

**CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

November 8, 2005

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: **COUNCIL PRESENT:**

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

EXCUSED:

Councilman Robert L. Eliason

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Gregory Rose
Acting City Attorney Carie Torrence
City Clerk Karen L. Storms
Economic Development Director Mike Majewski
Finance Director Phil Stoeckinger
Fire Chief Al Gillespie
Human Resources Director Ali R. Freeman
Parks & Recreation Director Mike Henley
Planning and Development Director Jory Stewart
Police Chief Mark Paresi
Public Works Director Jim Bell
Strategic Planning Director Eric Dabney
Assistant City Clerk Anita Sheldon

VERIFICATION: Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk

BUSINESS:

**1. DISCUSSION AND/OR DIRECTION REGARDING CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.**

City Manager Gregory Rose gave a presentation of the Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2006/07 - 2010/11. The program was created to identify major infrastructure improvements to meet the needs of the community and the funding

sources over the next five years. The purpose behind the creation of a CIP was to better coordinate multi-year projects, inform the community of future improvements and gain time to secure sites and financing which could possibly secure a positive impact on the City's bond rating.

City Manager Rose stated as the process was being developed, the vision document was carefully reviewed to identify the priorities of the community. A major goal was to maintain a healthy balance in the General Fund which was established by the City Council to be a minimum of 18%. Some funding options being considered were through bonds or the General Fund, which was a "pay-as-you-go" process. City Manager Rose advised a factor was included in the program to account for inflation which was in the range of 10-15% in the Las Vegas area.

The general categories considered during the creation of the program were the following:

- Essential - mandated by the government
- Desirable
- Acceptable
- Deferrable/Future - no funding source identified

The project categories were identical to the ones included in previous fiscal years. Some of the areas proposed for allocated funding in the CIP were as follows:

Community Development (\$2,846,000)

1. Continuation of commercial rehabilitation and the City entryway. City Manager Rose advised the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDO) recently released the plans for the City Entryway Program which should be completed in the near future.
2. An allocation of \$700,000 was proposed for the Neighborhood Beautification and Improvement program over a five-year period.
3. There was some focus on the Redevelopment Area Property Acquisition Program in the amount of \$1.6 million.
4. Projects funded by Redevelopment funds and grants were also included in the plan.

Flood Control (\$40 million)

1. Centennial Parkway Channel East (\$11.1 million)
2. The largest project was the Gowan Outfall at \$19.5 million.
3. Tropical Road Channel East (\$9.4 million)

Library District

Only one project was identified for the Library District which was the replacement of the HVAC system in the amount of \$50,000. City Manager Rose commented North Las Vegas was deficient in the number of libraries for a community this size. He also stated North Las Vegas was the only community in Nevada whose Library District did not participate in the State Consolidated Tax program. City Manager Rose encouraged Council to permit Staff to move forward during the next legislative session to attempt to include the North Las Vegas Library District in the program.

Municipal Facilities (\$115.9 million)

1. New City Hall Campus (\$113.3 million). City Manager Rose requested Council permit Staff to move forward with the design phase of the project in the next fiscal year.
2. City Hall Campus Remodel (\$2.3 million).

City Manager Rose advised an agreement was recently made with the federal government regarding compliance with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). The agreement was to improve the existing ADA standards for which \$326,000 was allocated.

City Manager Rose stated the municipal facilities projects would be funded by the General Fund. The new City Hall campus would require a debt service bond and a revenue stream was identified to retire the debt.

Parks and Recreation (\$213.5 million)

City Manager Rose stated projects were being funded by the Bureau of Land Management in the amount of \$190.7 million beginning in Fiscal Year 2006-07 and continuing through Fiscal Year 2009-10. Projects funded by other sources included a Multi-Gen Center which would be a combination senior and recreation center planned for presentation to Council in December 2005.

Public Safety - Fire (\$30.6 million)

City Manager Rose advised Fire Station 53 would be relocated to an area which would provide better response time to residents. The design was scheduled to begin in 2006 at an estimated cost of \$6.5 million. Fire Station 57 was currently under design and construction should be completed in May 2006 at a cost of \$2.4 million. Equipment replacement over the next five years was projected to be \$2.3 million and the cost to remodel Fire Station 54 was approximately \$354,000.

City Manager Rose stated some of the projects planned over the next five years for the Fire Department would be funded by developer contributions and grants, including the addition of two new Fire Stations.

In response to a question by Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson, City Manager Rose stated Fire Station 53 would be relocated on property purchased by the City near Desert Horizon Park. Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson expressed concern that there was not enough protection in the downtown area. City Manager Rose responded Fire Station 51, located on East Carey Avenue, would be refurbished and replaced sometime in the future.

