

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: April 18, 2016

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3A

STAFF: Ann Bollinger, Open Space Administrator

REQUEST: **For Possible Action:** To recognize Howard Riedl for his service to the Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee and the Carson City Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department since 2003.

GENERAL DISCUSSION: Howard has served the Committee since 2003. Howard started his tenure with the Committee when the Open Space Program owned/managed just 44 acres and had one full-time employee. As a result of Howard's participation and leadership, the Open Space Program now owns/manages more than 6,800 acres and has three full-time staff and two part-time staff. He participated in some very significant achievements including two conservation easements; The Charrette: Creating a Community Vision - Silver Saddle Ranch and the Carson River, the acquisition of federal lands through the Lands Bill; the Management Plan for Carson City Open Space and Parks in the Carson River Area; and the growth of trails and pathways in Carson City such as the Mexican Ditch Trail Bridges, Eagle Valley Creek Bridge, and the Ash to Kings Trail. Throughout his service on the Committee, Howard has been a great leader, friend and supporter of open space.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: I move to recognize Howard Riedl for his service to the Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee and the Carson City Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department since 2003.