

NYE COUNTY AGENDA INFORMATION FORM

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Department: Northern Nye County Hospital District		Agenda Date:	
Category: Regular Agenda Item		July 16, 2019	
Contact: Russell Pillers		Phone: 775-751-7075	Continued from meeting of:
Return to:	Location:	Phone:	
Action requested: (Include what, with whom, when, where, why, how much (\$) and terms) <p>Discussion, deliberation and direction to staff to consider a request by the Northern Nye County Hospital District (NNCHD) to transfer Nye County owned property, more specifically identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 008-261-44, Nye Regional Medical Center (NRMC) 825 S. Main Street in Tonopah, Nevada, to the NNCHD, a governmental agency.</p>			
Complete description of requested action: (Include, if applicable, background, impact, long-term commitment, existing county policy, future goals, obtained by competitive bid, accountability measures) <p>The NNCHD approved at its May 28, 2019 meeting a Forward Strategy Document which outlines the planned strategy by the NNCHD as to the utilization of the NRMC hospital compound in NNCHD's efforts to improve healthcare in Northern Nye County.</p>			
Any information provided after the agenda is published or during the meeting of the Commissioners will require you to provide 20 copies: one for each Commissioner, one for the Clerk, one for the District Attorney, one for the Public and two for the County Manager. Contracts or documents requiring signature must be submitted with three original copies.			
Expenditure Impact by FY(s): (Provide detail on Financial Form) <p style="text-align: right;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No financial impact</p>			

Routing & Approval (Sign & Date)

1. Dept	Date	6.	Date
2.	Date	7. HR	Date
3.	Date	8. Legal	Date
4.	Date	9. Finance	Date
5.	Date	10. County Manager	Date

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28 May 2019

Forward Strategy regarding Nye Regional Medical Center

The following document outlines the planned strategy by Northern Nye County Hospital District (NNCHD) as to the utilization of the Nye Regional Medical Center (NRMC) hospital compound in NNCHD's efforts to improve healthcare in Northern Nye County.

BACKGROUND

The Nye Regional Medical Center (NRMC) was a 44-bed facility providing general inpatient care, emergency room, pharmacy, and outpatient clinic services. After several years of financial struggles, the hospital filed bankruptcy in 2013. The United States Trustee appointed two CEOs in succession who implemented various measures to keep NRMC open. Despite some improvements, these efforts were ultimately unsuccessful and, unfortunately, NRMC was closed in August 2015.



Figure 1 Parcel representing Nye Regional Medical Center

For the purpose of this document, the property known as Nye Regional Medical Center is the entirety of the 'campus' located at 825 South Main Street Tonopah, Nevada (Parcel 008-261-56) and all assets included therein. See Figure 1.
(Legal - T2N R42E S1 F#852136 P.1A 6.53AC)

Ownership of all property and assets of the Nye Regional Medical Center were transferred from 'Tuna Park LTD' to Nye County in 2015. Currently, Nye County is providing that maintenance and utilities are continued to avoid the facility falling into any greater level of disrepair.

On July 2, 2018, Nye Communities Coalition (NyECC) submitted a proposal to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) with a two-pronged set of goals. NyECC was given the Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training (CFTAT) grant by USDA in October 2018. One track is focused on assisting the community of Duckwater, NV in improving irrigation systems while the second track, called the Northern Nye Healthcare Initiative (NNHI), is to support the improvement of healthcare in Northern Nye County. A final deliverable to USDA will be a 'Pre-Feasibility Study' that contains a Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR) regarding NRMC.

In December 2018, NNCHD put a service contract in place with Impact Assessment and Evaluation Services to complete a Comprehensive Health Needs Assessment to identify the current gaps in healthcare for the NNCHD service area as well as the Tonopah 'catchment' area. The draft of that assessment was presented at the 28 May 2019

NORTHERN NYE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

The Northern Nye County Hospital District was created in May 2015 under the provisions of state law NRS 450.550 and including NRS 450.760 through Nye County Resolution No. 2015-17. The bylaws of NNCHD state their sole purpose as:

The purpose of the District is to facilitate the provision of accessible health care services to the residents of and visitors to Northern Nye County. The Board of Trustees recognizes that the delivery of health care services is a dynamic process, and the District must utilize its limited available financial resources in the best and most efficient manner possible. (Source: nyecounty.net)

GENERAL STRATEGY

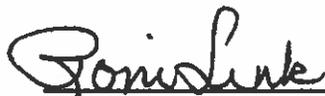
If ownership of NRMC is transferred to NNCHD, efforts will immediately begin to determine how NRMC can best be utilized to improve healthcare in Northern Nye County. Overarching steps following transfer are envisioned to be:

1. Transfer or re-create lease with Renown for utilization of NRMC space for virtual clinic operations.
2. Ensure transition of maintenance and utility operation is done such that condition of facility is continued exactly in its current state.
3. Complete work to modify ambulance barn located on hospital campus to accommodate living quarters for Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority's Community Paramedics and the enclosed parking for their Quick Response Vehicle, pursuant to existing professional services agreement in place between Nye County and Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority.
4. Compose and publish a Request for Quote (RFQ) for the purpose of having a complete Facility Condition Assessment (FCA) done. (Preliminary Architectural Report in USDA terms).
 - a. FCA will be performed to address the issues captured in the Comprehensive Health Needs Assessment.

5. Upon completion of FCA, the documents required to complete the Pre-Feasibility Study for the USDA CFTAT grant will be finalized.
6. Based on the results of the FCA, a Working Group will be assembled to determine how to move forward with the facility.
7. Contents and assets currently existing in the NRMC will be evaluated for salvage or sale, pursuant to any applicable NRS.
8. Contents and assets will be dispensed of based on evaluation.
9. Based on recommendation from Working Group, either a remodel or rebuild effort will be pursued.
 - a. If FCA indicates that re-modeling NRMC is best option, efforts will begin to orchestrate that action.
 - i. Secure funding.
 1. Investigate USDA funding.
 2. Investigate DoD funding.
 - ii. Solicit design/build proposals taking into account any HAZMAT or Brownfields conditions
 - iii. Execute remodel
 - b. If FCA indicates that a complete re-build is best option, efforts will begin to orchestrate that action.
 - i. Secure funding.
 1. Investigate USDA funding.
 2. Investigate DoD funding.
 - ii. Solicit proposals for deconstruction effort
 - iii. Facilitate the removal of old facility while ensuring HAZMAT or Brownfields issues are maintained according to appropriate standards.
 - iv. Solicit proposals for design/build project
 - v. Execute re-build project
10. Prior to completion of remodel or rebuild effort, proposals will be solicited for Operations Contract.
11. Operations Services contract will be put into place between NNCHD and selected Operations Service company.

By the signature affixed below, Northern Nye County Hospital District asserts that every effort will be expended to pursue the above strategy to utilize the Nye Regional Medical Center. In the case of unforeseen circumstances that dictate the above strategy cannot be followed, the high-level goal of utilizing the NRMC property to improve healthcare in Northern Nye County will be pursued.

Signed:



Roni Link – Northern Nye County Hospital District Chairman

5/28/19

Date