

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

**SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PLANNING COALITION**

**August 27, 2019**

**In attendance:** Councilwoman Michele Fiore, Chair, City of Las Vegas  
Councilman Richard Cherchio, Vice Chair, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilman Scott Black, City of North Las Vegas  
Councilwoman Victoria Seaman, City of Las Vegas  
Councilwoman Claudia Bridges, City of Boulder City  
Commissioner Justin Jones, Clark County  
Councilman Dan Shaw, City of Henderson  
Councilman Dan H. Stewart, City of Henderson  
Commissioner Tick Segerblom, Clark County  
Trustee Lola Brooks, Clark County School District

**Absent:**

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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 Shaw City of North Las Vegas, at 4:03 P.M., on Tuesday, August 27, 2019, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at 500 Grand Central South, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89155.

**Agenda Item 2. Roll Call**

All members of the SNRPC Coalition Board, as listed above, were present at the time of roll call.

**Agenda Item 3. Public Comment**

No public comment was made.

**Agenda Item 4. Approval of the Agenda for August 27, 2019**

A motion was made by Councilman Shaw to approve the agenda for the August 27, 2019 meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 5. Approval of the Minutes for the June 25, 2019 meeting**

A motion was made by Councilman Black to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2019 meeting.

**Agenda Item 6. For possible action to approve the 2019 Long-Term Population Forecast for Clark County, Nevada 2019-2060 prepared by the University of Nevada Las Vegas' Center of Business and Economic Research.**

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, stated that this was an annual population forecast from CBER at UNLV. It is developed on a consensus basis with the member jurisdictions of SNRPC, state demographer, RTC, and SNWA. The four year forecast of the 2060 population, of approximately 3.1 million, has been a routine item previously before the board and was recommended that the forecast be accepted.

No questions from the Board. A motion was made by Councilman Cherchio to accept the report.

**Agenda Item 7. For possible action to approve the 2020 Census Outreach Contract with Purdue Marion and Associates.**

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, stated that this is to award a \$200,000 contract for the 2020 Census Outreach coordinator contract. This scope includes outreach efforts that lead up to the census to improve the region census count. Purdue Marion and Associates has been selected for this contract, and require a super majority vote for approval.

Richard Wassmuth, City of Las Vegas, stated that proposals for Outreach Coordinator for Clark County, for the 2020 US Census, were solicited from May through early June of 2019. The proposals were evaluated by the staff members from the City of Henderson, City of Las Vegas, City of North Las Vegas, Clark County, and the Nevada State Demographer. The backup material contains the evaluation scoring sheets and copies of the contract. After completing the evaluation process, the firm of Purdue Marion and Associates was chosen to lead the outreach effort.

For the scope of the work, the primary duty of the outreach coordinator will be to increase awareness for the 2020 census. The first phase of outreach will begin in September of 2019 which will be the initial engagement and will involve coordination with the complete count committee for Clark County. Purdue Marion and Associates will the presume leadership role of the complete count committee. The Complete count committee is comprised from business, labor, faith-based communities, education, media, government, and others from the community.

The second phase is the pre-census campaign, it begins in January of 2020, and runs through February of 2020. This phase will concentrate on heightening awareness on the up and coming census.

The third phase is called the action, which will run from March 2020 to April 2020 and will coincide with the release of census material and forms. The key deliverables and stakeholder outreach, includes leading and coordinating the complete count committee. Coordination will include working with local and regional census bureau representatives, government relations, fund raising. Marketing, branding strategy, grass roots efforts, consensus building, development of multicultural message, and a final report to SNRPC.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Fiore to approve the 2020 Census Outreach Contract with Purdue Marion and Associates. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stewart and approved unanimously.

### **Agenda Item 8. Receive a report by the Regional Trails and Open Space Workgroup**

Johanna Murphy and Mauricia Baca, City of North Las Vegas, Get Outdoors Nevada, briefly went over the history of their working group for the two new board members. In 2007, they held a Southern Nevada and Open Space and Trails summit. They realized back then that they needed to start coordinating their planning efforts on the great outdoor land marks (Jenny ignore this one) that Southern Nevada has to offer. The summit was held at the Las Vegas Springs preserve which was well-attended. At the end of the summit, members of the local agencies and members of the federal partners BLM, Wildlife, Fish and Forest Services, National Park Service all signed a resolution to continue to work cooperatively to develop an interconnected open space and trails network throughout the Las Vegas valley and that's how ROST become formalized.

In 2013, another summit was held with tremendous attendance. ROST not only wanted to plan together but also wanted to make sure they were reaching out to the public together, in order to make people aware of parks that were opening not only in their neighborhoods, but valley wide.

At the City of Henderson's Trails Day in 2009, the Regional Trails System brand, Neon to Nature was launched. Following that in 2010, was the launch of the Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights.

In 2011, Henderson's Trails Day, The Las Vegas Valley Rim Trail was launched. The Rim Trail will be a 100-mile trail that loops around the entire Las Vegas valley when it has been completed.

Get Outdoors Nevada Day was launched in 2014 at Craig Ranch Regional Park. The main focus was to reach the public throughout the entire valley, knowing that it would be a major marketing challenge. Get Outdoors Nevada Day rotates every year throughout the Las Vegas valley.

Mauricia Baca stated that the Regional Open Space and Trails Group has brought the planners together from each jurisdiction and created productive discussions.

The Neon to Nature map was created in 2014, free of charge, to the public. This year the map has been updated.

The Neon to Nature App hosted by the Southern Nevada Health District was created in 2014 and will be updated; hopefully, a Spanish version will be integrated. The app will provide great directions, pictures, and levels of difficulty. Currently there are 13,000 downloads of the app, and the goal is to increase downloads in the coming year.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that if SNRPC was to disband they would make an amendment that SNRPC would disband only once Get Outdoors Nevada was adopted. Councilwoman Fiore spoke to Tina Quigley from the RTC regarding bringing Get Outdoors Nevada over to the RTC.

**Agenda Item 9. Discussion for possible action to disband the SNRPC and provide staff direction to implement dissolving the SNRPC.**

Councilwoman Fiore stated that in June there was a motion to disband SNRPC that failed and a motion that failed to reconstruct SNRPC. Councilwoman Fiore asked if anyone felt comfortable making a motion at that time or open it as a discussion.

Councilman Stewart made a motion to disband at this time and stated that it's been talked about for a year and a half, but it can be talked about some more.

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, asked for Councilwoman Fiore to have the Secretary do a roll call vote.

Commissioner Jones asked for clarification on what disband means.

Councilwoman Fiore asked Marco Velotta to explain disbanding with an amendment with ROST being under the RTC.

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, stated that this motion to disband is effectively giving us direction as staff to terminate the inter-local agreement and take any of the necessary actions including, but not limited to, changing the Nevada revised statutes to dissolve SNRPC and the SNRPC statutes. This is something that has been discussed in 2018 through the report and during workshops. In November, the members of the Coalition involved with this and involved with our two previous SNRPC board meetings.

This would give the Technical Committee and Planning Directors directions to effectuate that. That means through the inter-local agreement, adopting a resolution by each of the governing bodies of 4 of the 6 entities of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition would not take effect until all outstanding debts and obligations of the Coalition have been fulfilled, and 180 days have passed from the adoption of the resolution of the fourth public entity. The next time the Coalition Board meets, we'll have something to present to you, and how we can make that happen or effectuate that. We'll carry that out, if that is the direction the board desires.

Councilman Black asked what would be the time frame and what work is required to be done in moving forward? Next year, North Las Vegas takes the admin component of SNRPC, what would that look like going into 2020?

Marco Velotta said at the next Technical Committee and Planning Directors meetings, we'll talk about what that specifically looks like and present that to the board at their next scheduled meeting. Essentially though, we will developed whatever the resolution would be to terminate the inter-local agreement and prepare anything with respect to statute or to carry on Regional Planning because that is in statute and it is a requirement of the County and the three largest cities within the county. This can take on a number of forms, but it will set us in the direction for dissolving the organization and disbanding SNRPC.

Councilwoman Michele Fiore as if there were any other questions?  
Madam Secretary, will you please take the roll?

**Jennifer Penney, SNRPC Secretary,**

<b>Councilwoman Fiore:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Cherchio:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Black:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilwoman Bridges:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Trustee Brooks:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Jones:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Segerblom:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Shaw:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Stewart:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Seaman:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Yes: 5            No: 5**

Councilwoman Fiore stated that the board is back where they started from and that's why she feels strong about disbanding. Being able to go forth with the RTC picking up ROST. SNRPC has been here two years and has not done much besides waste tax payer's dollars, with the exception of ROST.

Commissioner Jones stated that SNRPC hasn't wasted tax payers dollars and he's been a part of the board since January of this year. The board has talked about other things including the Census Outreach, which was approved today. There are other issues that were talked about and other issues that could be addressed by the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition, but there is a lack of vision and leadership to make it happen, so this is the status of SNRPC.

Councilman Black stated that he has been on the board for two years. His experience is with one word, which he regrets to say is "Dud." Councilman Black did some homework and research, and he spoke with staff and found the things that SNRPC has accomplished which were done in an early era when the budget was more lucrative and members were more able to do things. The past did show that some successes and Johanna from ROST showed Councilman Black that recently they were awarded regionally as great success for the community.

SNRPC can't go forward the way it currently is designed. In its current make up, SNRPC has reached a level of obsolescence and is given two choices to either abandon or do something different, but not status quo. Councilman Black mentioned a one year experiment and North Las Vegas provides the admin support for next year. North Las Vegas will not do everything, as they will need everyone's help, but the idea is to revamp SNRPC, the simplest way possible for next year. The new name instead of SNRPC would be VSN which stands for Vision Southern Nevada. VSN is an acronym for vision.

Advocacy, forums, and a clearing house have been discussed. Councilman Black stated that he still is not sure what a clearinghouse is, but wasn't sure why an action board wasn't brought up. SNRPC could become an Action Board, which separates the year into two six month periods, have three tenants--people, environment, and community. The first meeting of the year out of five meetings will consist of coming up with a plan and some goals that can be accomplished over a six-month period, that are measurable and would allow the board to identify outcomes, i.e., under the people category, putting 50 families in homes that don't currently have homes could occur during a six month period. Collectively as a region and elected officials with experts, the group could make it happen. Moving forward, Councilman Black would be ready to try a one year experiment to reshape SNRPC.

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, recommended Councilwoman Fiore to move on to Item 10.

Councilwoman Fiore asked if it was possible due to the motion failing, to make another motion.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, stated that based on the way that the agenda is agenzized, the only two motions that would be possible would be a motion to disband or a motion to not disband. If there were other motions that involved other structures or potential concepts, they would need to be under agenda item 10.

Councilwoman Fiore asked if she could make another motion to disband, because, as they discussed, one of the things she is most concerned with is duplicating on other agencies that are working on the homeless issue. This would give the opportunity of having another opportunity to ask for a motion to disband and making sure that ROST is adopted by RTC. Is that possible or should we go onto item 10?

Seth, City of Las Vegas, replied that disbanding is one of the option under item 10 that was discussed by Perdue Marion and Associates, or you can motion to reconsider the vote.

**Agenda Item 10. ABEYANCE. Discussion for possible action on preferred role(s) and structure for the future of SNRPC and provide direction to staff to implement strategy.**

Councilwoman Fiore stated that based on numerous workshops with Purdue Marion and Associates, she would encourage the board to provide staff a clear direction so they could move forward. Hopeful that the meeting would be the last time the board would have to discuss this item.

Commissioner Segerblom mentioned that SNRPC has the word planning in it and in his 70 years of living in Clark County, he has never seen it happen and the Sky is open. The board has the ability to do something which was originally intended. Clark County is the fastest growing area in the country a water resource that's going to run out, and individual jurisdictions that seem to be going in an independent direction, but the initial function of SNRPC seems to be apparent.

The City of North Las Vegas can take the lead and try something new, but at the end of the day you can say that Clark County is not over planned. Most of the members are new to the board and there much to do. If North Las Vegas, Las Vegas, and the City of Henderson don't want to

participate and the School District doesn't participate, that's okay, but the rest want to move forward with SNRPC and plan for the future.

Commissioner Jones said climate change was one of the topics mentioned that SNRPC could consider. Recently Commissioner Jones took part in an event hosted by RTC, and the Governor's office of Energy did a workshop for local government on Climate Change. Each jurisdiction had representatives and the last question that was asked to the representatives of the jurisdictions was to sum up where they wanted to go, in one word, and Mr. Velotta, the City of Las Vegas representative stated, "collaboration." Commissioner Jones found Mr. Velotta's word to be very accurate, but unfortunately and because at the time the City of Las Vegas and the County are trying to work closely together on a variety of issues, including homelessness, there is no sense of collaboration on this board and it's unfortunate.

Commissioner Jones likes the idea of Councilman Black's ideas of revamping SNRPC. At one time, Commissioner Jones proposed quarterly meetings as an alternative and he is open to anything; Also, he would echo Mr. Velotta's comments that the Coalition needs to think about collaboration.

Councilman Cherchio reiterated that there's a sense that most of the board members just want out. Councilman Cherchio has been on the board from the time that Johanna and Councilman Black were speaking from 2014, on and was a part of the successes. Councilman Cherchio is looking at it from the history of the board. The sense that he is getting, is that the board members are looking to "throw the baby out with the bath water," because they are tired of doing nothing.

Councilman Cherchio said that he is willing to participate over the next year with the concept Councilman Black had mentioned, and if there someone on the board that does not want to participate, then Councilman Black is fine with that as well. The process is worth keeping and working on.

Councilwoman Fiore said a couple things that she heard from both sides, for example, the shortage of water. The Southern Nevada Water Authority coupled with our Colorado River Compact--there are seven states that participate in this which include Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, and Wyoming. Out of the seven states, Nevada is the only state that gets credit back from water. From 2002 to 2018, Nevada used 27 Billion gallons less with 690,000 more residents, due to the conservation efforts of our residents. Water is taken from Lake Mead and pumped to our aquifers because Nevada has an excess of water. There is no water shortage or water scare for us here in Nevada.

Councilwoman Fiore asked staff for direction. In two years, SNRPC has not proven to do anything except ROST and that's why Councilwoman Fiore is sticking with the motion to disband.

Marco Velotta, Madame Secretary, Can we do a roll call vote please?

**Jennifer Penney, SNRPC Secretary,**

<b>Councilwoman Fiore:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Cherchio:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Black:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilwoman Bridges:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Trustee Brooks:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Jones:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Segerblom:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Shaw:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Stewart:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Seaman:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Yes: 5          No: 5**

Councilwoman Fiore the motion fails both ways.

Councilwoman Fiore asked if they should move on to item number 11 or what to do next.

Marco Velotta stated that they could keep the discussion open or discuss any of the other options that were provided or presented in earlier meetings by the Purdue Marion and Associates report.

Councilwoman Fiore made another motion to listen to her colleague, Commissioner Jones, to collaborate with the 5 nays, and she would like to see what they could do with Councilman Black's proposal.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas asked Councilwoman Fiore to clarify what her motion entails to help give staff direction on what to do next.

Councilman Black, the board would have five meetings in the calendar year. The first meeting would be a planning session, chopping the year into two six month periods with a definitive goal to the six month time frame. The goal would be selected at the planning meeting and can be relative to any community related issue that the board feels compelled to address in a tangible manner. The goal has to be something very finite and definitive that can be measured and accomplished in a six-month period. The board would meet on a quarterly basis to monitor the process.

VSN would have a planning session, two major goals for the year, and be action oriented. The group wouldn't just talk about it, via a forum, or a clearing house, but would set a goal that is tangible. As elected officials, they can lead by examples that can put practice forward to do something and also rally the community.

Councilman Shaw asked if the tasks mentioned are something that are not being currently handled or addressed by some other agency.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that one of the aspects the board has to look at is not creating duplicity. Councilman Black's idea is a great idea, but not creating duplicity.

Councilman Black stated that's where the collaboration element comes in. The board is ten people, and the board is not going to do much themselves. The members do not have the time or expertise. Possibly collaborating with the COC – Continuum of Care and what it is missing is another C a collaboration of character. Not to replicate or displace, but to align with a measurable way. The board will be trying this as an experiment. If it fails, at least the board can say that it tried, e.g., making a difference by alignment and through have a decisive plan and executing the plan. The sky is the limit on what the topic could be.

Councilman Shaw asked if the decision is to move forward with Councilman Black's idea. Does every entity represented on this board shares the cost equally?

Councilman Black stated the distributions would still be the same. The 20, 20, 20, 10, and 10 based on membership. Unless the board decide to change it.

For instance back in 2000, we didn't have a conservative regional effort on the census and our state was ranked 49<sup>th</sup> in the nation, in terms of census progress. Fast forward to 2010, through this organization, \$20,000 per entity to formalize an effort to do the census which moved us to the top 10. The board voted to have Purdue Marion and Associates oversee the 2020 census.

Councilman Shaw stated that the cost is not shared equally.

Councilman Black asked what the distribution is of the cost would be.

Councilman Shaw stated that the School District is not paying a portion and that everyone needs to understand that when voting on this they will have to contribute the funding.

Commissioner Jones stated that he was not making promises, but if the board decides to move forward with Councilman Black's proposal, he will petition his board for Clark County to step up with a larger portion of the funds for anything they vote on. Clark County is 50% of the population and Commissioner Jones can make that request to his board.

Commissioner Segerblom stated that if you don't want to participate, you don't have to contribute and you don't have to show up.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that to be clear, the Clark County School District is strapped and it is not fair to take from their budget. In this motion, will it state that the Clark County Commission will fund the School District portion?

Commissioner Jones stated they cannot make that promise, and that would require an amendment to the inter-local agreement, but if staff comes back with a recommendation, part of the recommendation can be that the School Board is to be exempt from paying a portion.

Marco Velotta stated that Councilman Black is going for a restructure, based on the motion.

Is that fairly accurate to summarize?

Councilman Black stated yes, it is.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that means disbanding and going to Carson City. It needs restructure, as we can't go from SNRPC to VSN.

Commissioner Jones stated, Madame Chair we can do a lot of things under our current legislative parameter and most of that can be done through the inter-local.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that it cannot. If the board changes its name, it has to go to Carson City, Commissioner Jones. Councilwoman Fiore votes in favor for restructure and it can be restructured the way Councilman Black has suggested.

Marco Vellota stated, Madam Chair, under restructure, the Planning Directors and Technical Committee would present whatever restructure options look like based upon the motion and if there are necessary amendments to the inter-local. The procedure for that is spelled out – needing to amend that through the governing bodies of each of the public entities.

Councilman Black asked if petitioning the NRS or changing the NRS would be applicable either way. When it goes away, we'll have to work with the state to accommodate that. If it changes names, format, shapes, and looks, it still has to go. Either way we're dealing with the State aspect of it?

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, stated that the answer is a qualified yes. It depends on the scope of what the changes would be. Remember what Commissioner Jones mentioned, there are some things you have to do. Then there is some latitude through the jurisdictions within the inter-local allowing for changes. If there are changes that would affect the enabling statues, you would have to go back to the legislature for that.

Trustee Brooks stated that she agrees with the whole alignment and collaboration, and this is something the region fails on monumentally. Part of this is due to disorganization, and the other part is that there are two parties of five here that want two different things; it is difficult to get everyone to go in the same direction, especially if they are divided out the gate.

If everyone is in agreement, Trustee Brooks would suggest not duplicating the work of other people, but aligning the strategies that the board is already doing and sharing the work that is already happening. The Clark County School District has a five-year strategic plan, and per Trustee Brooks the, values would be to have a conversation about how the board can achieve their goals, versus trying to invent new projects for SNRPC. There are many people doing a large amount of work in the community, and Trustee Brooks does not want to duplicate anything that the community is already doing. Trustee Brooks sees value in collaboration, working together, and finding ways to drive the work together; however, it actually has to happen. Sitting through presentations that can be watched online or accessed through some other means, and having to already sit through other presentations, is the last thing Trustee Brooks would want occur, as it may be a waste of someone's time. It is necessary to be very strategic and mindful of the fact that

everyone has other things to do. Trustee Brooks clarified that the School District does not have any money to contribute.

Is there a reason that the board has to stay in this format and that collaboration can't happen in a different format/structure? Does this have to be a legislatively, mandated work group, or can you have an agreement together in a different fashion, perhaps a little less formal and more productive?

Nancy Amundsen, Clark County, stated that during the 2017 Legislative session, the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition Act was eliminated. The requirement to have the Regional Planning Coalition is gone, and the act is gone as well. The act was very specific and descriptive, and that is what the inter-local agreement was based on. Going back onto the Chapter on 278 of NRS it does require a Regional Planning Coalition, but it doesn't require it to be called the Regional Planning Coalition; however, it does require a Regional Planning Coalition to be comprised of the County and the three largest Cities, and the act requires everyone else to be involved. The two things that were changed in 2017 were 1. Getting rid of the act, the prescriptive requirements that the board meets so many times a year. This required that the board looked at A, B, C, and D, and went back to NRS – required that there would be some sort of Planning Coalition. 2. Allow the RTC to administer the Regional Plan.

Michele Fiore, City of Las Vegas, asked the staff if they wanted to take the board and change it, because she wasn't under the impression of what Mrs. Amundsen mentioned from 2017. Can the board reconstruct or does it have to go to Carson City?

Michele Fiore was under the impression that in order to reconstruct SNRPC, they would have to go back to Carson City.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, stated that, for example, part of the board by virtue would be inter-local and would have to be amended. Whether the statute requires them to be a part of the board or not, they are a part of it due to the inter-local and that would have to be amended.

NRS 278.02535 enables the legislative to allow the board to give direction for a Regional Planning entity.

Councilman Stewart, City of Henderson, made it clear that the City of Henderson wants to collaborate with their neighbors. The last 18 months workshops were held, and the City of Henderson tried to give the group some leadership. Councilman Stewart asked Bill Marion with Purdue Marion and Associates to come up and speak about disbanding so that the board could start new, and have an inter-local agreement with those who wanted to be a part of the group.

Bill Marion, Purdue Marion and Associates, stated that through the workshops many of scenarios were evaluated, and there were various options/opportunities for the SNRPC to model themselves after.

The first option was to remain as the structure of SNRPC--have the same staffing and recognize that many of the issues that the board has with planning. The key element is a regional planning

entity, such as the Truckee Meadows Planning Coalition which is a prescriptive planning organization for the three members. The members include Washoe County, Reno, and Sparks.

There seemed to be no appetite through the workshops and discussions for the individual municipalities who made up the SNRPC to give up their own autonomy and their own planning structure, and turn that over to another entity to do. The planning component of the legislative prescription for the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition is a planning coalition, which might not be the prevue.

The most appealing option, mimics Councilman Black's, saying in his description, was the Mayors Council. Also, looking at the planning coalitions that were also not the MPO's. For example, Truckee Meadows is a planning coalition, not an MPO. Looking at the Colorado Mayors Council, they meet once a year in a retreat setting, and they determine what issues are of regional significance issues that are not handled by any other regional board and then they advocate for, or collaborate on, approaches for dealing with those issues.

During the workshop, the board decided that they did not want to stay as they are because it is ineffective, and for most people it seemed to be a waste of time. The second option was to disband, and the third option was to create an advocacy and forum for collaboration and for being a recommending body to other bodies to listen to the board's concerns. Purdue Marion and Associates recommended that the board have independent staff that does this. Relying on another entities' staff to do the work it eliminates the independence that the board has from the other organizations. The Colorado Mayors Council, the West Side Cities in Southern California, and the Los Alamos Laboratories Regional Coalition all do that, and they've created a staffing mechanism. They don't have to hire permanent staff, but they do it through a consultant.

Councilman Stewart stated that he wanted to make it clear to everyone on the board, including those who are new, that this matter has been discussed in depth and the members keep coming to the same conclusion.

Trustee Brooks mentioned that Bill Marion said there were other initiatives; there are ones out there that an external agency does a good job in driving this work to be done, or are they always just always ineffective?

Bill Marion stated that there is an association of regional councils. Looking at most states, for example, at Mississippi or Oklahoma, the regional councils represent anywhere from 20 to 40 different entities. In Alabama there are seven regional councils. Those regional councils have contiguous boundaries, but in one region there might be 80 school districts, 10 counties, and 20 or 30 cities. Southern Nevada is unique because in reality because there is one school district when talking about regional school issues, there is no reason for a regional council, as the school district represents the entire region. There are only four municipalities that make it up. In terms of a regional council, the membership is small. For example, the Colorado Mayors Council is forty different mayors representing a wide area of constituents. Another difference is that almost universally, with few exceptions, those regional councils are also the Metropolitan Planning Organizations or the Rural Planning Organizations for that region. This is a rare exception. The regional planning coalition in Southern Nevada is not an MPO. In addition, looking at Truckee

Meadows, they are not an MPO either, but the difference between the Regional Planning Coalition in Southern Nevada and Truckee Meadows is that Washoe, Reno, and Sparks have vested that planning authority in them, and that is not something that has been seen that these municipalities want to relinquish or turn over to another entity.

Trustee Brooke asked her fellow board members, what is it that we are trying to accomplish in this group and is this the structure to make that happen? Trustee Brooks feels as if she is on a different footing than the rest of the board members, because she represents a School District and they represent Cities and Counties. She is trying to find the relevance for herself on the SNRPC board.

Councilwoman Fiore replied to Trustee Brooks, that the problem with our relevance is like Bill Marion said, each of our Commission and Cities will not relinquish control, and the board has sat here for two years to think about what we want to do. In two years, we have not come to an agreement on what this board wants to do.

Councilman Black wanted to clarify to Councilman Shaw and Councilman Stewart that he was born in Henderson, and that he is a Henderson man, born at St. Rose de Lima Hospital 1970.

Councilman Black wanted to clarify that he is advocating for an experiment, one year to do something different than what has been done in recent years and definitely not do what has been done the last two years, and see if it works. Take a year and split it into two parts, define ourselves, and go through the list of achievements the board has accomplished that needs to be taken care of again, or start with a new issue that the group feels compassionate about and will make a noticeable difference in the community. Within the first six months if everything goes as planned, maybe look into hiring someone to keep up the momentum and not put the burden on staff from each entity.

Councilman Black acknowledged that the City of Henderson has put a lot of work into SNRPC as well as Johanna, since the inception of SNRPC, and he agrees with Councilman Shaw that each entity needs to contribute their fair share and put it in a higher archery' it is more about the participation and commitment, rather than the money, but it is also about the money as well.

Councilman Black's motion is the experimental motion, meet five times next year, starting first in January as the planning session, to carve out two issues that could be unique or piggy back issues, if they are similar issues, then collaborate with the other person. Define what it looks like, what is the end goal, what are the metrics to measure it, meet four times during the year, and go for it. This is the experimental "Go for it motion."

Councilwoman Fiore stated that she thought this was a disband and restructure. "You're that guy that a girl can't break up with because you convince her to come back, you're that guy."

Councilman Black stated that he thought they established with the legal counsel that they have the legal parameter at their disposal to restructure without busting a building down and putting it back together.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, responded as long as it falls within the scope of what you may do under NRS 278.02542 that wouldn't require breaking down and rebuilding of the coalition. If it turns out to be one of those issues that falls outside of the scope, then we'll have to address it at that time. If the two issues fall under the scope then you wouldn't have to disband to restructure.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that she would support Councilman Black's motion.

Councilman Stewart, stated that SNRPC had Purdue Marion and Associates do exactly what Councilman Black explained to do and the board came with up with nothing. Councilman Stewart wants to know how Councilman Black's motion will be different then what was suggested.

Councilman Black, stated that in his opinion, the board has been batting around options, formats, makeups, and scenarios; however, the board hasn't talked about what to do after the fact. Councilman Black is proposing that the board settle on a structure and what the group can do meeting four or five times a year. The answer could be zero, and that would be a "bummer." The board doesn't know who they are or what they are about yet.

Councilwoman Fiore, asked Bill Marion to speak again and to tell her what is going to be different in January then from the last 24 months.

Bill Marion, Purdue Marion and Associates, stated that he can't say that anything will be different because as Councilman Black has indicated, the board might find that nothing gets done. In regards to Councilman Black's experiment, the board will meet for a year and try to make something happen, coming up with a definition, not just talk about it, actually try to do it. This would still be a part of a planning process, but Councilman Black is talking about taking it to another level and seeing if the board can commit to a structure and to an agenda that does something. It depends on this board and its members whether or not that will change anything.

Councilwoman Seaman asked Bill Marion, after all this the examination, what do you recommend to this board?

Bill Marion, Purdue Marion and Associates, responded to Councilman Seaman that he and his firm are Switzerland in this situation. He cannot advise SNRPC to disband or to reconstruct. What Purdue Marion and Associates did was to advise on the fact that if SNRPC did want to reconstruct, the recommended model(s) that the board should look to follow. Bill Marion mentioned that what his firm recommended was don't just do it the same way the board has been doing it—it is better to disband rather than following the same path. The recommendation on this continuum is either do this or just don't do anything, which is Purdue Marion and Associates recommendation.

Councilwoman Seaman stated, then doing this would be doing something other than what has been done for the last 24 months, restructuring.

Bill Marion, responded to Councilwoman Seaman that is correct. Restructuring, transitioning those planning duties since SNRPC isn't a planning coalition, take the land use and turn that over to another regional entity, and then reconstruct SNRPC as an advisory/advocacy group for issues that are not currently handled by another regional body. That is another big difference between

most regional councils and this one. There are already regional entities that handle health, education, and clean air. As Chair Councilwoman Fiore stated, you don't want to duplicate what they are doing or intrude on that because there are already regional bodies doing that function. There are other issues like Commissioner Jones has said, Climate Change, if that is something regionally significant that the board would want to take on as an issue to advocate, then that is something SNRPC can do with this body. Resources have to be put into place, more resources than there already have, if the board is going to have any kind of impact.

Councilwoman Fiore stated that Councilman Black has a motion on the floor that she thought she was going to support. She has decided not to support that motion and to make the motion to let everyone vote.

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, asked Councilman Black, as part of his motion, what he would like staff to do.

Councilman Black responded to Marco Velotta, help us have an awesome meeting in January so we can get something going.

Councilman Shaw asked Councilman Black if he would consider an amendment to his motion, that in the event it passes, each entity comes back with a number from their respected municipalities that they are willing to contribute to support staff? Whatever we do, it is going to require staff and one of the reasons this board has been unsuccessful on moving anything forward, is that there hasn't been a paid staff to move forward. Every one of our municipalities, for example, our people are working at the maximum capacity, on just keeping up with what we have them doing. In the event we are going to do anything, we need to create our own budgets and cash, and that will have to come from us. If it takes a half a million dollars a year, are the municipalities willing to contribute that right now or in January hire staff to do whatever incredible things we are going to do?

Marco Velotta, City of Las Vegas, stated, Madam Chair to the entire board, there is an approved budget and work plan for this physical year through June 30, 2020.

Trustee Brooks stated that she would be willing to meet the board halfway and feels as if SNRPC does not need staff. She also feels that there is an external entity that would drive the work for SNRPC, if there was clearer direction of where they were trying to go; that is something that can be worked through. Trustee Brooks is more than willing to help find one, to drive the work and to help SNRPC to get organized, but without the board doing that, she is unsure that she would want to add another layer of staff and bureaucracy to a process that she doesn't think is efficient.

Councilwoman Fiore asked if it was possible to take this board on their "own time and dime" to meet and conclude.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, responded to Councilwoman Fiore that he would need to know more about the structure of that.

Councilwoman Fiore said it would include pizza, beer, and wine.

Seth Floyd, City of Las Vegas, responded that it would have to be considered a work session and be noticed. This board is subject to open meeting law.

Councilwoman Fiore, we have a motion by Councilman Black all those in favor say I. Oppose say Nay.

Marco Velotta asked Madame Secretary to roll call.

**Jennifer Penney, SNRPC Secretary,**

<b>Councilwoman Fiore:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Cherchio:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Black:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Bridges:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Trustee Brooks:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Jones:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Segerblom:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Shaw:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Stewart:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilwoman Seaman:</b>	<b>No</b>

**Yes: 5          No: 5**

Councilwoman Fiore, made another motion to disband this with the amendment that ROST has a home with RTC.

**Jennifer Penney, SNRPC Secretary,**

<b>Councilwoman Fiore:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Cherchio:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Black:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Bridges:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Trustee Brooks:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Jones:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Segerblom:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councilman Shaw:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilman Stewart:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councilwoman Seaman:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Yes: 6          No: 4**

Councilwoman Fiore, Councilman Black, I look forward into going to Carson City with you for restructure.

**Agenda Item 11. For possible action to approve the 2020 Master Meeting Schedule.**

Councilwoman Fiore asked if staff had any input on the 2020 meeting schedule based on the direction that was previously discussed.

Marco Velotta stated that based on the discussion today, the next meetings scheduled for the Coalition Board is September 24<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion of meeting in January, and if that is something agreed to, that can happen in the up and coming items.

Councilwoman Fiore made the motion to approve the 2020 Master Meeting Schedule.

**Agenda Item 12. For possible action to set the next date and location for a regular meeting of SNRPC Board currently scheduled for September 24, 2019 at 4:00 P.M., in the Clark County Commission Chambers.**

The Tuesday, September 24, 2019, Coalition Board meeting was canceled and will return on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the Clark County Commission Chambers.

No oppositions were made from the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones to set the next meeting date. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item 13.** Discussion regarding topics for future agenda items. Comments made during this portion of the agenda by individual Coalition Board Members shall refer solely to proposals for future agenda items and any discussion shall be limited to whether or not any such proposed item(s) is/are within the purview of the SNRPC Board and/or whether such proposed item(s) shall be placed on a future agenda. No discussion regarding the substance of any such proposed topic shall occur and no action shall be taken regarding the proposal.

**Agenda Item 14. Citizens Participation**

No citizen's participation was made.

**Agenda Item 15. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 P.M.