

MEETING MINUTES
COALITION BOARD

SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

May 25, 2006

In attendance:

Councilman Steve Kirk, CHAIR, City of Henderson
Trustee Susan Brager-Wellman, Clark County School District
Mayor Robert Ferraro, City of Boulder City
Councilman Lawrence Weekly, VICE CHAIR, City of Las Vegas
Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas
Commissioner Myrna Williams, Clark County
Councilwoman Stephanie Smith, City of North Las Vegas

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 Councilman Steve Kirk, Chair, City of Henderson, at 3:30 p.m., on Thursday, May 25, 2006, in the City Council Chambers, City of North Las Vegas City Hall, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

The agenda for the May 25, 2006, 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 Commissioner Lynette Boggs McDonald, Clark County, Councilman Shari Buck, City of North Las Vegas, and Councilman Amanda Cyphers, City of Henderson.

Agenda Item 3. Approval of the agenda for May 25, 2006.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the May 25, 2006, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 4. Approval of the minutes for March 23, 2006.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2006, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 5. Receive a report on the SNRPC Regional Homeless Coordination. Recommended action – Accept the Report and approve the recommended providers for negotiation of contracts for the Inclement Weather Shelter Program.

Shannon West, Regional Homeless Coordinator, gave an update report on the SNRPC Regional Homeless Coordination including the AB580 and Transition From Homelessness programs (i.e. OUTREACH Consortium) and the 2006 Continuum of Care (CoC) Final Application Priorities. She also suggested recommendations for providers for the 2006/07 Inclement Weather Shelter Program contracts.

Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas, recommended that Ms. West arrange for assistance to the homeless individuals frequenting Circle Park and Frank Wright Plaza.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report on the SNRPC Regional Homeless Coordination and follow staff recommendations. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 6. Receive an Update on efforts by the SNRPC Workforce Housing Subcommittee to suggest Legislative Proposals for the Next Session of the Nevada Legislative Session. Recommended action – Receive the Update and direct staff as appropriate.

Doug Bell, Clark County, gave an update on efforts by the SNRPC Workforce Housing Subcommittee to suggest legislative proposals for the next session of the Nevada Legislative Session, including: expanding State housing programs from 0-80% median family income to 81-120% median family income; allowing local governments to enter into loans with nonprofit agencies and making grants to for-profit corporations for the generation of workforce housing; and enabling language for the County to develop single-family housing in addition to multi-family housing.

Councilman Steve Kirk, City of Henderson, asked what the next step was; and Mr. Bell responded on the scope, timeline and deadlines facing the Nevada Interim Legislative Subcommittee to Study the Availability and Inventory of Affordable Housing.

No motion or action was required on this agenda item.

Agenda Item 7. Receive an Update and Status Report on the Regional Economic Study. Recommended action – Accept the Report.

Rob Levrant, City of Las Vegas, gave an update on the Regional Economic Study via a PowerPoint presentation.

Councilman Steve Kirk, City of Henderson, asked if the education level of the workforce had been studied, especially as required to fill the biotech and medical clusters; and Mr. Levrant responded that was part of the cognition studies and demographic sequencing and would be discussed further in future reports presented on workforce components.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the status report on the Regional Economic Study. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas, asked if the report was paid for and for how much; and Mr. Levrant responded the first phase was paid for in the amount of \$100,000.

Mayor Goodman asked how much the second phase was going to cost and what was expected to be learned from it; and Mr. Levrant responded the second phase was estimated to cost \$100,000, and this was just an interim status report with the final reports identifying the economic cluster opportunities for growth as well as land use and workforce needs to achieve them.

There was further discussion on who the consultants were and what they would ultimately provide as backup for their findings, as well as a recommendation that the consultants provide all future status reports.

Agenda Item 8. Receive the LUTAQ Final Report. Recommended action – Accept the Report, and forward it to the member entities.

Jon Wardlaw, Clark County, presented the LUTAQ Final Report. He stated the three critical key findings were: fewer car trips, shorter car trips and more use of bus rapid transit/mass transit.

Mayor Robert Ferraro, City of Boulder City, asked how this report had been used to this point; and Mr. Wardlaw responded that it had preliminarily been used as a touchstone in some workings by internal planning staff.

Mayor Ferraro asked what the increase in customer satisfaction was estimated to be by applying the model; and Mr. Wardlaw referred to a Best Management Practice Scenario Output Screen on page 46 of the report indicating potential future satisfaction related to time in traffic and increasing overall population.

Mayor Oscar Goodman, City of Las Vegas, commented on the interest shown by many City employees in potentially using rapid transit vehicles, and he encouraged continued education to the public on the benefits of doing so.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the LUTAQ Final Report and forward it to the member entities. The motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Myrna Williams, Clark County, commented on additional benefits and increasing popularity of the rapid transit system/buses.

Agenda Item 9. Receive the Final SNRPC FY2006-07 Work Plan and Budget. Recommended action – Approve the Final SNRPC FY2006-07 Work Plan and Budget.

Sean Robertson, City of Henderson, presented the Final SNRPC FY2006-07 Work Plan and Budget totaling \$168,684.29 (City of Las Vegas, City of North Las Vegas, City of Henderson and Clark County each \$33,736.86 and City of Boulder City and Clark County School District each \$16,868.43).

Councilwoman Stephanie Smith, City of North Las Vegas, asked why Travel, Training and Meetings was going from \$750 to \$2000; and Jennifer Olsen, Coalition Secretary, responded about combining several budget items and deleting others.

Councilwoman Smith asked why there was a Hospitality line item when each jurisdiction provided refreshments at their own meetings; and Ms. Olsen responded there were occasionally charges to be prepared for (i.e. last year's Homeless workshop).

Councilwoman Smith asked about the \$10,000 Equipment purchase; and Ms. Olsen explained about the new digital recorder.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Final SNRPC FY2006-07 Work Plan and Budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 10. The next date and location for the regular meeting of the SNRPC Board is tentatively scheduled for July 27, 2006, 3:30 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City of North Las Vegas City Hall, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

City Manager Phil Speight, City of Henderson, stated that the next Coalition Board meeting was scheduled for July 27, 2006, at 3:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers in North Las Vegas.

Agenda Item 11. Public Comment.

Frank Perna, private citizen and homeless advocate, commented on the nonprofit agency Family Promise, and he read excerpts from two newspaper articles he provided copies of ("Decision to ditch homeless center one

council, mayor likely to regret” from the *Las Vegas Review Journal* on May 22, 2006; and “Jon Ralston on the Family Promise eviction, the latest humiliation of the homeless by the mayor and City Council” from the *Las Vegas Sun*). He also read a letter he wrote and provided a copy of regarding regional homelessness.

Mr. Perna asked about the Homeless Coalition’s lack of meetings and about the impact of illegal immigrants in the workforce not being mentioned in the Regional Economic Study. He added brief comments on illegal immigration.

Margo Wheeler, City of Las Vegas, apologized on behalf of the Regional Economic Study consultant, Dr. Alan Schlottmann; and she stated he would be coordinating individual briefings with each member of the Board.

Agenda Item 12. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.