

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

March 4, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

4:33 P.M., Council Chambers, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT

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

COUNCIL EXCUSED

Councilman Robert L. Eliason

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Gregory E. Rose
Assistant City Manager Maryann Ustick
City Attorney Carie Torrence
Acting City Clerk Anita Sheldon
Fire Chief Al Gillespie
Public Works Director Dr. Qiong Liu
Chief Deputy City Clerk Jennifer Snyder
Deputy City Clerk Adelmira Tapia-Rojas

VERIFICATION

Anita Sheldon
Acting City Clerk

BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING THE APPEALS PROCESS AND FUNDING OPTIONS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY.**

Public Works Director Dr. Qiong Liu explained that the presentation was a follow-up to the October 15, 2009 presentation. At that meeting, the City Council directed staff to

establish a process for citizens to appeal to the City Council if they received a denial from the Traffic and Parking Advisory Board. Staff was also directed to identify funding options for the installation of traffic calming devices.

Director Liu said that staff presented an eight step process at the October meeting and she explained that the process included a petition for study, traffic problem identification analysis and point system to identify appropriate counter measures. If the points were less than ten, passive traffic calming counter measures could be used. If the points were greater than ten, passive and active traffic calming counter measures could be used. Once the process was completed, staff would work with the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments to identify a plan that would address specific concerns. After the plan was developed, it would be presented to the Traffic and Parking Advisory Board and majority property owners for concurrence. Director Liu explained that if a threshold of 75% of neighborhood concern was met, staff would proceed for Council approval. If the 75% threshold had not been met, then the plan could be refined or the effort would be terminated as directed by the Traffic and Parking Advisory Board. If the citizens disagreed with the decision to deny, the appeals process could be used. The process required a request, in writing, to the City Clerk's Office explaining the reasons for the appeal, the actions taken and the plan that was denied by the Traffic and Parking Advisory Board. A public hearing date would be set for Council action. Once the City Council made a decision for approval, then the plan would be implemented. Director Liu explained that after the implementation stage, monitoring and evaluation of the counter measure plan would be required.

Director Liu explained funding for passive measures would be absorbed as part of the operating budget. Active measure options included funding from the capital improvement plan for specific locations, usage of Fund 268 or Contingency Fund for critical situations and Community Development Block Grant Funding in an eligibility area. She explained one exception would be a neighborhood willing to fund 100% of the implementation plan. Mayor Montandon confirmed that the equivalent to a special improvement district would be an existing neighborhood association. Director Liu explained that special improvement district implementations had minimal cost but would not be beneficial for establishment. Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson asked if the cost per neighborhood was determined. Director Liu explained it was dependent upon the type of counter measures to be implemented and was specific to the case and location.

ACTION: POLICY ADOPTED

MOTION: Councilwoman Smith

SECOND: Mayor Montandon

AYES: Mayor Montandon, Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson, Councilmembers Smith and Buck

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Councilman Eliason

ABSTAIN: None

2. **PRESENTATION BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS ON THE BLUEPRINT FOR NEVADA.**

ACTION: WITHDRAWN

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public participation.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:44 P.M.

MOTION: Councilwoman Smith

SECOND: Mayor Montandon

AYES: Mayor Montandon, Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson, Councilmembers
Smith and Buck

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Councilman Eliason

ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED: April 15, 2009

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Anita Sheldon
Anita Sheldon
Acting City Clerk