



HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM

SPECIAL MEETING DATE	November 2 and 3, 2011	ITEM NO. (City Clerk's Office Only)	S-001
SUBJECT	Interviews of prospective City Attorney		
PETITIONER	Human Resources Department		
RECOMMENDATION	Discuss and take appropriate action		

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Impact Budgeted funds available Augmentation required

CMTS Number(s):

Funding Source, Amount, and Account Number(s) to be charged: n/a

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION: The City Council will interview candidates for the vacant City Attorney position. The Human Resources Director has generated a list of seven finalists for the City Council's consideration. On November 2, 2011, the City Council will adjourn to a closed session in accordance with NRS Chapter 241 to interview four finalists. The meeting will recess upon completion of four interviews and reconvene on Thursday, November 3, 2011, 4:30 p.m. Upon completion of all seven interviews, the City Council will reconvene their public meeting to deliberate and consider the "character and professional competence" of the finalists. The City Council may select a candidate and direct the Human Resources Director to finalize, subject to Council ratification, the terms of an offer of employment with the City; direct the Human Resources Director to schedule an additional interview with one or more of the finalists; or take no action at this time.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

I move to select _____ as City Attorney and direct the Human Resources Director to finalize the terms of an offer of employment, subject to Council ratification; to direct the Human Resources Director to schedule an additional interview with one or more of the finalists; or to take no action at this time.

Fred Horvath
Director of Human Resources

Christine Guerri-Nyhus
Interim City Attorney

Mark T. Calhoun, P.E.
City Manager

Richard A. Derrick
Finance Director

Sabrina Mercadante, CMC
City Clerk

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SUBJECT	Mayor and Council - Process to Fill Vacant City Attorney Position
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Staff Contact Name and Number Regarding this Item: Fred Horvath, x 1911 or Sheila Dugan, x1913

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City Clerk
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Suggested Keywords for Document Searches

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>	<u>WORK HISTORY - 1</u>	<u>WORK HISTORY - 2</u>	<u>WORK HISTORY - 3</u>	<u>WORK HISTORY - 4</u>
Assad, George	Univ. of San Diego School of Law -JD 1986/ Emerson College/BS, Communications 1976	Municipal Court Judge City of Las Vegas 2002 - 2011	Attorney/Arbitrator/Judge Pro Tempore George Assad Chartered 7/1996 – 5/2002	Attorney William B. Terry Chartered Las Vegas, NV 1/1990 -10/1995	Deputy District Attorney Clark County DA's Office 12/1986 – 12/1989
Cardinalli, Marc C.	McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, CA-JD 1986; UNR- BS, Journalism 1979	General Counsel Georgia College & State Univ. Milledgeville, GA 2010 – Present	General Counsel Shawnee State University Portsmouth, OH 1/2008 – 3/2010	Assistant General Counsel UNLV 2/1994 – 1/2008	Assistant General Counsel UCCSN 2/1994 – 1/1998 Deputy Attorney General State of Nevada 6/1989 – 2/1994
Guerci-Nyhus, Christine M.	New York Law School-JD 1991/New York Univ.-BA, History/Physics 1983	Interim City Attorney City of Henderson 2011 - Present Senior Asst. City Attorney 2011 - Present Assistant City Attorney II 2010 - 2011	Chief Deputy Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 4/2003 – 1/2010	Attorney Christine Guerci 4/1995 – 9/2001	Counsel Ernst & Young, LLP 6/1990 – 10/1994
Hinckley, Richard L.	Univ. of Utah-JD 1982/Brigham Young University-BA, Political Science/Public Admin. 1978	General Counsel College of Southern Nevada 2007 - Present	General Counsel Public Utilities Commission of Nevada 1/2001 – 12/2006	VP/Chief Counsel & Corporate Secretary Nevada Power 7/1985 – 12/2000	
Kizer, Keith E.	Univ. of Illinois College of Law-JD1991/Valparaiso Univ.-BA, Political Science/History/Economics 1988	Executive Director Office of the Athletic Commission, State of NV 2006 - Present	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Gaming Division Office of the Nevada Attorney General 10/1997 – 5/2006	Associate Attorney Smith & Kotchka, Ltd. 1/1992 – 9/1997	

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Puschnig, Paul "Luke"	California Western School of Law, San Diego- JD1989/UNLV-BS, Business Administration 1982	Legal Counsel LVCVA 1998 – Present	Trial Attorney Raleigh, Hunt & McGarry Las Vegas, NV 4/1997 – 6/1998	Associate and Stockbroker Dickerson, Dickerson, Consul & Pocker 5/1989 – 4/1997	
Reid, Josh M.	Univ. of Arizona School of Law-JD 2000/Yale Univ.- MA, Environ. Science 1997	Shareholder Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck 2008 - Present	Attorney/Shareholder Parsons Behle & Latimer 9/2003 – 3/2008	Associate Attorney Lionel Sawyer & Collins 9/2001 - 10/2003	