Public Safety - Police (\$30.2 million)

City Manager Rose advised \$16.8 million was being proposed for a Downtown Central Police Precinct with medium-term bonds to fund the project. A North Central Precinct was being proposed on BLM property to be auctioned off on November 16, 2005 and funded by developer contributions. Range improvements over the next five years would cost approximately \$2.7 million, also funded by a medium-term bond. Expansion of the culinary function at the Detention Center would cost approximately \$276,000.

Technology (\$11.1 million)

Projects in Fiscal Year 2006-07 included Southern Nevada Area Communications Council (SNACC) radio system, Oracle migration which is a three-year project, personal computers and servers

Projects scheduled for Fiscal Year 2007-08 included citizen relationship management which is a tracking system for citizen complaints, office business continuity, Corel maintenance, Oracle 11i migration and enterprise cashing.

Fiscal Year 2009-11 projects included technology refresh servers, personal computers and technology refresh infrastructure.

All technology improvements would be funded by the General Fund, with the exception of the SNACC.

Transportation (\$269.million)

Projects funded by the Clark County Flood Control District were in the amount of \$44.7 million and included the Centennial Parkway Channel East, Gowan Outfall-Lone Mountain System, Lamb Boulevard improvements and the Tropical Road Channel East.

Projects funded by the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), in the amount of \$6.6 million, included the Craig Road grade separation, the Craig Road landscaping Phases I and II and the dual left turn lane project.

Projects funded by the Regional Transportation Commission over the next five years included traffic safety capacity and safety improvements, Ann Road improvements, bus turnouts, Craig Road grade separation, Lamb Boulevard and Losee Road improvements, the North 5th Street Super Arterial, Phases I and II, Simmons Street Improvements, Phase I, and the traffic signal program.

Other projects would be funded by the Tax Override Fund over the next five years, including a major street rehabilitation program, Department of Justice (DOJ) sidewalk compliance and Losee Road improvements.

Projects funded by Special Improvement Districts totaled \$24.9 million and projects funded by Traffic Cost Participation Agreements totaled \$5.3 million over the next five years.

Utilities - Sewer (\$146.2 million)

A water reclamation was being proposed at a cost of \$126.5 million which would take three years to complete. Other projects included an A-Channel sewer interceptor, a northeast sewer interceptor, sewer pipeline rehabilitation, sewer oversizing and sewer manhole rehabilitation.

Utilities - Water (\$21.9 million)

An automated meter-reading program was being proposed at a cost of \$7.7 million. Other projects proposed over the next five years were a 2330-zone water transmission main, the Deer Springs Zone Reservoir, reservoir repainting, water system bolstering pipelines, waterline oversizing and water system security upgrades.

City Manager Rose advised a consulting company was selected to conduct a study on the replacement of City vehicles over the next five years.

City Manager Rose summarized the presentation by stating \$881,971,243 was proposed for the Capital Improvement Plan over the next five years and staffing would be increased by 175.8 FTE's. He emphasized the plan focused on community goals and needs and the maintenance of a sound financial condition. City Manager Rose stated the plan would also continue to allow the City to move forward in incrementally reducing the property tax rate.

In response to a concern raised by Mayor Montandon regarding the staffing increase over the next five years, City Manager Rose stated an audit was conducted by Management Partners and the results would be presented to Council at the November 16th meeting. Also, a staffing program was being developed for all City departments which would be available for presentation in January 2006.

In response to a question by Councilman Buck, City Manager Rose stated the Losee Road improvements would continue until Fiscal Year 2008-09 at an approximate cost of \$5.5 million. Public Works Director Jim Bell explained the improvements to Losee Road would be done in phases prior to the main construction. Signals were being installed when possible, additional lanes were added to the problem areas and staff was working with developers to put together a roadway plan for the area. Director Bell advised Clark County was also moving forward with construction of connections to the Beltway. Councilman Buck asked Director Bell if it were possible to move the schedule up to complete the project sooner. Director Bell responded he would check to see what the obstacles were regarding the funding from the RTC.

In response to a question by Councilman Buck, Director Bell stated the City was currently in the process of acquiring property for the Craig Road grade separation which should be completed in 2008.

City Manager Rose advised the proposed Capital Improvement Plan would be presented at the second meeting in December for Council consideration.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public participation.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:38 P.M.

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

APPROVED: February 15, 2006

Mayor Michael L. Montandon

ATTEST:

Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk