

## MEETING MINUTES

### COALITION BOARD

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

March 22, 2007

**In attendance:**

Mayor Oscar Goodman, CHAIR, City of Las Vegas  
Commissioner Susan Brager, Clark County  
Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani, Clark County  
Councilwoman Lois Tarkanian, City of Las Vegas  
Councilwoman Stephanie Smith, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilwoman Shari Buck, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilman Amanda Cyphers, City of Henderson  
Trustee Mary Beth Scow, Clark County School District

**Absent:**

Mayor Robert Ferraro, City of Boulder City  
Councilman Steve Kirk, City of Henderson

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**Agenda Item 1. Call to order; notice of agenda conformance with the Open Meeting Law requirements.**

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Board was called to order by Mayor Oscar Goodman, Chair, City of Las Vegas, at 3:33 p.m., on Thursday, March 22, 2007, in HR Training Room #4, City of Las Vegas City Hall, 400 East Stewart Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The agenda for the March 22, 2007, meeting was duly posted in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements.

**Agenda Item 2. Roll Call.**

All members of the SNRPC Board, as listed above, were present except for Mayor Robert Ferraro, City of Boulder City, and Councilman Steve Kirk, City of Henderson.

**Agenda Item 3. Approval of the agenda for March 22, 2007.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the March 22, 2007, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 4. Approval of the minutes for January 25, 2007.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2007, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 5. Receive the Proposed FY2007-2008 Committee on Homelessness Budget and an Update and Reports on the SNRPC Regional Homeless Coordination. Recommended action – Approve the proposed FY2007-2008 regional Committee on Homelessness Budget, approve new Committee members and accept update reports.**

Darryl Martin, Clark County, asked that the budget approval portion of the agenda item be held until the next Coalition Board meeting; and he gave an update on regional homeless coordination efforts including: a

Legislative Homeless Day recap; Assembly Bill 126; 2006 Continuum of Care allocation amounts by HUD; the Inclement Weather Shelter Program; and the need for affordable housing. He also requested approval of two new SNRPC Committee on Homelessness committee member appointments (Myra Berkovits, Clark County School District, and Marc Joseph, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department).

A motion was made and seconded to approve Myra Berkovits, Clark County School District, and Marc Joseph, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, as the two new committee members on the SNRPC Committee on Homelessness. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was discussion by the Board on transitional housing and the voucher program; frustrations of spending large amounts of money on the homeless problem with no obvious, visible impact on the overall numbers of homeless people; focusing efforts on the larger percentage of homeless individuals who want help first then assisting those who are more resistant; getting business involvement through the Homeless Trust Fund; and the shortage of short-term, affordable housing.

Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas, requested a future presentation on faith based initiative efforts.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the update report on regional homeless coordination efforts. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 6. Receive the Preliminary SNRPC FY2007-2008 Work Plan and Budget. Recommended action – Approve the Preliminary SNRPC FY2007-2008 Work Plan and Budget.**

Flinn Fagg, City of Las Vegas, presented the preliminary SNRPC FY2007-2008 Work Plan and Budget.

There was brief discussion by the Board on the traffic analysis portion of the Land Use Projections item on the Work Plan and improving communication within all jurisdictions' public works departments.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Preliminary SNRPC FY2007-2008 Work Plan and Budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 7. Receive a Status Report on Phase II of the Regional Economic Study. Recommended action – Accept the Update on Phase II of the Regional Economic Study.**

Dr. Alan Schlottmann, Theodore Roosevelt Institute (TRI), gave an update on Phase II of the Regional Economic Study.

There was discussion by the Board on the involvement of NDA; including youth and job capacity on the final report; and working with schools on all levels on pre-apprenticeship programs and trade skills development.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the update on Phase II of the Regional Economic Study. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 8. Receive an Update on SNRPC Efforts to Craft Federal Work Force Housing Legislation for Presentation to Nevada's Congressional Delegation. Recommended action – Approve draft language related to Work Force Housing legislation and forward on to Nevada's congressional delegation.**

Skeet Fitzgerald, City of Henderson, presented a draft copy of Federal Workforce Housing Legislation titled "Federal SNPLMA Work Force Housing Legislation (v9)" but asked to continue the item indefinitely.

There was discussion by the Board on bringing an update back in four to six months instead of an indefinite delay.

There was also lengthy discussion on maintaining various levels of housing to assist families as they move “on out and up”; including the Southern Nevada Home Builders Association; the Housing Trust Fund; and eventual community input.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend bringing an update on Federal Work Force Housing Legislation back to the Coalition Board in four months. The motion was approved unanimously.

Julene Hayworth, Southern Nevada Home Builders Association, stated that their main item of concern was that this would become a federal mandate to local jurisdictions on their local land use and zoning policies.

Jane Feldman, Sierra Club, commented on concerns including: the presumption of public land solving local problems; policy inclusions forcing people onto the sprawling edges of developments where public transportation, services, jobs, etc. are not yet available; setting federal precedent on public land giveaways; and mixed use developments only seem to include high-end housing. She recommended more trust fund developments like a Housing Trust Fund.

**Agenda Item 9. The next date and location for the regular meeting of the SNRPC Board is tentatively scheduled for May 24, 2007, 3:30 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City of North Las Vegas City Hall, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada.**

Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas, stated that the next Coalition Board meeting was scheduled for May 24, 2007, at 3:30 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City of North Las Vegas City Hall, in North Las Vegas, Nevada.

**Agenda Item 10. Public Comment.**

There were no public comments.

**Agenda Item 11. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.