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To: State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

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RE: Update on Land Use Planning Bills and Other Policy Issues from the 82nd

Session of the Nevada Legislature

Background

Staff has been monitoring legislation during the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature that began on February 6th and will run till June 5th. Staff has been tracking proposed bills and other policy matters being discussed at the Legislature related to land use planning, zoning, and natural resource issues. The Agency would like to extend its appreciation to Marco Velotta of the City of Las Vegas and Professional Development Officer for the Nevada Association of the American Planning Association (APA). The Agency is closely coordinating its bill tracking efforts this session again with the APA and DCNR leadership to keep a list of bills that are of interest to the Agency. A copy of the Agency's BDR list is attached to this memo.

At the meeting staff will provide the Council broad overview of the following land use planning related bills for the Council.

Bill #	Sponsor	Summary	Topic	Status
AB 10	City of Las Vegas	Authorizes the designation of a tax increment area for certain transportation and housing reinvestment purposes.	Housing / Transportation	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 71	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural	Creates 2023-2024 interim study relating to environmental justice.	Creates a working group to review environmental justice issues	Passed Committee to Assembly Floor.

	Resources (NRS 218E.320)			
AB 131	Assemblywoman Cohen	Revises provisions governing urban forestry.	Environment	Passed Assembly. In Seante Natural Resources.
AB 213	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing residential zoning.	Land Use	In Assembly Commerce and Labor. Hearing Held.
AB 220	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water conservation.	Water	In Assembly Natural Resources. Hearing Held.
AB 312	Assemblywoman Sarah Peters	Revises provisions governing environmental justice. Stand up an EJ committee to establish EJ metrics which would be used to conduct EJ Impact Assessment on regulations – similar to the small business impact assessments currently required by law.	Environment	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AB 314	Assemblywoman Gallant	Revises provisions governing local government licensure and regulation of home- based businesses.	Business	In Assembly Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
AJR 3	Assemblywoman Peters	AJR: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution relating to the protection of certain environmental rights.	Constitutional amendment known as the Green Amendment to enshrine protections of natural resources in the constitution.	In Assembly Legislative Operations and Elections. Hearing Held.

SB 18	City of Fernley	Revises provisions governing meetings of planning commissions in certain counties.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 19	Clark County	Revises provisions relating to the creation of unincorporated towns.	Government Administration	Passed Committee to Senate Floor.
SB 33	Cannabis Compliance Board	Revises various provisions relating to cannabis.	Alcohol / Marijuana	In Senate Commerce and Labor.
SB 81	Senator Daly	Revises provisions governing regional planning.	Zoning / Land Use	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 92	Senator Donate	Revises provisions relating to street food vending.	Business	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 169	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions governing master plans adopted by certain local governments.	Environment	Passed Committee. To Senate Floor.
SB 247	Senate Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions relating to regional planning in Southern Nevada.	Land Use	In Senate Government Affairs. Hearing Held.
SB 421	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions relating to energy; revises tax abatements, IRP, and requires interim study on renewable energy.	Energy	In Senate Growth and Infrastructure.
SB 432	Senator Seevers Gansert	Revises provisions relating to economic development. Creates the account to Mitigate the Regional Impacts of Economic Development.	Economic Development	In Senate Revenue and Economic Development.

877	Senator	Makes various	Zoning / Land	Withdrawn
	Spearman	changes relating to	Use	
		planning and zoning.		

Following staff's overview of these land use planning bills, members of the Council are encouraged to share other bills or policy matters with the rest of the Council. The Council may also engage in discussion on other issues and share any insight on potential impacts from proposed legislation. Following the discussion, the Council if desired, is authorized to take a formal position on any proposed legislation being considered during the legislative session.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Council review the information provided and have a discussion on legislation and other policy matters during the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislation.