



Discover the New Frontiers

A bid for the 69th Worldcon in Reno, Nevada August 17-21, 2011

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Dear Glenn,

In accordance with Article 4 of the WSFS Constitution, I am pleased to enclose the filing documents for a bid to host the 69th World Science Fiction Convention in Reno, Nevada, from August 17-21, 2011. This letter constitutes our formal announcement of intent, with the enclosures covering the remaining eligibility requirements. I would be very grateful if you would acknowledge receipt and acceptance of our filing.

Introduction to the Bid

We have found that Reno is a great location for the Worldcon. Our bid brings together the facilities and amenities, the convention events and programming, and the experienced committee needed to create a truly memorable five days for our members.

1. The convention will be based in the Reno-Sparks Convention Center, a compact venue which has all facilities on a single level, but plenty of space for our needs. In addition, we will be the biggest convention in town on our weekend
2. Our accommodation features two primary 4-star hotels, the Atlantis and the Peppermill, with full resort amenities, including 21 on-site restaurants, all you can eat sushi, world class spas, indoor and outdoor pools, free parking and recently remodelled décor

3. We have signed conditional contracts in place for all of our hotels/facilities with guaranteed maximum 2011 room rates covering over 1200 rooms and over 120 additional suites. This includes a corkage waiver for food and beverages at the Atlantis, which will be our party hotel. Our contracts also ensure that any rooms booked at lower rates by our members will still count towards our block.
4. We are already developing strong ideas for the convention content, around our theme of the New Frontiers along with other aspects of SF and fandom
5. We have an experienced committee that is dedicated to making Reno an enjoyable Worldcon for members and staff alike.

I have enclosed a copy of our brochure with this letter, providing more information and acting as an overview on all aspects of the bid.



Filing – Documentation of Facilities & City Support

In accordance with Article 4.6.1(2) of the WSFS Constitution I have enclosed the following documentation confirming that we have appropriate conditional contracts in place with all of the facilities required to run the 2011 Worldcon, along with the support of the city of Reno.

1. Letter of intent from the **Reno-Sparks Convention Center** outlining space held and commitment to offer sufficient space with an ability to build our own computer network and work in a non-union environment.
2. Letter of intent from the **Atlantis Resort**, outlining their commitment as party hotel with corkage waiver and maximum rates in place in 2011 dollars.
3. Letter of intent from the **Peppermill Resort**, outlining their commitment with maximum rates in place in 2011 dollars
4. Outline of rooms blocked at the completely non-smoking **Marriott Courtyard Hotel**

5. Letter of support from the Mayor of Reno
6. Letter of support from the President of the University of Nevada, Reno.

Filing – Documentation of Bidding Organization

The Reno in 2011 bid is submitted on behalf of Reno Convention Fandom, Incorporated (RCFI). RCFI is a non-profit registered in Oregon and set up specifically to support the Reno bid and convention. In accordance with Article 4.6.1(3) of the WSFS Constitution, I enclose a copy of the Articles and Bylaws that govern RCFI and its Board of Directors, including the procedures for appointment, removal and replacement of the Chair and Treasurer of the Reno in 2011 Bid and Convention Committees.

The Reno Bid Committee is currently as follows:

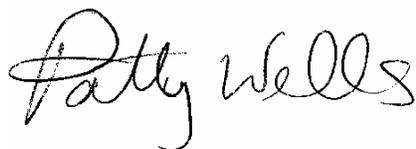
- **Patty Wells, Chair**
- **John Lorentz, Treasurer**
- **Ruth Sachter, Secretary**
- Kim Marks Brown
- Arthur Chenin
- Aaron Curtis
- Vince Docherty
- Steve Francis
- Sue Francis
- Don Glover
- Colin Harris
- Mark Herrup
- Rick Lindsley
- Tammy Lindsley
- Jim Mann
- Laurie Mann
- Theresa Renner
- Larry Sanderson
- Heidi Schaub
- Joe Siclari
- Edie Stern
- Ian Stockdale
- Geri Sullivan
- Richard Threadgill
- Marc Wells
- Ben Yalow

Conclusion

In conclusion, we are confident that we can put on a successful, high quality Worldcon in Reno in August 2011. We have strong, committed facilities in a city surrounded by nature and history. They are eager for our business and will work with us to provide our members the benefits of high quality accommodation with a great range of convenient, on-site eating options. And we will deliver a program which will look upwards and outwards at the science and science fiction of the 21st Century.

Glenn, thank you for your attention to this document, and for giving such clear direction on matters of site selection.

Respectfully,



Patty Wells
Chairman, RCFI and Reno in 2011