

**WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSION  
RENO CITY COUNCIL  
SPARKS CITY COUNCIL**

TUESDAY

9:00 A.M.

FEBRUARY 19, 2002

JOINT MEETING

PRESENT:

Pete Sferrazza, Washoe County Commission, Chairman  
Joanne Bond, Washoe County Commission, Vice Chairman  
Jim Galloway, Washoe County Commission  
Ted Short, Washoe County Commission

Jeff Griffin, City of Reno, Mayor  
Dave Aiazzi, Reno City Councilmember  
Sherrie Doyle, Reno City Councilmember  
Toni Harsh, Reno City Councilmember  
Pierre Hascheff, Reno City Councilmember  
Jessica Sferrazza-Hogan, Reno City Councilmember

Geno Martini, Sparks City Councilmember  
Phillip Salerno, Sparks City Councilmember  
Ron Schmitt, Sparks City Councilmember

ABSENT:

Jim Shaw, Washoe County Commission  
Dave Rigdon, Reno City Councilmember  
Tony Armstrong, City of Sparks, Mayor  
Mike Carrigan, Sparks City Councilmember  
John Mayer, Sparks City Councilmember

The Board and Councils met in joint session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Also present were Washoe County Manager Katy Singlaub, Deputy District Attorney Paul Lipparelli, County Clerk Amy Harvey, Reno City Manager Charles McNeely, Reno Deputy City Attorney Marilyn Craig, Reno City Clerk Don Cook, Sparks City Manager Shaun Carey, Sparks City Attorney Chester Adams, and Sparks Deputy City Clerk Lenda Azcarate. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerks called the rolls for their respective entities, and the Board and Councils conducted the following business:

## **AGENDA**

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Short, for Washoe County, by Councilmember Aiazzi, seconded by Councilmember Sferrazza-Hogan, for the City of Reno, and by Councilmember Salerno, seconded by Councilmember Martini, for the City of Sparks, which motions duly carried, the agenda for the February 19, 2002, joint meeting was approved.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sam Dehne, a Reno citizen, expressed his dissatisfaction with local governmental entities.

### **02-164      COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CASE NO. CP01-012 & RENO MASTER PLAN CASE NO. LDC02-00211 - SILVER STATE KENNELS**

**9:00 a.m.**      This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the Reno Gazette-Journal on February 8, 2002, for the Washoe County Board of Commissioners and the Reno City Council to jointly consider Comprehensive Plan Amendment Case No. CP01-012 and Reno Master Plan Case No. LDC02-00211 (Washoe County Board of County Commissioners on behalf of Silver State Kennels) and Administrative Change to Land Use Table, a request to amend the Reno Stead Corridor Joint Plan, a component of the North Valleys Area Plan, being a part of the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan and the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan, a Reno Master Plan element. The amendment request would redesignate Assessor's Parcel Number 552-190-05 from the land use category of Medium Density Suburban/Suburban Residential MDS/SR to Low Density Suburban/Rural Residential (LDS/RR). The parcel considered for the land use change totals +3.88 acres and is located at 600 Lemmon Drive. The request will require joint approval of the City of Reno and the Washoe County Planning Commission in joint session and the respective governing bodies and a determination of conformance by the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Commission. The parcel is found within the Lemmon Valley Hydrographic Basin, in Section 9, T20N, R19E, MDM, Washoe County, Nevada. Administrative changes to the area plans are necessary to reflect the changes requested within this application including a revised table of land use. The table of land uses must be revised to reflect the redesignation of 3.88 acres of MDS/SR to LDS/RR. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Chairman Sferrazza opened the public hearing on behalf of Washoe County. Mayor Griffin opened the public hearing on behalf of the City of Reno.

Sharon Kvas, Washoe County Department of Community Development Planner, provided background and historical information regarding subject property displaying maps and charts on the overhead and describing the proposed changes Silver State Kennels wishes to make.

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**9:25 a.m.** County Commissioner Galloway and Reno Councilmember Harsh arrived  
at the meeting.  
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Councilmember Doyle and County Commissioner Bond each disclosed that they previously met with the applicant and/or the applicant's representative.

Ben Veach, Summit Engineering, representing Silver State Kennels, was present to respond to questions and reported that the Citizen and Neighborhood Advisory Boards and both Planning Commissions supported his client's proposal.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Short, on behalf of Washoe County, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Comprehensive Plan Amendment Case No. CP01-012 be approved; and on motion by Councilmember Doyle, seconded by Councilmember Aiazzi, on behalf of the City of Reno, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Reno Master Plan Case No. LDC02-00211 be approved, both Boards having made the following findings:

1. The proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan and the Washoe County North Valleys Area Plan are in substantial compliance with the policies and action programs of the Reno Master Plan and the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan.
2. The proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan, the North Valleys Area Plan, the Reno Master Plan, and Washoe County Comprehensive Plan will provide for land uses compatible with existing and planned adjacent land uses and will not adversely impact the public health, safety or welfare.
3. The proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan, the North Valleys Area Plan, the Reno Master Plan, and the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan respond to existing conditions that occurred prior to the plans adoption by the City of Reno Council and the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners, and the requested amendments represent a more desirable use of land.
4. The proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan and the North Valleys Area Plan will not adversely affect the implementation of the policies and action programs of the Conservation Element, the Population Element, and/or the Housing Element of the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan or the Reno Master Plan.
5. The proposed amendment to the Reno Stead Joint Plan, the North Valleys Area Plan, the Reno Master Plan, and the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan will provide necessary services to the area.

6. The proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan and the North Valleys Area Plan is the second amendment to the Plan in 2001, and therefore does not exceed the three permitted amendments as specified in Section 110.820.05 of the Washoe County Development Code.
7. The Joint Planning Commission public hearing, prior to action on the proposed amendments to the Reno Stead Joint Plan, the North Valleys Area Plan, the Reno Master Plan, and the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan, and the related changes to the maps and table of land uses of the plan, has been properly noticed in a newspaper of general circulation in the County as prescribed under NRS 278.210(1).
8. The Joint Planning Commission gave reasoned consideration to information contained within the staff report and information received during the public hearing.
9. The City of Reno Council and the Washoe County Commission gave reasoned consideration to information contained within the reports transmitted by the Joint Planning Commission and the information received during the joint public hearing.

**02-165            CONSOLIDATION OF GOVERNMENTS COMMITTEES -  
TIMELINES AND PROCESS**

Each entity reported their committee appointments. It was noted that both Washoe County and the City of Reno had appointed 3 members each to the Governance, Labor and Legislation Committee and it was agreed that one of each would be designated as an alternate so there would only be two members from each entity. Councilmember Harsh and Commissioner Bond volunteered to be the alternates. The following committees/memberships were established:

**Governance, Labor and Legislation:**

Reno Councilmember Rigdon  
Reno Councilmember Sferrazza-Hogan  
Sparks Mayor Armstrong  
Sparks Councilmember Carrigan  
County Commission Chairman Sferrazza  
County Commissioner Shaw

**Finance and Taxation:**

Reno Councilmember Aiazzi  
Reno Mayor Griffin  
Sparks Councilmember Martini  
Sparks Councilmember Schmitt  
County Commissioner Galloway  
County Commission Chairman Sferrazza

**Land Use:**

Reno Councilmember Hascheff  
Reno Councilmember Doyle  
Sparks Councilmember Mayer  
Sparks Councilmember Salerno  
County Commissioner Short  
County Commissioner Galloway

Commissioner Galloway reported he has been contacted by the Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID) and the Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID), both of which are requesting that the GID's be treated on an equal basis as official representatives of government agencies and be allowed to participate in this process. There was general consensus that GID participation would be a good idea.

Reno Councilmember Doyle stated labor should be a separate committee because just combining law enforcement personnel would affect over 1200 employees. Mayor Griffin and Chairman Sferrazza both stated they felt it was appropriate to have labor under governance and suggested that committee may want to have separate meetings just for the labor issue, but the decision should be left up to that committee.

Sam Dehne, a Reno citizen, expressed his concern that the Open Meeting Law is not being followed and stated that he would not want the City of Reno in charge of anything if the local governments consolidate.

William Horn, General Manager, Incline Village General Improvement District, advised that at their meeting last Wednesday night, the Trustees appointed 9 citizens plus each of themselves to a Consolidation Delegation Committee because the residents of Incline Village have great interest in this issue. He stated that Incline Village represents somewhere between 11 and 14 percent of the total assessed valuation in Washoe County, but only 3 percent of the population; and they would like to have official representation on each of these three consolidation committees.

On motion by Councilmember Aiazzi, seconded by Councilmember Sferrazza-Hogan, on behalf of the City of Reno, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Short, on behalf of Washoe County, and on motion by Councilmember Martini, seconded by Councilmember Schmitt, on behalf of the City of Sparks, which motions duly carried, it was ordered that the makeup of the committees be approved as outlined above. It was further ordered that IVGID and all other elected officials be provided copies of all committee meeting agendas so they can participate in the meetings.

Noting the timeline for preparing and placing a question on the ballot for the citizens to express their views concerning consolidation, including the pro/con arguments, the Boards then established the following dates for each committee's first meetings. Several Board members expressed doubt about how much they will be able to ac-

compish in such a short timeframe, but all agreed they should start the process and see how far they can get.

**Land Use:**

Monday, February 25, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. at Reno City Hall

**Governance, Labor and Legislation:**

Tuesday, February 26, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. at Sparks City Hall

**Finance and Taxation:**

Wednesday, February 27, 2002, at 6:00 p.m. at the Washoe County  
Administrative Complex, Caucus Room

Councilmember Aiazzi suggested that, at their first meeting, each committee should set its own agenda and meeting schedule, and that they should plan to present final reports and possible recommendations from each committee to the full Board and Councils at the May, 2002 joint meeting.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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**PETER J. SFERRAZZA**, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

**ATTEST:**    **AMY HARVEY**, County Clerk

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*Minutes Prepared by  
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