

**R26-23**  
**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION OF STORMWATER  
MANAGEMENT FEES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026**

WHEREAS, in 2014, the County determined that cash in the Stormwater Enterprise Fund was not sufficient to satisfy two bond issuances from 2005 and 2006; bond issuances that funded the North Spanish Springs Flood Detention Facility (NSSFDF) construction, completed in 2008, following several years of flood facility planning with citizens and the Board of County Commissioners (BCC); and

WHEREAS, Washoe County Ordinance No. 1552 was adopted effective April 25, 2015, revising Washoe County's requirements for stormwater drainage and flood control service within Washoe County by modifying the service area and the amount and basis for calculating stormwater management fees which are used for capital improvements, bond payments, operation and maintenance costs, and other matters properly relating thereto, increasing the fee from \$7.34 to \$9.31, and enabling the County to continue paying existing debt and fully fund operating expenses during the time when no connection fees were received; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1552, Section 1.4 provides that once bonds are fully paid, stormwater management fees will be evaluated and adjusted to reflect the completion of debt service for the initial capital project and to reflect only the appropriate monthly user fees to accommodate capital, maintenance, and other operating needs known or expected at the time of the adjustment; and

WHEREAS, County staff completed evaluation of the NSSFDF's operating and maintenance funding needs, and recommends lowering the stormwater management fee; and

WHEREAS, County has sufficient cash in the Stormwater Management Fund and projections of future costs to sufficiently reduce the fee from \$9.31 to \$2.00 per residential parcel or equivalent residential unit for non-residential parcels, while continuing the operation, maintenance repair and replacement needs of the program, while simultaneously funding Phase 2 of the NSSFDF project; and now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County, that the Community Services Department is hereby directed to prepare and present for introduction and first reading an

ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance 1552, to reduce stormwater management fees from \$9.31 to \$2.00 per residential parcel or equivalent residential unit for non-residential parcels, effective July 1, 2026; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that upon adoption of the amending ordinance, the Community Services Department is authorized and directed to make the corresponding billing adjustments effective July 1, 2026.

This resolution is effective on passage and approval.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, by the following vote:

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_

Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chair,  
Washoe County Commission

Attest:

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Washoe County Clerk