

**CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

September 15, 2004

CALL TO ORDER: 4:33 P.M.

ROLL CALL COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Michael L. Montandon
Mayor Pro Tempore William E. Robinson
Councilwoman Stephanie S. Smith
Councilman Shari Buck
Councilman Robert L. Eliason

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Gregory Rose
Assistant City Manager Dan Tarwater
City Attorney Sean McGowan
City Clerk Karen L. Storms
Finance Director Phil Stoeckinger
Parks & Recreation Director Michael Henley
Planning and Zoning Director Jory Stewart
Strategic Planning Director Eric Dabney

VERIFICATION: Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk

BUSINESS:

City Manager Gregory Rose asked that Item No. 2 be discussed first.

2. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BUSINESS LICENSING FUNCTION. (TABLED AUGUST 18, 2004)

Finance Director Phil Stoeckinger stated he had completed a license rate comparison study which looked at areas for revenue enhancement. It focused on identifying vendors utilized by the City but not licensed or domiciled within the City limits. Staff recommended a flat

fee of \$500 be charged to vendors whose goods or services purchased by the City exceeded \$10,000. Director Stoeckinger said the objective of the proposed change was to treat all vendors fairly and equitably. Mayor Montandon asked about unique circumstances such as vehicle purchases since no car dealerships were located within the City limits. Director Stoeckinger stated the ordinance would affect those businesses which established a physical presence in the City and sold or took orders. City Manager Rose added the ordinance included language stating the City Manager could waive fees in unique circumstances. Councilman Buck asked about the amount of the fee and City Manager Rose explained Staff would ensure the fee was consistent with fees charged by other entities.

ACTION: NO ACTION TAKEN

1. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT RESTRUCTURE.

Planning and Zoning Director Jory Stewart summarized the department reorganization and explained a net savings of \$75,000 would be realized. The reorganization was accomplished by combining Planning and Zoning with Community Development and reclassifying or restructuring some positions. City Manager Gregory Rose explained the new department would be called the "Planning and Development Department." Councilman Buck and Councilwoman Smith expressed concern that Director Stewart would be stretched too thin to the detriment of planning. City Manager Rose stated the Assistant City Manager over Development had not been factored into the reorganization. He said the plan was flexible if adjustments needed to be made and explained the final plan would be presented to Council on a future agenda.

ACTION: NO ACTION TAKEN

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public participation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Councilwoman Smith
SECOND: Councilman Buck
AYES: Mayor Montandon, Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson, Council Members Smith,
Buck and Eliason
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED: DECEMBER 1, 2004

/s/ Michael L. Montandon
Mayor Michael L. Montandon

Attest:

/s/ Karen L. Storms
Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk