

STAFF REPORT

Date: May 8, 2024

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Doug Thornley, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Discussion and potential joint appointment (with the City of Sparks) of one Trustee to represent the owners of the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (TMWRF) on the Board of Trustees of the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) from the following pool of applicants, listed in alphabetical order: Donald Abbott, Paul Anderson, Jenny Brekhus, Charlene Bybee, Kristopher Dahir, Naomi Duerr, Meghan Ebert, Ed Lawson, Miguel Martinez, Devon Reese, Hillary Schieve, Kathleen Taylor, or Dian VanderWell.

From: Mikki Huntsman, City Clerk

Department: City Clerk

Summary:

In accordance with the Special Act creating the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC), the owners of the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (TMWRF) (Reno and Sparks) shall jointly appoint one Trustee to serve on the WRWC Board.

City of Sparks Councilmember Donald Abbott previously served as the elected official representing the owners of TMWRF. Councilmember Abbott's appointment expired on March 31, 2024.

The TMWRF Joint Coordinating Committee voted to recommend Reno City Councilmember Miguel Martinez for appointment on the WRWC Board. Councilmember Martinez's appointment requires both the City of Reno and the City of Sparks' confirmation.

The term of appointment is for the period from April 1, 2024, through March 30, 2026.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Not Applicable

Previous Council Action:

There is no recent Council action relevant to this item.

Background:

The City of Sparks and the City of Reno have agreed to rotate the TMWRF representative on the WRWC biennially between the two cities. The City of Sparks will also need to make their recommendation for the joint appointee; this is anticipated to occur at an upcoming meeting. Appointment/reappointment is to be made from the above-listed pool of applicants from the City of Reno and the City of Sparks.

Financial Implications:

None at this time.

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council make the necessary appointment as noted in the staff report.

Proposed Motion:

I move to appoint Councilmember _____ to represent the owners of the TMWRF on the Board of the WRWC.

Attachments: