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## STAFF REPORT

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** October 19, 2021

**DATE:** October 11, 2021  
**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
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**THROUGH:** Eric Brown, County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to appoint either Sheryl Bennett, John Klacking or Thomas Young as the Washoe County Commission's non-elected member to the District Board of Health for a term from October 20, 2021 to September 30, 2025. (All Commission Districts.) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

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### **SUMMARY**

This appointment is per the 1993 Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement concerning the Washoe County Health District, Section 2, Subsection D Article III, Section IV of the District Board of Health by-laws, which makes it necessary for the Board of County Commissioners to approve the appointment of a non-elected Washoe County representative to the District Board of Health. The District Board of Health (DBOH) is a policy-making board composed of seven members, which includes two (2) representatives each from Reno, Sparks and Washoe County, in addition to a physician licensed to practice medicine in Nevada. The District Board of Health, through the Washoe County Health District, has jurisdiction over all public health matters in the Health District. Each member may be re-appointed in the same manner as their original appointment to serve not more than two (2) additional terms.

Department Strategic Objective supported by this item: Insure Operational Effectiveness

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

June 13, 2017- Washoe County Commissioners appointed Tom Young to the Washoe County District Board of Health as the Commission's non-elected member to complete the term of David Silverman from June 13, 2017 to December 31, 2020.

December 13, 2016- Washoe County Commissioners reappointed David Silverman to the Washoe County District Board of Health as the Commission's non-elected member for

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the term commencing on the date of appointment through December 31, 2020.

October 8, 2013- Washoe County Commissioners appointed David Silverman to the Washoe County District Board of Health as the Commission's non-elected member for the term commencing on the date of appointment through December 31, 2016.

December 16, 2008- Washoe County Commissioners reappointed George J. Furman, MD to the Washoe County District Board of Health as the Commission's non-elected member for a four year term serving from December 31, 2008 through December 31, 2012.

### **BACKGROUND**

Per the 1993 Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement concerning the Washoe County Health District, Section 2, Subsection D Article III, Section IV of the District Board of Health by-laws, it is necessary for the Board of County Commissioners to approve the appointment of a non-elected Washoe County representative to the District Board of Health. Members of the District Board of Health serve four-year terms. Each member may be reappointed in the same manner as their original appointment to serve not more than two additional terms.

The following individual has responded with interest in appointment and the application is attached:

Sheryl Bennett

John Klacking

Thomas Young

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the Board of Commissioners.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners appoint one of the applicants (Sheryl Bennett, John Klacking or Thomas Young), to serve as the Washoe County Commission's non-elected member to the District Board of Health for a term from October 20, 2021 to September 30, 2025.

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board of County Commissioners agree to the recommendation, a possible motion would be:

"Move appoint (Sheryl Bennett, John Klacking or Thomas Young) to serve as the Washoe County Commission's non-elected member to the District Board of Health for a term from October 20, 2021 to September 30, 2025."