RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Grant of Public Monies to a Government Agency.

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 or to a governmental entity to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Clara Andriola for District 4, has determined that \$30,000.00 will be granted to the Washoe County Community Services Department, Planning Division -- a government entity – for the purpose of contracting planning consultants to assess best practices of permitting and development requirements for equine businesses in jurisdictions across the western U.S. and provide a summary of research; and

WHEREAS, the objective is to compare the findings to Washoe County Code (WCC) and identify opportunities for potential changes in the current regulations; and

WHEREAS, Washoe County will benefit significantly from this assessment, as the research and recommendations derived from the study will enable the local government to tailor regulations to better accommodate equine businesses; and

WHEREAS, this will foster an appropriate environment for equine-related activities, promote economic growth, and potentially streamline the process for becoming and renewing equine businesses in the area; now, therefore, be it

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

ADOPTED this 23rd day of January, 2024.

- 1. The Board hereby grants to the Washoe County Community Services Department a grant for fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$30,000.00.
- 2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the residents in Washoe County by supporting a thriving community and strengthening our culture of service.
- 3. The funds shall not be used to purchase tickets to special events.

	Chair Washoe County Commission