

## CARSON CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

"Service with Pride. Commitment. Compassion"

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Hope Sullivan, Planning Director Carson City Planning Division Carson City Planning Commission 108 E. Proctor St. Carson City, NV 89703

Dear Hope and Commission Members,

The fire department does not oppose population growth, residential, and commercial development in Carson City. As new buildings are built and population grows so will the demand for Emergency Medical, Fire, and Rescue services to our great community. Recently the city has taken great strides in addressing the anticipated increase in service demand by budgeting and approving the addition of our fourth fire station. The station is tentatively scheduled to break ground this winter. The station will be located on the north east side of town and will improve service delivery to that area and will improve our system reliability as a whole.

As Carson City grows the city should consider proactive solutions such as a mandatory fire sprinkler ordinance. Fire sprinklers have proven to reduce the impact of fires. The civilian death rate in homes with fire sprinklers was 89% lower than those without sprinklers. In building fires where the fire sprinkler system was activated, they were effective in controlling 96% of those fires. Not only do fire sprinklers save lives and reduce the destruction caused by fire they also reduce the impact and time commitment needed for firefighters to control hostile fires.

Sincerely,

Sean P Slamon

Fire Chief