

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Community Planning

DATE: April 18, 2017

REQUESTED ACTION: Community Planning is requesting council approval to establish a Clark County Schools Advisory Council

Consent Hearing County Manager

BACKGROUND

In 2006, the county created the Quality Schools Advisory Committee at the request of the school districts. The districts requested that school issues inform the 2007 Comprehensive Growth Management Plan periodic update in four areas: quality education, impacts of growth and development, quality facilities and proactively respond to growth. The task force prepared the School Element that was subsequently adopted in the 2007. Following the adoption of the school element, the group changed its name to the Quality Schools Advisory Committee and most of the original members dropped off. The new group continued to meet until mid-2011.

County Council held a work session on February 22, 2016 at the request of county schools to discuss the need for an advisory committee focusing on school issues. Following the work session, Community Planning developed a series of options for council review at the April 5 and 12 council board time meeting. Exhibit 1 outlines the most recent proposal to establish the Clark County Schools Advisory Council and its purpose and charge.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This request does not involve a change in council policy.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This request does not involve a change in council policy.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

YES	NO	
Yes		Action falls within existing budget capacity.
		Action falls within existing budget capacity but requires a change of purpose within existing appropriation
		Additional budget capacity is necessary and will be requested at the next supplemental. If YES, please complete the budget impact statement. If YES, this action will be referred to the county council with a recommendation from the county manager.

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BUDGET DETAILS

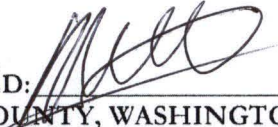
Local Fund Dollar Amount	
Grant Fund Dollar Amount	
Account	General fund
Company Name	

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APPROVED: 
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS

DATE: April 25, 2017

SR# SR 085-17



APPROVED: _____
Mark McCauley, County Manager

DATE: _____

BUDGET IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information

Part II: Estimated Revenues - None

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Part III: Estimated Expenditures - None

III. A – Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-

III. B – Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contractual	-	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other controllables	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlays	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inter-fund Transfers						
Debt Service						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

Exhibit 1

Clark County Schools Advisory Council

Purpose and Charge

Purpose

The County Council is spearheading a countywide Clark County Schools Advisory Council (SAC) to help the community develop a common understanding of Clark County school issues; recommend policy and legislative initiatives; and foster excellent learning opportunities.

Charge

Role: SAC would represent a wide range of interests.

- Members would work to understand, discuss, and seek consensus on regional school issues.
- Develop recommendations and identify an implementation strategy.
- Members would be liaisons between constituents and the schools, representing the community as a whole.
- Develop recommendations that reflect a broad and balanced range of community needs, interests, expectations and perspectives.

Level of involvement: Given the nature of an issue and specific public process for its resolution, the group's role will vary. Potential roles may be to:

- Regularly receive information and offer comments and thoughts;
- Receive briefings and give recommendations;
- Have members attend advisory groups on specific issues and report to the County Council for action;
- Serve as the lead stakeholder group to review options and build community consensus on school issues; and
- Relevant issues identified by County Council.

Initial Issues:

- Growth Management (Community Framework Policies/Countywide Planning Policies, 20-Year Comprehensive Growth Plan Schools Element)
- Mental Health
- Public Health
- Affordable Housing/Homeless Kids

Membership: The County Council suggests the SAC be structured as follows:

County Council	2	Chair and one councilor
K-12 schools	9	School board members or Superintendents
Higher education	1	WSU Vancouver, Clark College
Neighborhood association	2	One from Vancouver, one from NACCC
Economic development	1	Columbia River Economic Development Council
Early learning	1	
County Services	1	(Public Health, Juvenile Justice, Community Services)
Total	17	

Note: Each member would appoint a voting alternate.

Meetings: Initially, the SAC would meet every other month to establish its protocols, list of issues and schedule. The longer-term goal would be to meet quarterly. All meetings will be open to the public.