$5,000] to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada and [\$5,000] to the Friends of Washoe County Library.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 21, 2019 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, directly or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commissioner, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Lucey has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2019-2020:

- [\$5,000] Food Bank of Northern Nevada to support the organization's response to the Covid 19 pandemic. Given the effects of business closures as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic and the attendant loss of employment for many Washoe County residents, the Food Bank of Northern Nevada is seeing an increased need for food resources.
- [\$5,000] to Children's Cabinet's Emergency Fund which supports the organization's response to the Covid 19 pandemic. The Emergency Fund provides funds to local families who are struggling financially due to job loss associated with Covid 19 and require assistance paying rent and utility bills to stay safely in their homes.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient FY20 budget authority exists within the Cost Center District 2 Constituents (C100102) and account Payments to other Agencies (710400). This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$10,000] to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada and Children's Cabinet.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

- Food Bank of Northern Nevada - \$5,000
- Children's Cabinet - \$5,000

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada to purchase food to aid in the organization's Covid 19 response and a [\$5,000] grant to Children's Cabinet's Emergency Fund to support families affected by the Covid 19 pandemic; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 2)

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: *"Move to approve Commission District Special Funds in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada to purchase food to aid in the organization's Covid 19 response and a [\$5,000] grant to Children's Cabinet's Emergency Fund to support families affected by the Covid 19 pandemic; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds."*