NINE STEP PLANNER CLARK COUNTY WORK SESSIONS

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

REQUESTED BY: Clark Conservation District's Board of Supervisors

- 1. <u>TOPIC</u>: Clark Conservation District's Rates and Charges
- 2. WORK SESSION:

Marlia Jenkins, Shawn Henessee, Emily Sheldrick, Kevin Tyler, Mark Gassaway, Alishia Topper, Jane Kleiner, Chuck Harman, Bob Pool

3. TIME FRAME:

LENGTH OF TIME NEEDED: 1 hour	
DESIRED DATE: August	
SCHEDULED DATE OF WORK SESSION:	

- 4. <u>TIMING CONSIDERATIONS</u>: Why now? Clark Conservation District will, by August 1, will have completed its process as required by RCW 98.08.405 and submit a system of rates and charges for approval. The system of rates and charges and proposal must be voted on by the mid-December, 2018.
- **DESIRED RESULTS**: What is being asked of the council? RCW 89.08.405 requires the "county legislative authority" to review the system of rates and charges. Clark Conservation District asks the Council to review the documents it will provide and ask any questions they may have.
- 6. IMPACTS (COMMUNITY/FINANCIAL/STAFF/OTHER): Why should the council hear about this? The availability of non-regulatory, incentive-based conservation assistance to all Clark County landowners will be substantially improved if this local funding sources is approved. The funding source CCD is working with the Council to approve is the only way to fund local conservation priorities. Nearly every other funding source, usually not local, is tied to the priorities of the funding agency.
- **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**: Are there implications for county or department policy; if so, what? There are no implications for County or department policy. CCD intends to work with all partners, including the Clark County, to leverage their work.
- 8. <u>ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED</u>: What should the council be aware of? Is there some disagreement or controversy? What are the options? The conservation needs identified by the Clark Conservation District in their plan of work are real and need to be addressed. The Clark Conservation District has received no opposition to this proposed system of rates and charges.
- 9. RECOMMENDED ACTION: What will be asked of the council at the conclusion of the work session? RCW 98.08.405 requires the County legislative authority to hold a public hearing on the system of rates and charges and, following that hearing, make a finding that the public interest will be served and then either accept or modify and accept the system of rates and charges brought to the Council by the Clark Conservation District board of supervisors.

Signature of requestor:

DATE: 6/25/18

APPROVED FOR SCHEDULING: