

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**COALITION BOARD**

**SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION**

**February 25, 2014**

**In attendance:**

Councilman Wade Wagner, CHAIR, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilman Isaac Barron, City of North Las Vegas  
Trustee Linda E. Young, Clark County School District  
Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani, Clark County  
Commissioner Steve Sisolak, Clark County  
Councilman Sam Bateman, City of Henderson

**Absent:**

Councilman Cam Walker, VICE CHAIR, City of Boulder City  
Councilman Bob Coffin, City of Las Vegas  
Councilwoman Gerri Schroder, City of Henderson  
Councilman Bob Beers, City of Las Vegas

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

The meeting of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Board was called to order by Councilman Wagner, City of North Las Vegas, Chair, at 4:10 p.m., on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, in the Clark County Commission Chambers, Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.

It was confirmed that the agenda for the February 25, 2014, meeting was duly posted in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements.

**Agenda Item 2. Roll Call.**

Members of the SNRPC Board, as listed above, were present except Councilman Cam Walker, Councilman Bob Beers, Councilman Bob Coffin and Councilwoman Gerri Schroder.

**Agenda Item 3. Public Comment.**

No comments were given.

**Agenda Item 4. Approval of the Agenda for February 25, 2014.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Giunchigliani to approve the agenda for the February 25, 2014 meeting, holding agenda item 7 until the March meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 5. Approval of the Minutes for the January 28, 2014 meeting.**

A motion was made by Trustee Young to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2014 meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 6. CONSENT ITEMS a. Southern Nevada Strong Consortium Committee nominee. Recommended action – Accept and approve all consent items.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Giunchigliani to approve the Consent Items. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 7. Receive a report on Asset Mapping of Services by SNRPC Committee on Homelessness. Recommended action – Receive the report and direct staff as necessary.**

This item was held at the request of City of Las Vegas members.

**Agenda Item 8. Southern Nevada Strong – Acceptance of Draft Plan. Recommended action – Acceptance of Draft Plan and direct staff accordingly.**

Stephanie Garcia-Vause, City of Henderson, presented the Southern Nevada Strong (SNS) Draft Regional Plan. Councilman Wagner made the comment that he wanted to support the Consortium Committee and Southern Nevada Strong team's efforts on the project. He suggested the Coalition Board not duplicate efforts and receive the same information as the Consortium Committee. He expressed his trust in his colleagues on that committee and feels that monthly updates are not necessary. Commissioner Sisolak agreed with the comments and also expressed his support and charge of the SNS team.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giunchigliani to accept the Draft Plan with the changes and comments that were previously given by the Consortium Committee and the Coalition Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Young thanked the SNS team for their outreach efforts and their leadership. She said the information is helpful for her to share with her constituents.

**Agenda Item 9. Receive a presentation on the Urban Forest Resource Analysis results. Recommended action – Receive the presentation.**

Paul Andricopulos, City of Henderson and Chair of the Urban Forestry Workgroup gave a presentation regarding the results of the Urban Forest Resource Analysis. In 2009, member agencies of the SNRPC were included in a federal grant to the Nevada Division of Forestry to inventory public trees throughout Clark County to determine the quantity, species, size, age, condition, maintenance needs and community benefits of those trees. In 2012, Davey Resource Group was hired to perform the inventory, which took approximately one year to complete.

Mr. Andricopulos provided a fact sheet that summarizes the findings of the inventory, which supports the need to consider public trees as municipal assets. The public tree population is a cost-effective resource that provides environmental benefits such as energy savings, atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, air quality improvements, stormwater interception and aesthetic contribution to social and economic health of the community.

Briefing points were provided highlighting ways to maximize the value of those assets, such as implementing the *Recommended Best Practices for Trees in Southern Nevada*, approved by the Coalition

Board in 2012. The Best Practices have been provided to members and staff as a tool to promote tree health and longevity, protect the value of green infrastructure investments, maximize the value of urban forest assets and reduce costly infrastructure repairs.

Additional recommendations are: develop and urban forestry management plan to maintain those assets and achieve the maximum benefits; consider adopting a resolution supporting urban forestry; consider setting goals for canopy coverage; consider adopting best management practices into codes as deemed appropriate and practicable per jurisdiction.

A full report of the urban tree inventory can be found on [snrpc.org](http://snrpc.org) and the [forestry.nv.gov](http://forestry.nv.gov) website.

A motion was made by Commissioner Giunchigliani to accept the presentation. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 10. The next date and location for a regular meeting of the SNRPC Board is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 4:00 p.m., in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.**

Councilman Wagner, City of North Las Vegas, Chair, announced that the next date and location for a regular meeting of the SNRPC Board would be on Tuesday, March 25, 2014, at 4:00 p.m., in Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.

**Agenda Item 11. Member Comment.**

No comments were given.

**Agenda Item 12. Public Comment.**

No comments were given.

**Agenda Item 13. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.