

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: June 17, 2025

DATE: May 29, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to appoint one candidate to the Washoe County open

seat on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (NLJRCC) for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, pursuant to Assembly Bill 236 (2019), now codified at NRS 176.014. Candidates include: Amy Baker, Brian Erbis, Darrin Rice, Andrea E. Schumann, and Danielle Shelley. Manager's Office. (All

Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

The 80th Nevada Legislature passed Assembly Bill 236 (AB 236), which became effective on July 1, 2020. AB 236 created the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council. The committee consists of 19 voting members, including two members from each county in the State with a population of 100,000 or more, including Washoe County.

On June 30, 2025, the terms for the Washoe County seats held by Clinton D. Hohenstein and James J. Phoenix will expire. James J. Phoenix has notified staff that he does not wish to be reappointed; therefore, staff actively recruited for this vacancy.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On June 10, 2026, the Board of County Commissioners reappointed Clinton D. Hohenstein to a two-year term starting on July 1, 2025 and ending on June 30, 2027.

On May 21, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners appointed Clinton D. Hohenstein and James J. Phoenix to partial two-year terms ending June 30, 2025.

On September 14, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners appointed Elliott Sattler and Jeff Clark to two-year terms ending June 30, 2023.

BACKGROUND

The 80th Nevada Legislature passed Assembly Bill 236 (AB 236), which became effective on July 1, 2020. AB 236 created the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council. The Council advises the Sentencing Commission on legislation, regulations, rules, budgetary changes, and other actions necessary to implement the provisions of AB 236. This includes:

- 1. Identifying county-level programming and treatment needs for individuals involved in the criminal justice system to reduce recidivism.
- 2. Making recommendations to the Sentencing Commission regarding grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations from the State General Fund.
- 3. Overseeing the implementation of local grants.
- 4. Creating performance measures to assess the effectiveness of those grants.
- 5. Identifying opportunities for collaboration with the Department of Health and Human Services at both the state and county levels for treatment services and funding.

Each member serves a two-year term and may be reappointed in the same manner as the original appointment. If a vacancy occurs, a new member must be appointed no later than 30 days after the vacancy.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to Washoe County for making appointments to or participating on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to appoint one candidate to the Washoe County open seat on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (NLJRCC) for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, pursuant to Assembly Bill 236 (2019), now codified at NRS 176.014. Candidates include: Amy Baker, Brian Erbis, Darrin Rice, Andrea E. Schumann, and Danielle Shelley. Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.)

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with this recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve the appointment of [selected candidate] to the Washoe County open seat on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (NLJRCC) for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027."