

Commission Support Team

• Organization of Citizen Advisory Boards (CABs)

- Liaisons for agenda topics/suggestions
- Provide updates on development projects within each community
- Connect with and invite subject matter experts for a more robust discussion
- Here to better understand community concerns, brainstorm solutions with residents, and work with County Commissioners and staff to implement reasonable solutions



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Two-Track System

Two main platforms for providing community feedback on issues in your neighborhood

- Track #1:
 - CAB Meetings, facilitated by the County, addressing community-wide issues
 - Ex. abandoned vehicles, speeding, wild horses, water conservation, short-term rentals, etc.
- Track #2:
 - Neighborhood Development Meetings, facilitated by Developers, specific to development projects
 - Community discussions to allow residents to voice questions/concerns directly with the developers.

With the new two-track system, the concerns and suggestions of each neighborhood can be heard and addressed, both relating to community growth *and* other topics of interest.





Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) Meetings

This structure allows County Staff to work with CAB leadership to identify issues unique to each community and create agendas based on topics of interest.

CAB Meetings will:

- Occur regularly, at a frequency decided upon by the CAB and County
- Attendance: In-person, online, or hybrid model
- Adhere to open meeting law no surprise topics and mindful of everyone's time
- Invite community to provide input on a variety of topics and hear from the experts on these concerns
 - Including the Washoe County Community Services Department (CSD), that oversees development, to share updates on projects that were discussed at the Neighborhood Development Meetings





Neighborhood Development Meetings

Neighborhood Development Meetings are <u>required</u> by the County as an opportunity for developers to present their proposal and solicit input from the surrounding community BEFORE a formal application is submitted to the County.

- This model is in direct response to the concern that by the time CABs heard proposals, it was too late within the process to engage the developer with feedback
- No open meeting law more than 3 minutes for an open dialogue between developers and citizens
- Allows promises to the community to be captured as conditions of approval

Your voice can still be heard, in an open forum for true two-way communication!





Thank you!



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