

Item # 19

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: April 21, 2010

Agenda Date Requested: May 6, 2010
Time Requested: 10 Minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors
From: Public Works and Office of Business Development

Subject Title: Action to direct staff to investigate leasing, lease-purchase, or purchase of the former Fireside Building and property (APN's 004-215-07, 004-202-01 and 004-202-02) for a possible location for a Business Resource Center.

Staff Summary: This action provides for staff to investigate acquisition of the former Fireside Building and property for use by the City for locating a Business Resource Center which would be comprised of the offices of Planning, Building, Business License, and the Office of Business Development which is proposed to be combined with the aforementioned offices as part of consolidation of city government. Any costs would be supported from savings resulting from downsizing in the budget of the Office of Business Development.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

- Resolution
- Ordinance
- Formal Action/Motion
- Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to direct staff to investigate leasing, lease-purchase, or purchase of the former Fireside Building (APN 004-215-07, 004-202-01 and 004-202-02) for a possible location for a Business Resource Center.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: The proposed business resource center will bring together under one roof our Permit Center, Planning Department, Business Development Department with the specific goal of providing easy access to our business assistance services. It is anticipated that the Nevada Small Business Development Center and various other economic development entities will assist with a line of business services focused on job creation, filling empty buildings and diversifying our local economy.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: NA

Fiscal Impact: Approximately \$95,000 annually

Explanation of Impact: Offset of costs from budget reductions as a result of consolidation of offices and reduction in Business Development Office budget.

Funding Source: Redevelopment Funds.

Alternatives: NA

Supporting Material: Draft Business Plan for the Resource Center