NINE STEP PLANNER
CLARK COUNTY WORK SESSIONS

This form must be reviewed & approved by the Council before a work session is scheduled.

REQUESTED BY: Clark County Public Health, Healthy Communities Division is requesting to present work session material to the County Council.

1. **TOPIC:** Youth Gun Violence Prevention

2. **NAMES OF STAFF PRESENTING/ATTENDING:**
   Christine Simonsmeier – Christine.simonsmeier@clark.wa.gov
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   Tentative:
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3. **TIME FRAME**
   Length of time needed for staff presentation: 20-25min depending on Q+A
   Desired date: We have flexibility – October/November
   Scheduled date:

4. **TIMING CONSIDERATIONS:**
   Councilor Yung expressed concerns about the increased reports of youth gun violence in the local media and requested information describing the problem (do we have a problem, how do we know), as well as discussing CCC's role, and determining collective strategies to solve the problem.

5. **DESIRED RESULTS:**
   Council members engage in dialogue with county departments and local community partners to gain understanding of the roles (including Council's role), opportunities, and evidence-based strategies that we can use engage in collective gun violence prevention efforts.

6. **IMPACTS (COMMUNITY/FINANCIAL/STAFF/OTHER):**
   Youth gun violence, including self-inflicted injuries and fatalities, as well as accidental and intentional firearm injuries and fatalities occurring at the hands of another person, are a threat to our community - impacting the health, well-being, and prosperity of Clark County residents.

7. **POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**
   TBD

8. **ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED:**
   Future discussion options for Council may include additional prioritization criteria for infrastructure investments, department/program investments, or municipal partnership

9. **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**
   Request Council deliberate and determine next steps after the review of community data and hearing from presenting departments/community partners. Examples of potential actions could include a request from Council to implement an ad-hoc, multi-disciplinary committee to determine collective prevention priorities and develop a shared action plan or request a series of Council-specific list of prioritization criteria, strategies and primary prevention opportunities for review and consideration.

Name of requestor:

Andrea Pruett DATE: September 4, 2026

APPROVED FOR SCHEDULING: