

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Clark County Board of Commissioners is authorized pursuant to NRS 4.150 to appoint an individual to fill a vacancy that occurs in the office of Justice of the Peace; and

WHEREAS, the selected individual must meet the qualifications set forth in NRS 4.010 for Justices of the Peace and additionally, if the vacancy occurs in a township whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, and Henderson), the selected individual must be a licensed attorney; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that only the most qualified persons are considered for appointment to the vacant position, on July 16, 2002, the Clark County Board of County Commissioners provided for the creation of a Justice of the Peace Nominating Committee to make a recommendation to the Board when a vacancy occurs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners modified how the membership of a Nominating Committee would be determined by adopting an amendatory resolution on May 20, 2008; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners adopted a Resolution modifying the procedure for determining the membership of a Nominating Committee and the process under which the Nominating Committee shall function which repealed and replaced all prior resolutions concerning the Justice of the Peace Nominating Committee; and,

WHEREAS, it is the further intent of the Board of County Commissioners to amend and restate the June 16, 2015 Resolution concerning the Justice of the Peace Nominating Committee to permit the Board to waive the appointment of a Nominating Committee, or any procedures set forth by the Resolution, when an incumbent Justice of the Peace vacates the department after the election of his or her successor, but prior to the start of the elected successor's term, in order to appoint the elected successor to fill the vacancy;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners do hereby amend and restate the June 16, 2015 Resolution to read as follows:

1. When one or more vacancies occur in the office of Justice of the Peace, the County Manager shall notify the Board of County

Commissioners that a Justice of the Peace Nominating Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", will be appointed to screen qualified applicants and recommend nominees to fill the vacancy or vacancies.

2. A Committee shall consist of eight members with seven members appointed by the County Manager and the eighth member being the Chief Justice of the Nevada Supreme Court who will sit as the non-voting Chair of the Committee. Each member appointed to the Committee must be a licensed attorney who has practiced law for at least 5 years prior to appointment.
3. Each member of the Board of County Commissioners may submit to the County Manager the names of up to three qualified attorneys to be considered for appointment to the Committee. The County Manager shall consider the names submitted by the Board but shall not be limited to those names in appointing the seven voting members of the Committee. The County Manager shall, to the extent practicable, balance the membership of the Committee on the basis of race, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin or ancestry.
4. Except as otherwise provided in this resolution, the Committee shall operate under the version of the rules of the Nevada Commission on Judicial Selection created pursuant to Article 6, Section 20 of the Nevada State Constitution in effect at the time the Committee is appointed. Staff of the County Manager's Office or the Department of Administrative Services shall assist the Committee in the performance of its functions.
5. During the period between the appointment of the Committee by the County Manager and the submittal of the Committee's recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners, communication between an applicant or an individual on behalf of the applicant and a member of the Committee or between an applicant or an individual on behalf of the applicant and a member of the Board regarding the application is prohibited. A violation of this prohibition may result in the individual's application receiving no further consideration by the Committee or the Board.
6. The Committee shall recommend up to three applicants to the Board of County Commissioners as nominees to fill the Justice of the Peace vacancy. If more than one vacancy exists, the Committee shall

recommend a combined list of up to three nominees multiplied by the total number of vacancies. The Board may fill all vacancies from the combined list. In establishing the list of nominees, the Committee shall not rank the nominees nor designate nominees for any particular vacancy; however, the Committee shall provide the Board with the positive factors and qualities for each nominee along with the negative factors and qualities, if any.

7. Following the submission of the recommendation of nominees to the Board, the Committee shall be dissolved.
8. When an incumbent Justice of the Peace vacates the judicial department after the election of his or her successor but prior to the start of the elected successor's term, the Board may waive the appointment of a Committee, or any procedures set forth in this Resolution, and appoint the elected successor to fill the vacancy.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 21st day of July, 2026.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF CLARK**

By: _____
MICHAEL NAFT, Chair

ATTEST:

LYNN MARIE GOYA, County Clerk