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A meeting of the Carson City Board of Health was held during the regularly scheduled Carson City Board of Supervisors meeting on Thursday, December 2, 2021, in the Community Center Robert "Bob" Crowell Boardroom, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT:

Chairperson Dr. Colleen Lyons
Member Lori Bagwell
Member Ken Furlong
Member Stan Jones
Member Lisa Schuette
Member Maurice White

STAFF:

Nancy Paulson, City Manager
Stephanie Hicks, Deputy City Manager
Dan Yu, Assistant District Attorney
Tamar Warren, Senior Public Meetings Clerk

NOTE: A recording of these proceedings, the board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the Clerk during the meeting are part of the public record. These materials are on file in the Clerk's Office, and available for review during regular business hours.

19. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - BOARD OF HEALTH

(9:16:35) – Chairperson Lyons called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Vice Chair Giomi was absent.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT

(9:16:54) – Chairperson Lyons entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

21. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES - OCTOBER 7, 2021

(9:17:14) – Chairperson Lyons entertained comments/questions and when none were forthcoming, a motion.

(9:17:20) – Member Bagwell moved to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Jones and carried 6-0-0.

22. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

22.A FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF THE CARSON CITY HEALTH OFFICER.

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(9:17:45) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item and noted that her report had been generated on time; however, it was included in the agenda packet as late material. She also presented the agenda materials, as well as responded to clarifying questions. Member Schuette expressed concern regarding the daily average of 25 hospitalizations for COVID-19 in the past month. Chairperson Lyons entertained a motion.

(9:35:39) – Member Jones moved to accept the Health Officer’s report as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Schuette.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Member Jones
SECONDER:	Member Schuette
AYES:	Members Bagwell, Furlong, Jones, Schuette, White, and Chair Lyons
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Vice Chair Giomi

22.B FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION ON THE COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS AND ROADMAPS, ALONG WITH STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY HEALTH BY JOHN PACKHAM, PHD; ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR THE OFFICE OF STATEWIDE INITIATIVES; UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.

(9:35:54) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item and the presenter, John Packham, PhD, Associate Dean of the Office of Statewide Initiatives (OSI) at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine. Carson City Health and Human Services Director Nicki Aaker thanked Dr. Packham for attending virtually while on vacation. Dr. Packham reviewed a PowerPoint presentation titled the 2021 Nevada County Health Rankings and Roadmaps, incorporated into the record, and responded to clarifying questions. Member Schuette thanked Dr. Peckham for his report and read the following into the record: *“Access to secure and affordable housing, safe neighborhoods, good paying jobs, and quality early childhood education are examples of important factors that can put people on a path to a healthier life. But access to these opportunities often look different based on where you live, color of your skin, or the circumstances you were born into.”* Member Bagwell inquired about distinct policies for this Board to work on and Dr. Peckham recommended focusing on prevention/cessation of smoking among young people.

(10:17:20) – Ms. Aaker noted that vaping issues should also be coupled with smoking and emphasized the statewide collaborative campaigns, which she would present in her upcoming report, and highlighted a smoke-free environment discussion with an apartment complex management. Discussion ensued regarding tobacco enforcement and Member Furlong confirmed that it was done by the Attorney General’s Office and not performed by the Carson City Sheriff’s Office (CCSO). Ms. Aaker confirmed that the CCHHS tobacco prevention staff was working on

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merchant education. Chairperson Lyons explains that a community needs assessment was planned to prioritize future policy decisions. Ms. Aaker suggested that community members review the reports incorporated into the agenda materials as well. She also thanked Dr. Peckham for his time.

22.C FOR DISCUSSION ONLY: DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION REGARDING HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES ("HIAP"), BY SYDNEY GAMER, MPH CANDIDATE.

(10:32:21) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item and Sydney Gamer, a Master's [degree] in Public Health (MPH) candidate at University of Nevada Reno (UNR). Ms. Gamer gave background on a November 16, 2021 focus group held with CCHHS Division Managers, Director and Carson City's Health Officer and a November 22, 2021 focus group held with representatives from Carson City government agencies. She also reviewed a PowerPoint presentation titled Health in All Policies (HiAP) on "how adding health considerations within policy areas can positively impact the health of all of the community members." She also responded to clarifying questions. Member Bagwell recommended adding a "health rationale" section to each agenda item, if applicable, to understand which health indicator the item will support. She believed this could help businesses enforce the policies such as not serving alcohol, etc.

22.D FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE USE BY CARSON CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF OF THE HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES ("HIAP") APPROACH AS A STRATEGY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE HEALTH OF ALL CARSON CITY RESIDENTS.

(11:05:40) – Chairperson Lyons entertained a motion based on the above discussion during item 22.C.

(11:05:49) – Member Bagwell moved to approve the use of the strategy, as discussed on the record today during item 22.C. The motion was seconded by Member Schuette.

RESULT:	APPROVED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Member Bagwell
SECONDER:	Member Schuette
AYES:	Members Bagwell, Furlong, Jones, Schuette, White, and Chair Lyons
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	Vice Chair Giomi

22.E FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF NICKI AAKER, DIRECTOR OF THE CARSON CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ("CCHHS").

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(11:06:12) – Chairperson Lyons introduced the item. Ms. Aaker thanked the Board for their previous action (item 22.D) and thanked the FEMA members who had assisted CCHHS during the COVID-19 pandemic. She also presented her report which is incorporated into the record. She highlighted the latest COVID testing and vaccination information and noted that between November 14, 2021 and November 27, 2021 Carson City had 186 confirmed cases (30 percent of all Quad-County cases); however, that number reflected a 15 percent decrease from the previous two weeks, and represented 13 new cases each day. Ms. Aaker explained that they had 17 case investigations within the Carson City School District and that 71 percent of students had attended school while infected. She noted that community exposure was at 57 percent and household exposure was at 19 percent. According to Ms. Aaker, 53 percent of the City's population was fully vaccinated and that the breakthrough cases were at 44 percent. She added that the Monoclonal Antibodies Treatment was available for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals and stressed that drugstore COVID rapid tests could not be used for travel.

Ms. Aaker also highlighted the following items from her report, incorporated into the record: Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion; Tobacco Control and Prevention; Environmental Health; Public Health Preparedness; Epidemiology; budget; training; accreditation; Sexual Assault Response Team; and WIC. Discussion ensued regarding affordable housing, and Member Bagwell clarified that she along with Member Schuette attend the Affordable Housing meetings; however, should any Board member wish to attend, she would give up her attendance to ensure compliance with the Open Meeting Law and to not have a quorum at the meetings.

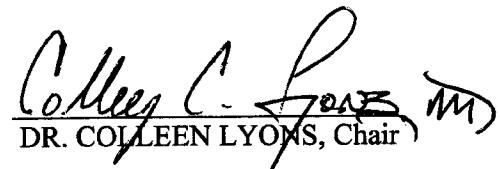
23. Public Comment

(11:33:34) – Chairperson Lyons entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

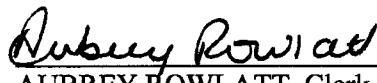
24. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO ADJOURN AS THE BOARD OF HEALTH

(11:33:55) – Chairperson Lyons adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

The Minutes of the December 2, 2021 Carson City Board of Health meeting are so approved this 3rd day of March, 2022.


DR. COLEEN LYONS, Chair

ATTEST:


AUBREY ROWLATT, Clerk – Recorder