

**NINE STEP PLANNER
BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS WORK SESSIONS**

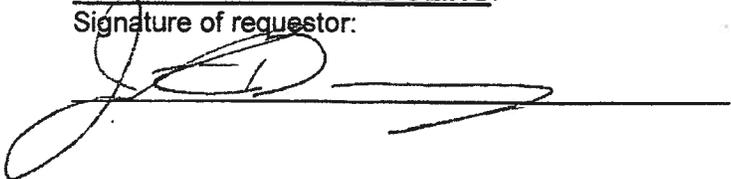
This form needs to be reviewed and approved by the board **before** a work session is scheduled.

REQUESTED BY: Marty Snell, Community Development Director & Jon Dunaway, Fire Marshal

1. **TOPIC:** Fire and Life Safety Inspection Program for Business Occupancies
2. **WORK SESSION:**
Marty Snell, Community Development Director
Jon Dunaway, Fire Marshal
3. **TIME FRAME:**
LENGTH OF TIME NEEDED: 60 minutes
DESIRED DATE: June 8th, 2016
SCHEDULED DATE OF WORK SESSION: _____
4. **TIMING CONSIDERATIONS:** This is a follow-up work session to provide additional information requested by the Council during the March 9th work session.
5. **DESIRED RESULTS:** Inform the Council on issues brought forward during the March 9th work session, including:
 - a. For inspection programs in other jurisdictions, at what level are these employees trained and paid?
 - b. Are we aware of any private inspection companies that could do this body of work?
 - c. Potential funding levels for the program and fee methodologies.
 - d. Insurance premium impacts
6. **IMPACTS (COMMUNITY/FINANCIAL/STAFF/OTHER):** The goal of an enhanced inspection program is to improve the fire and life safety conditions of businesses frequented by the general public. The current inspection program does not inspect up to 75% of the county's commercial buildings, raising concerns that crucial safety systems are not being maintained and basic fire prevention practices are not in place. There are also impacts to fire district ratings, resulting in potential insurance premium increases for homes and businesses.
7. **POLICY IMPLICATIONS:** Placing ALL businesses throughout Clark County on a regular and predictable inspection cycle (every 1, 2, or 3 years), taking a risk-based approach based on the hazards present in each particular business.
8. **ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED:** A change to the current inspection program would be needed, along with staffing and budgetary increases. Any combination of fees, new or slightly increased, to more General Fund support would need to be considered.
9. **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** With the information provided above, staff will be asking the Board to consider making these changes to the inspection program, direction for funding the enhanced program, and a time frame in which to complete the changes.

APPROVED FOR SCHEDULING:

Signature of requestor:



DATE: 4-12-16