

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: DECEMBER 18, 2013**

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE STATE CHAMPION CENTENNIAL AND ARBOR VIEW HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY RUNNERS

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at Meeting - Copies of Certificates of Accomplishment for the Arbor View and Centennial High School Cross Country Runners

Minutes:

Prior to hearing this item, COUNCILMAN ROSS thanked JERRY WALKER and December's Employee of the Month, SEAN MAHAN, for the efforts of their team during the devastating flooding in the Centennial area.

COUNCILMAN ROSS called PRINCIPAL KEVIN McPATEIN, Arbor View High School, and COACH TYRE COOPER to the podium to recognize the members of the girls' cross country team. The team won all four of the local cross country tournaments this season as well as the Staub/Barnes Invitational in Pasadena, California. They are the Northwest Division Champions, placed second at the Sunset Regional Championship and won the Nevada Division 1 State Championship in Reno, Nevada.

COACH COOPER said this team is very talented and hard working and performed very well at the State Championship. He thanked COUNCILMAN ROSS and the City Council on behalf of their team. One of the team runners expressed her pride in her teammates for their performance at the State meet.

COUNCILMAN ROSS called PRINCIPAL TRENT DAY, Centennial High School, and members of the cross country team to the podium. SYDNEY BADGER was recognized for her accomplishments in Cross Country and Track, being the Division 1 Cross Country State Champion and the Division 1 State Track Champion in several events. She is a senior with a 4.6 grade point average and received a scholarship to the University of Michigan. COUNCILMAN ROSS recognized the boys' Centennial High School cross country team for being the first Southern Nevada boys' team since 1987 to win the Division 1 Cross Country Nevada State Championship. Team members were named individually and recognized for their accomplishments. COACH MIKE McGUIRE, coach for the boys' team, thanked the City Council for the recognition, and stated he is proud of his team and recognized their accomplishments in the classroom as well as in cross country. MR. McGUIRE also stated that road safety is a hazard of this sport and expressed appreciation to the City Council for keeping the park systems safe for the runners. JACKSON CARTER, Captain of the boy's cross country team thanked the City Council and COUNCILMAN ROSS and expressed pride in his team and their ability to represent Las Vegas on a national scale.

COUNCILMAN ROSS recognized the educators and parents for supporting the teams of both high schools.