

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: August 15, 2016

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3C

STAFF: Ann Bollinger, Open Space Administrator

REQUEST: **For Possible Action:** Recognize Toby Welborn for his service to the Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee and the Carson City Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department from 2013 to 2016.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Toby has served on the Committee since 2013. One of the agenda items at his first meeting and the first acquisition under his tenure was the purchase of 21 acres owned by the Potter Family located at the base of C-Hill. Within his first year, the Committee also passed the resolution for the official naming of open space properties and subsequently, four properties received official names in that year: Carson River Canyon Open Space, Morgan Mill Preserve Open Space, Golden Eagle Open Space, and Mexican Dam Open Space.

Toby joined the Committee during the beginnings of the award-winning Ash to Kings Trail and spent many hours building the trail. Not only has he continued with maintenance on the Ash to Kings Trail and other trails throughout Carson City, but he is a crew leader with Muscle Powered and helps to supervise volunteer efforts. With his GIS skills, Toby has provided extremely valuable knowledge and expertise on several projects. He has assisted staff with trail evaluations and recommendations on the Prison Hill Recreation Area and has developed materials for submittal to the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office, in compliance with the BLM Programmatic Agreement for the area. Additionally, he spent many hours with the Eagle Valley Trails Committee on the trails inventory throughout Carson City and map development.

Staff wishes him all the best on his re-location to Portland, Oregon.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: I move to recognize Toby Welborn for his service to the Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee and the Carson City Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department from 2013 to 2016.