

## MEETING MINUTES

### COALITION BOARD

#### SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION

August 23, 2011

**In attendance:**

Trustee Carolyn Edwards, CHAIR, Clark County School District  
Councilwoman Gerri Schroder, VICE CHAIR, City of Henderson  
Councilwoman Kathleen Boutin, City of Henderson  
Councilman Bob Coffin, City of Las Vegas  
Councilman Stravros Anthony, City of Las Vegas (Alternate)  
Councilwoman Anita Wood, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilman Cam Walker, City of Boulder City  
Commissioner Susan Brager, Clark County

**Absent:**

Councilman Steve Wolfson, City of Las Vegas  
Councilman Wade Wagner, City of North Las Vegas  
Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani, Clark County

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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 Trustee Edwards, at 4:04 p.m., on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, in Clark County Commission Chambers, Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The agenda for the August 23, 2011, meeting was duly posted in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements.

**Agenda Item 2. Roll Call.**

SNRPC Board attendance was as listed above. Councilwoman Kathleen Boutin, City of Henderson, arrived at the meeting at 4:40 p.m. and Councilwoman Geri Schroder, City of Henderson departed the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

**Agenda Item 3. Public Comment.**

Barbara Luke, 16 Bojangles Way in Blue Diamond, spoke regarding the Gypsum Resources Plan for Blue Diamond Hill and her concern regarding the proposed development. Ms. Luke requested that the Board review the Plan as an SNRPC Project of Regional Significance. (Accompanying is her written statement which she asked to be made part of the minutes.)

The Board directed staff to consider the issue and determine whether the Board has jurisdiction on the matter.

**Agenda Item 4. Approval of the agenda for August 23, 2011.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda for the August 23, 2011, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 5. Approval of the minutes for July 26, 2011.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2011, meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 6a. Strategic Planning Session Follow-up: Discussion on the Summary Report of the Strategic Planning Session. For possible action. Recommended action - Discuss and take any necessary action.**

Stacie Welsh with the City of Henderson provided an overview of the Summary Report materials from the Strategic Planning Session. The materials depict work plan priorities and potential organizational improvements. Commissioner Brager stressed her desire for progress. Trustee Edwards spoke of the relationship between the SNRPC and the individual member entities. Councilwoman Schroder suggested that timelines be developed for work plan items. Ms. Welsh stated that the Planning Directors would be asked to develop the timelines. The efforts of the Business License Workgroup were discussed and it was noted that the Business License Workgroup itself would be before the Board at the next meeting with a full update. No action was taken on this item.

**Agenda Item 6b. Strategic Planning Session Follow-up: Discussion on the Regional Coordinator Staff Position. For possible action. Recommended action - Discuss and take any necessary action.**

Flinn Fagg with the City of Las Vegas gave a brief overview of how the SNRPC is staffed, followed by a presentation on the history of the SNRPC Regional Coordinator Staff position, the pros and cons of filling the position, and three options for the Board to consider.

- Option 1: No Coordinator (status quo).
- Option 2: Coordinator – report directly to Board.
- Option 3: Coordinator – housed within one jurisdiction.

Mr. Fagg concluded his presentation by asking for direction as to whether staff should further investigate the cost and other considerations of a potential SNRPC Regional Coordinator Staff position.

Following Mr. Fagg's presentation there was discussion on the merits and cost implications of hiring a Regional Coordinator. Councilwoman Wood stated that it might be wise to try implementing some of the organizational improvements discussed at the recent Strategic Planning Session and the request for timelines for work plan items requested earlier in the meeting by Councilwoman Schroder.

A public comment period was opened at this point. Knight Allen expressed his opposition to the hiring of a Regional Coordinator. His concern is that a Regional Coordinator position adds a layer between the Board and current staff that benefits no one.

A motion was made and seconded to maintain the status quo and to not further investigate the hiring of an SNRPC Regional Coordinator. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 6c. Strategic Planning Session Follow-up: Discussion on Modifying the SNRPC's Annual Rotation Schedule. For possible action. Recommended action – Discuss and take any necessary action.**

Johanna Murphy, City of North Las Vegas, and Stacie Welsh with the City of Henderson, introduced the item. The possible pros and cons of modifying the Coalition's administration and chairing rotation were discussed. No action was taken on this item.

**Agenda Item 7. Discussion on the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan. For possible action. Recommended action – Discuss and take any necessary action.**

Due to time constraints this item's time was cut short at the July 2011 meeting. It is back today for continued consideration. Marcie Henson, Program Manager for the Clark County Desert Conservation Program presented regarding the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) which provides regional compliance with the Federal Endangered Species Act on behalf of Clark County and all local municipalities in Southern Nevada. Ms. Henson provided a brief history on the program and outlined a number of program changes which are under consideration at this time. Key potential changes being considered are 1) seeking additional acres under the permit and 2) establishing a new governance structure. Discussion took place regarding the current need to pursue additional acres under the permit given the recent change in the economy and the relative priority of the SNRPC being involved in recommending changes to this program versus other programs. No action was taken on this item.

**Agenda Item 8. Receive an update for the Committee on Youth's Strategic Plan and Initiatives. For possible action. Recommended action – Receive an update and take any necessary action.**

Tyrone Thompson, the Regional Initiatives Coordinator for the Committee on Homelessness and Committee on Youth, gave a report on the recent Ready for Life Southern Nevada Action Plan Summit and the Capacity Plan developed to continue the initiative. The Summit, held on June 23-24, brought together over fifty participants from a variety of professions and interests to develop a comprehensive action plan to address the disconnected youth of our community. Mr. Thompson distributed a briefing report, Ready for Life Southern Nevada: Implementation and Action Workgroup Capacity Plan Report, and described the staffing plan and staffing needs that have been developed to carryout the goals of the effort and outlined some of the strategies that might be used to implement the plan. No action was taken on this item.

**Agenda Item 9. Receive a report on the Regional Transit Oriented Development Plan and Proposed Consortium Partnership Agreement. For possible action. Recommended action – Receive a report and approve the Consortium Partnership Agreement.**

Sean Robertson, City of Henderson, Project Lead for the effort, gave an update report on this year's effort by SNRPC staff to apply to the HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program. Mr. Robertson requested the Board approve the Partnership Agreement drafted for this year's application, noting the additional participants added to this year's consortium. A motion was made and seconded for approval. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 10. Discuss implementation of a bi-monthly meeting schedule and set the next date and location for a regular meeting of the SNRPC Board, tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2011, at 4:00 p.m., in Clark County Commission Chambers in the Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.**

Trustee Edwards expressed that she felt it would be best for the Coalition Board to maintain a monthly schedule. There was discussion on the item and of the goals and strategies of the Board and what sort of meeting schedule might best accomplish this. No action was taken on this item.

**Agenda Item 11. Public Comment. (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to three minutes.)**

There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item 12. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.