

**NORTH LAS VEGAS LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES**

July 24, 2007

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CALL TO ORDER

5:00 P.M., Council Chambers, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Vice Chairwoman Nona Whipple
Trustee Monica Beasley
Trustee Felizia Hernandez
Trustee Rita Langford
Trustee Gloralea Tidwell
Trustee Aaron Tippetts, Jr.

EXCUSED

Chairwoman Vernie Borgersen

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Administrative Officer Gregory E. Rose
Assistant City Manager Sam Chambers
Acting Library Director Kathy Pennell
Deputy City Attorney Noel Eidsmore
Chief Deputy City Clerk Anita Sheldon
Records Manager Jennifer Snyder
Deputy City Clerk Marie Purcell

WELCOME

Vice Chairwoman Nona Whipple

VERIFICATION

Jennifer Snyder
Records Manager

AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF THE NORTH LAS VEGAS LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA OF JULY 24, 2007.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Langford

SECOND: Trustee Tippetts

AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen

ABSTAIN: None

BUSINESS

2. APPROVAL OF NORTH LAS VEGAS LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2007.

ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED:

CHANGE ITEM NO. 5, SECOND PARAGRAPH, LAST SENTENCE FROM 100,000 TO 60,000 BOOKS

MOTION: Trustee Langford

SECOND: Trustee Beasley

AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen

ABSTAIN: None

3. AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION THROUGH THE STATE LIBRARY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FOR A 2008 LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT GRANT TO FUND A PORTION OF THE OPENING DAY COLLECTION FOR THE NEW LIBRARY.

ACTION: AUTHORIZATION GIVEN

MOTION: Trustee Langford
SECOND: Trustee Tippetts
AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen
ABSTAIN: None

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONCEPT OF LOCATING A PERFORMING ARTS THEATER ON THE LIBRARY/PARK PROPERTY IN THE PARK HIGHLANDS DEVELOPMENT.

Marcia Blake, 1804 Firefly Ranch Lane, North Las Vegas, Secretary of the Rosel Seastrand Arts Foundation, explained the foundation was a non-profit organization that performed productions utilizing volunteers and donations to benefit seniors of North Las Vegas through the James Seastrand Helping Hands senior organization. There were no theaters for performing arts in North Las Vegas. The foundation had performed for seven years in various locations, which proved to be problematic. Ms. Blake noted there were many performing arts groups and students in and around North Las Vegas which had to perform in other cities. Due to high demand, it was difficult to reserve performance dates.

Ms. Blake requested the City's support for construction of a separate theater on the grounds of the new library at 1755 West Alexander Road. The Clark County Library District had funded construction of a theater in the Centennial Hills Library, with a budget of \$22 million. As a non-profit organization, the Rosel Seastrand Arts Foundation qualified for discounted pricing to build a theater. They would also hold fund raisers and involve the community in the construction of the theater, which would include a gallery, to develop the community's interest in the theater. The estimated cost was \$18 million. The Olympia Group agreed to construct the theater if the foundation secured space to lease. Ms. Blake stated there were many events for which the library and community could use the theater. Groups from outside North Las Vegas could rent the theater when available, and profits would benefit citizens of North Las Vegas.

The Library Board was enthusiastic about the project. Chief Administrative Officer Gregory Rose stated the Library Board's action would be brought to the Parks and Recreation Board for further review.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Langford
SECOND: Trustee Tippetts
AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen
ABSTAIN: None

5. APPROVAL TO SET REGULAR MEETING DATES, TIMES AND PLACES FOR BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2007/2008.

Vice Chairwoman Whipple proposed the Board maintain the current schedule in which the meetings were held on the fourth Tuesday of the months of July, September, November, January, March and May at 5:00 P.M. in the North Las Vegas City Council Chambers.

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Langford
SECOND: Trustee Tippetts
AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen
ABSTAIN: None

6. UPDATE ON THE ALEXANDER LIBRARY.

Acting Library Director Kathy Pennell reported the design of the library was ahead of schedule. The projected completion date for the design was mid-September. Construction was expected to start in mid-January and would take about 12 months. The library was projected to open in February or March 2009. The design of the associated 1 ½ acre park was complete. The park included two tot lots, covered seating, turf areas and walk paths.

ACTION: UPDATE GIVEN

STAFF REPORT

Acting Library Director Kathy Pennell stated she had scheduled a training session for local Library Boardmembers on Saturday, August 25, 2007 at 9:30 A.M. in the Main Library Meeting Room on Civic Center Drive. Former chairman and boardmember of the Las Vegas/Clark County Library District, Mo Dennis, would conduct the training.

PUBLIC FORUM

Joe Dabrowski, 616 Barite Canyon Drive, North Las Vegas spoke on behalf of James Seastrand Helping Hands. He said the organization provided transportation, items and services to seniors to help them continue to live at home. He supported the performing arts theater for the Rosel Seastrand Arts Foundation as the performances helped fund the non-profit organization.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:31 P.M.

MOTION: Trustee Langford

SECOND: Trustee Tippetts

AYES: Vice Chairwoman Whipple, Trustees Beasley, Langford, Hernandez, Tidwell and Tippetts

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Chairwoman Borgersen

ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED: September 25, 2007

Vernie Borgersen, Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk