BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

TUESDAY <u>2:00 P.M.</u> JULY 10, 2007

PRESENT:

Bob Larkin, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairman*
Jim Galloway, Commissioner
David Humke, Commissioner
Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

Amy Harvey, County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel

The Board met in regular session in the Health Department Conference Rooms A and B, Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, stated the Chairman and Board of County Commissioners intend that their proceedings should demonstrate the highest levels of decorum, civic responsibility, efficiency and mutual respect between citizens and their government. The Board respects the right of citizens to present differing opinions and views, even criticism, but our democracy cannot function effectively in an environment of personal attacks, slander, threats of violence, and willful disruption. To that end, the Nevada Open Meeting Law provides the authority for the Chair of a public body to maintain the decorum and to declare a recess if needed to remove any person who is disrupting the meeting, and notice is hereby provided of the intent of this body to preserve the decorum and remove anyone who disrupts the proceedings.

*2:15 p.m. Commissioner Weber arrived.

07-784 AGENDA

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, stated Item 39, second reading and adoption of an Ordinance amending the Washoe County Code at Chapter 25 by repealing regulations related to Service of Complaint Actions against Business Licenses would be heard during the July 24, 2007 meeting at 5:30 p.m. with a Business Impact Statement. She explained the public hearing would not be opened; however, public comment, if any, would be heard on this item today.

In response to the call for public comment, Guy Felton said he was opposed to the agenda and commented the decorum statement violated free speech. Sam Dehne said he was opposed to the two-minute time limit for public speakers. Gary Schmidt opposed the agenda and remarked this was not a citizen friendly event.

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the agenda for the July 10, 2007 meeting be approved.

07-785 <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>

George Bay commented on the County allowing private citizens to take over County property. He explained in his East Lake neighborhood several citizens were allowed to build fences on County property near a highway forcing young children, equestrians and others to walk out into the highway. Mr. Bay submitted pictures illustrating his concerns, which were placed on file with the Clerk.

Jan Chastain commented on the County voting system and the Sequoia voting machines.

Robert Cameron spoke on the Transfer Stations located in the South Valleys.

Toni Harsh distributed a letter from Judge Kenneth Howard endorsing Ms. Harsh's name being placed on the dedication plaque for the Mills B. Lane Justice Center, which was placed on file with the Clerk. Ms. Harsh stated she worked many hours on the joint project of the Justice Center and felt it fitting her name be placed on the plaque along with the others.

Guy Felton spoke on the electronic voting machines and voter fraud.

Sam Dehne voiced his opinion concerning the chambers remodel.

Melanie Goodsell, Dennis Goodsell, John VanderMeer, Terry Tiernay, and Dan Herman spoke on the roaming cattle in the Warm Springs/Palomino Valley area and the unauthorized use of their water rights by the cattlemen. They each read a portion of a statement outlining their concerns, which were placed on file with the Clerk. Mr. Goodsell said pursuant to NRS 533.480 the use of public waters without a valid right to do so was a misdemeanor and those using water without rights should be held accountable. Mr. Tiernay indicated he would be composing a letter to the Attorney General outlining the County's apparent long term condoning of the cattlemen's use of water without rights.

Gary Schmidt spoke on the concerns of the citizens in Palomino Valley, the cattle roaming through their property, and the illegal acts of cattle grazing in the County. He commented on the Chairman's rule for applause within the chambers and remarked it was subjective to whom the Chairman allowed to applaud.

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COMMISSIONERS'/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Sferrazza requested staff review the earlier comments regarding the Warm Springs/Palomino Valley discussions and the outcome of the previous hearing concerning roaming cattle.

07-786 <u>2007 PROJECT OF THE YEAR - ENVIRONMENTAL UNDER \$2M</u> <u>AWARD - INCLINE VILLAGE FAIRWAY PHASE III - PUBLIC</u> WORKS

Shelley Read, Vice President of the Nevada Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA), explained the criteria used in determining the Project of the Year. On behalf of the APWA, Ms. Read presented the award to Kimble Corbridge, Senior Licensed Engineer. Mr. Corbridge thanked APWA for their acknowledgement and the Board for their support.

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Corbridge, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the "2007 Project of the Year - Environmental under \$2M" Award for the Incline Village Fairway Phase III - Country Club Water Quality Improvement Project from the Nevada Chapter of American Public Works Association be accepted.

07-787 <u>APPEARANCE - STEVE MINICK - SPRING 2007 WASHOE</u> COUNTY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Steve Minick, Washoe County Leadership Academy Representative, presented a plaque to the Board on behalf of the Leadership Academy for the Board's support and commitment to the participants. He gave an overview of the Academy and the benefits gained by attending.

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne remarked on the Leadership Academy and their curriculum. Gary Schmidt spoke on County government and how the public should attend more meetings.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the plaque presented by the Washoe County Leadership Academy to the Board of County Commissioners be accepted.

2:45 p.m. Commissioner Humke temporarily left the meeting.

DISCUSSION ON CONSENT AGENDA

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne remarked on the controversy concerning the plaque for the Mills B. Lane Justice Center.

07-788 MINUTES

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 19, 2007 be approved.

07-789 REAPPOINTMENT - BOARD OF EQUALIZATION - MANAGER

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that Mr. James Covert be reappointed to the Board of Equalization with a term to expire on June 30, 2011.

07-790 <u>APPOINTMENT - WEST TRUCKEE MEADOWS CITIZEN</u> ADVISORY BOARD - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that William Welch be appointed as an At-Large (West of McCarran) member until June 30, 2009, and temporarily change Sheri Coleman's At-Large (West of McCarran) member designation to an At-Large (East of McCarran) member position until 2009, on the West Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board.

07-791 <u>FINANCIAL REPORT - WASHOE COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL</u> FUNDS - FINANCE

Upon recommendation of Trish Gonzales, Comptroller, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that the Interim Financial Report for Washoe County Governmental Funds for the eleven months ended May 31, 2007 - unaudited be accepted.

07-792 <u>RESOLUTION - LEVYING TAX RATES - FINANCE</u>

Upon recommendation of Anna Heenan, Senior Fiscal Analyst, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the following resolution be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same:

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RESOLUTION LEVYING TAX RATES FOR ALL WASHOE COUNTY ENTITIES FOR THE 2007/08 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Nevada Tax Commission has certified the combined tax rates for the 2007/08 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners are required, pursuant to NRS 361.460, to levy the tax rates for all local government entities in Washoe County for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2007, and to designate the number of cents of each \$100 of property levied for each fund; and

WHEREAS, to confirm to the Nevada Department of Taxation the tax rates levied, the Department of Taxation has requested county commissioners to adopt the resolution levying the tax rates of all local entities pursuant to NRS 361.460 and forward a copy of the Resolution to the Department;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County, Nevada, hereby levy the tax rates for all local government entities in Washoe County as such rates have been certified by the Nevada Tax Commission;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the tax rates for all local government entities in Washoe County for the fiscal year 2007/08 as certified and levied are shown on the exhibits placed on file with the Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is herby directed to distribute copies of this Resolution along with all attachments to the Nevada Department of Taxation, the Cities of Reno and Sparks, the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, the Washoe County Treasurer, the Comptroller, and the Finance Director.

07-793 <u>JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT - JUVENILE</u> <u>JUSTICE COMMISSION - JUVENILE SERVICES</u>

In response to Chairman Larkin, Carol Galantuomini, Juvenile Services Division Director, responded to his concerns regarding the probation officer position.

Upon recommendation of Ms. Galantuomini, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that the fiscal year 2007/08 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant from the Juvenile Justice Commission to fund a probation officer position, in the amount of \$65,797 with a County match of \$16,610.70, be accepted. It was further ordered that the Finance Department be directed to make the necessary budget adjustments.

07-794 <u>AWARD OF BID - UNDERWATER INSPECTION AND</u> <u>CLEANING OF POTABLE AND RECLAIMED WATER</u> STORAGE TANKS - BID NO. 2559-07 - WATER RESOURCES

This was the time to consider award of bid for Underwater Inspection and Cleaning of Potable and Reclaimed Water Storage Tanks for the Utility Services Division of the Washoe County Water Resources Department.

Bids were received from the following vendors:

LiquiVision Technology Inc. Extech, LLC EST LEC Corporation Aqua-Tech Company

Upon recommendation of Mike Burdett, Buyer, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that Bid No. 2559-07 for Underwater Inspection and Cleaning of Potable and Reclaimed Water Storage Tanks for the Utility Services Division of the Washoe County Water Resources Department be awarded to Aqua-Tech Company the lowest responsive, responsible bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated amount of \$63,600 per year for the two year contract, with the County having the option for a one year extension. Services shall be used and procured on an as-needed basis.

07-795 RESOLUTION - PETTY CASH FUND - ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE - TREASURER

Upon recommendation of Bill Berrum, Treasurer, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the following resolution be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County, pursuant to NRS 354.609, has the authority to create and fund change and petty cash fund accounts; and

WHEREAS, The Washoe County Alternate Public Defender's office has requested a petty cash fund in the amount of \$500 to assist in the administration of that office; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA, as follows:

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- 1. That, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 354.609, the County Treasurer and the County Comptroller are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to establish and account for a \$500 petty cash fund for the Washoe County Alternate Public Defender's Office.
- 2. That the above \$500 will be transferred from the Washoe County Treasurer's Commercial Bank Account.
- 3. That said petty cash fund be used exclusively for transactions related to The Washoe County Alternate Public Defender's Office.
- 4. That the Alternate Public Defender shall henceforth be held accountable for the petty cash fund authorized by this resolution, and has agreed to insure compliance with the Washoe County Cash Handling Policy.
- 5. That the County Clerk is directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Washoe County Treasurer, Comptroller, Internal Auditor, Alternate Public Defender's Office, and the Nevada Department of Taxation.

07-796 AGREEMENT - RENO TENNIS CLUB - USE AND MAINTENANCE OF WASHOE COUNTY TENNIS COURTS PARKS

Upon recommendation of Al Rogers, Regional Parks and Open Space Assistant Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that an agreement between Washoe County and the Reno Tennis Club, concerning the use and maintenance of the Washoe County Tennis Courts at 2335 Moana Lane, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign upon presentation.

07-797 WATER RIGHTS DEED/AGREEMENT - ROYCE WC PARTNERS, LLC - SIERRA TRIPLE NET, LTD - WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Vahid Behmaram, Water Rights Manager, and Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the Water Rights Deed conveying 7.00 acre-feet of Truckee River water rights from Royce WC Partners, LLC on behalf of Sierra Triple Net, Ltd., and the Associated Agreement between Washoe County and Sierra Triple Net, Ltd., be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same. It was further ordered that the Water Rights Manager be directed to record both documents.

07-798 SCOPE OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND ACTION - STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS

Upon recommendation of Aaron Kenneston, Emergency Management Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the Scope of Cooperative Agreement and Action between Washoe County and the State of Nevada, concerning Statewide Interoperable Communications, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to sign the Scope of Cooperative Agreement and Action.

07-799 AGREEMENTS - SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS - NEVADA HEALTH CENTERS, CHILDREN CABINET AT INCLINE VILLAGE - MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Community Support Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the agreements for Washoe County Special Purpose grants to the Nevada Health Centers for fiscal year 2007/08, in the amount of \$93,071; and the Children's Cabinet at Incline Village Health for July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007, in the amount of \$20,000, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same. It was further ordered that the following resolutions be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes.

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$93,071 in funding is needed to address the basic health care needs of the uninsured and underinsured of Gerlach; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Nevada Health Centers, Inc. a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2007/08 in the amount of \$93,071 (Community Support).

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- 2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing basic health care to low income, uninsured, and underinsured clients living in the Gerlach area.
- 3. The maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are as set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract is incorporated herein by reference.

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$20,000 in funding is needed to address the basic health care needs of the uninsured and underinsured of Incline Village; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to Children's Cabinet of Incline Village, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2007-2008 in the amount of \$20,000 (Community Support).
- 2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing basic health care to low income, uninsured, and underinsured clients living in the Gerlach area.
- 3. The maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are as set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract, is incorporated herein by reference.

07-800 WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (WCSO) INCLINE MARINE AUXILIARY - SHERIFF

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Chief Deputy Craig Callahan explained the citizens in Incline Village came together and requested utilizing the boat

more on Lake Tahoe in conjunction with the Coast Guard to assist stranded boaters and other emergencies.

Commissioner Galloway thanked the WCSO for taking the initiative to involve more volunteers and achieve additional use from County resources.

Upon recommendation of Captain Steve Kelly, Incline Substation Commander, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that the utilization of members of the newly formed "WCSO Incline Marine Auxiliary" unit to assist with the operation of Marine 9 on Lake Tahoe be authorized.

07-801 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION - MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSITION OF FFY 2007 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDS

Upon recommendation of Chief Deputy Todd Vinger, and Tami Cummings, Administrative Assistant, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the Cooperative Agreement between Washoe County, on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Department, the City of Reno, on behalf of the Reno Police Department, and the City of Sparks, on behalf of the Sparks Police Department, concerning the management and disposition of FFY 2007 Justice Assistance Grant Funds be ratified. It was further ordered that the following resolution be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the agreement and the resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The City of Reno, Washoe County and the City of Sparks have all previously been individual recipients of Block Grant Funds and Byrne Grant Funds for their law enforcement entities;

WHEREAS, changes in the federal program have now combined Byrne Grants and Block Grants into Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) which require regional applications with one entity acting as fiscal agent of the grant;

WHEREAS, The City of Reno, Washoe County and the City of Sparks have agreed that the City of Reno should be the fiscal agent for the JAG grant application;

WHEREAS, the Federal Government requires that a cooperative agreement between the parties, approved by the governing body of the proposed fiscal agent, accompany the grant application;

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WHEREAS, NRS 277.045 allows any two or more political subdivisions of the State of Nevada, including counties and incorporated cities, to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance of any governmental function; and

WHEREAS, any such cooperative agreement must be by formal resolution or ordinance of the governing body of each political subdivision included, and must be spread at large upon the minutes, and thereto as an exhibit, of each governing body;

NOW THEREFORE, in light of the foregoing, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County hereby resolves as follows:

- 1. That the funds available for use by the county in connection with the above referenced JAG grant and the manner in which those funds will be used as specified in the cooperative agreement between Washoe County, the City of Reno, and the City of Sparks, a copy of which hereto as Exhibit A ("JAG Agreement"), serve a governmental function;
- 2. That the JAG agreement is hereby incorporated into this resolution as though fully set forth herein;
- 3. That the county should enter into the proposed JAG Agreement in the interests of the inhabitants of Washoe County and in the interest of carrying out the governmental functions of Washoe County; and
- 4. That by this resolution and by signing the JAG Agreement the County hereby does enter into the proposed JAG Agreement.

07-802 <u>DEDICATION PLAQUE - MILLS B. LANE JUSTICE CENTER - PUBLIC WORKS</u>

Dan St. John, Public Works Director, said due diligence had been completed to assure the names according to the City of Reno and the County's adopted policies were appropriate. He said his counterpart at the City of Reno heard the concerns; however, the names presented to the County for approval were the names approved by the City.

Commissioner Sferrazza said if the Reno City Council did not object, could former Councilmember Toni Harsh's name be added to the plaque. Mr. St. John replied there would be no reason why her name could not be added. He noted the Board had the power of authority to approve something different than their present policy.

Commissioner Weber said she appreciated the efforts from former Councilmember Harsh; however, she was concerned in sending this message to the Reno

City Council requesting them to do something they may not have chosen to do. Mr. St. John indicated staff had made every effort to express that sentiment to the Reno City Council.

Chairman Larkin believed the question was being asked of the Mayor and the City Council and not directed to the Reno City Manager's Office. He clarified the Board was requesting the County Manager be directed to talk with the elected officials.

In response to the call for public comment, Toni Harsh stated she appreciated the comments from the Board. She did not want any names eliminated, but include a unique combination of everyone working together. She distributed photos of existing plaques within the courthouses that were placed on file with the Clerk. Tonya Brown suggested the Justice Center be renamed. Gary Schmidt spoke on the names that should be placed on the plaque.

Commissioner Galloway suggested continuing this matter to determine if a more inclusive policy would be acceptable to the City of Reno that would include names of persons present when the funding for the project was approved, and persons in office at the time of the grand opening.

Commissioner Sferrazza agreed with having a blended policy and requested a position from the Reno City Council. He moved to appoint two Commissioners to meet with the Reno City Council and discuss the issue. Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, stated the agenda did not allow the Board to take that action. The motion was dismissed.

Commissioner Galloway moved to continue this matter so the Reno City Council could consider alternate policies including a more inclusive policy concerning joint buildings. Commissioner Sferrazza seconded the motion.

Commissioner Weber stated this would give the City the ability to say "no" if they were not comfortable.

Chairman Larkin clarified if the Board was empowering him along with another Commissioner to speak to the Reno City Council, and the Board concurred.

On call for the question the motion passed with a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent.

07-803 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT - CITY OF RENO - COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND FAMILY SHELTER BUILDING MANAGEMENT SERVICES/COMMUNITY SUPPORT ADMINISTRATOR

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne stated he was in favor of the Interlocal Agreement.

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Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Community Support Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that an Interlocal Agreement between Washoe County and the City of Reno to provide support for the construction of the Community Resource and Family Shelter Building, in the amount of \$300,000 in fiscal year 2007/08, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same.

07-804 <u>DISCUSSION - FUTURE FUNDING OF HOMELESS STRUCTURE</u> CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION - CITY OF RENO MANAGEMENT SERVICES/COMMUNITY SUPPORT ADMINISTRATOR

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, stated her concerns about future funding for the operation of the homeless shelters in the region.

City of Reno Mayor Bob Cashell explained the City had been working on this project for approximately 20 years. He stated this was a \$23 million project and indicated the Legislature had given the City \$5 million. He named several donors who had also contributed money. Mayor Cashell said the City of Reno had contributed approximately \$7.5 million over the past several years through capital projects, room tax and other avenues. He was requesting an additional \$1.2 million from the County over the next four years to help with the Family Shelter. Mayor Cashell noted he appreciated the consideration of the Board on assisting the less fortunate in the community.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Mayor Cashell replied the operations and services would need to be discussed. Commissioner Galloway stated with the increased facilities came the increased operational costs and noted the County Manager was unsure of those expenditures. Mayor Cashell reiterated this building would be built with the cash received and would be a pay-as-you-go project.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated homelessness was a problem seen throughout the entire region, and he supported the request.

Commissioner Weber commented Washoe County needed to be recognized for their support and the time and money spent and the shelter needed to be done for the community. Commissioner Weber said working with the City of Reno showed cooperation, and she supported the request. Mayor Cashell confirmed the City was grateful for the help the County had provided.

Chairman Larkin stated Mayor Cashell was the catalyst behind this endeavor. He asked if the Mayor saw this as a true collaboration between the three entities. Mayor Cashell remarked it surely was.

Ms. Singlaub commented it was always a question of priorities when considering the budget requests, and financially it would be a challenge. Ms. Singlaub explained the County did not receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding as the Cities did. She added the County did not keep the room tax dollars to the same extent as the Cities. She stated the Transportation Bill had reduced the Capital Tax, which also affected finances.

Commissioner Galloway remarked this was a worthy cause. Commissioner Sferrazza commented helping the less fortunate in the community should be a top priority.

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne spoke in favor of the homeless shelter. Gary Schmidt said he supported the expenditure of the money and the Mayor in his endeavors. He believed this project would be able to stand on its own merit.

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Community Support Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Larkin, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that the future funding of the homeless shelter construction and operation, including possible action on request by the City of Reno for commitment of construction costs for the Community Resource and Family Shelter Building, in the amount of \$1,200,000 to be paid over four years beginning in July of 2008, be approved.

07-805 <u>APPEARANCE - JUDGE PETER BREEN - OVERVIEW OF</u> CRIMINAL SPECIALTY COURTS

Senior Judge Peter Breen conducted a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the resources for Adult Drug Court and Diversion Court, Community Service Days, Probation Revocation Rates, Recidivism Rates, Statistics for fiscal year 2006/07 and the services provided by the Adult Drug Court and the Diversion Court, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

Chairman Larkin thanked Judge Breen for his presentation and stated updates were necessary to realize how the money was being spent within the Courts. He said the Board effectively evaluated taxpayer monies that went to the Courts. He explained as a Commissioner a value judgment was needed concerning funding so these regular updates could be effectively utilized and stated the Board had responsibilities when it came to oversights of all monies. He indicated the updates had not been forthcoming which made one wonder how the funds were being utilized. Chairman Larkin asked if the Court would be willing to under go an audit, through the jurisdiction of the County, to compare and benchmark the figures presented today with those of other programs. Judge Breen stated the Courts would be open to an audit.

Commissioner Galloway said there were many statistics involved especially dealing with recidivism, and he requested the number of people arrested, but

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not convicted. Judge Breen stated there was a close relation between arrests and conviction in this County and indicated he would have those statistics.

07-806 <u>AUGMENTATION - DISTRICT COURT BUDGET - SPECIALTY</u> <u>COURTS</u>

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Ron Longtin, District Court Administrator and Clerk of the Court, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, Chairman Larkin ordered that an augmentation in revenue and expenditure budget authority to the adopted fiscal year 2007/08 Second Judicial District Court, Fund Center IO20292, in an increase of \$85,590, be approved. It was further ordered that the Finance Department be directed to make the appropriate budget adjustments to reflect an increase within the Specialty Court Program.

07-807 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - DRUG/ALCOHOL SERVICES - BRISTLECONE FAMILY RESOURCES - DISTRICT COURT

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Sheila Leslie, Specialty Courts Coordinator, Second Judicial Court, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that a Professional Services Agreement for Drug/Alcohol Rehabilitation Services between Washoe County, through the District Court, and Bristlecone Family Resources for Adult Drug Court, in the amount of \$523,908 retroactive to July 1, 2007, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same.

07-808 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - ADULT DRUG COURT LIFE SKILLS SERVICES - DISTRICT COURT

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Sheila Leslie, Specialty Courts Coordinator, Second Judicial Court, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke temporarily absent, it was ordered that a Professional Services Agreement between Washoe County, through the District Court, and Project CARE, a non-profit corporation, for Adult Drug Court Life Skills Services, in the amount of \$110,000 retroactive to July 1, 2007, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same.

4:25 p.m. The Board recessed.

4:35 p.m. The Board reconvened as the Board of Directors for the Sierra Fire Protection District with Director Humke absent.

07-809 <u>DISCUSSION/DIRECTION – PROGRAMS, POLICIES AND</u> ORDINANCES TO ADDRESS FIRE HAZARD CONCERNS

<u>4:45 p.m.</u> The Board, having already convened as the Board of Directors for the Sierra Fire Protection District, also convened as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Washoe County Board of Commissioners, with Commissioner Humke absent.

Kurt Latipow, Fire Services Coordinator, referred to items A through F listed in the attachment to the staff report. He stated these items were based on research done between the Sierra Fire Protection District (SFPD), the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) and himself. The attachment was designed to provide the Board with a summary of the complex issues under consideration.

Mr. Latipow stated discussion of a team approach to items A and B took place during a meeting between Fire District representatives and representatives from the Board of REALTORS®, including those from North Lake Tahoe, specifically to involve the Board of REALTORS® in defensible space education and, to some degree, enforcement. He remarked that contact information for the Living With Fire Program and the Nevada Fire Safe Council had been added to the Environmental Contact List provided by REALTORS® to their clients during every real estate transaction. Mr. Latipow said staff had agreed to work with the Board of REALTORS®, the Living With Fire Program, and the Fire Safe Council to develop a 30-45 minute defensible space awareness/training program, which would be made available to all of the REALTORS® in the County. He thanked Chief Mike Brown of the North Tahoe Fire Protection District for offering to put the training program together. Mr. Latipow explained the Board of REALTORS® would partner with Washoe County to place Living with Fire brochures in every real estate office in the County. He added that the Governmental Affairs representative for the Board of REALTORS® would be working with the County to place a section regarding the creation and maintenance of defensible space, along with the appropriate reference links, in the Residential Disclosure Guide mandated and produced by the State. Mr. Latipow proposed the idea of working with the Living with Fire Program and the Building Department to create a self-assessment checklist that people would be required to work through and submit with their permit application packet before being allowed to do any tenant improvement work on residential structures. He emphasized the Board of REALTORS® was obviously committed to working with the County and the Fire Districts concerning defensible space issues.

With respect to item C of the staff report, Mr. Latipow suggested streamlining and enforcing the numerous laws and ordinances already on the books. He recommended adoption of the 2006 International Fire Code and the International Wildland Urban Interface Code by SFPD, TMFPD and Washoe County at the same time the City of Reno planned to adopt them. In researching codes, he noted that several

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references to the Wildland Code were found, particularly in the area of fuels reduction, although that the County had never actually adopted that Code.

Mr. Latipow identified that items D and E were combined and seemed to work well together. He stated the County Manager had already put out a very aggressive program to be implemented by County employees and Mr. Latipow held multiple meetings with Finance and other departments to come up with Best Practices to implement those requirements. He said that Gary Neilson, TMFPD Division Chief, would provide training and Mr. Latipow compiled a list of topics based on the requirements set forth by the County Manager. Based on SFPD's status under NRS 473, Mr. Latipow pointed out they were able to adopt restrictions already put out by the State Fire Warden, which mirrored those in place for the Bureau of Land Management, the State Forest Service and the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District.

Mr. Latipow referenced item F, which discussed actions to recover firefighting costs from individuals responsible for causing a fire. He indicated the agencies had existing authority to do that, although it might be worthwhile to consider strengthening that authority.

Mr. Latipow discussed additional items for the Board's consideration, including retrofitting an existing helicopter from the Washoe County Sheriff's Regional Aviation Enforcement (RAVEN) Program with a "belly tank" at an estimated cost of \$250,000, which would permit its use during initial fire attacks. He noted there was already an item on the Board of County Commissioners' agenda for the purchase of a helicopter engine. If funds could be found for the fire equipment, it was possible to do the work at the same time the engine was installed and have the helicopter ready for firefighting sometime in late August or early September of 2007. Mr. Latipow talked about exploring a partnership with other fire agencies to partially fund one of the Nevada Division of Forestry's firefighting helicopters, although he did not yet have cost estimates available. He touched on other aircraft options for fighting fire.

Mr. Latipow observed there were numerous statutes, policies and lines of authority in place but inadequate staffing among the agencies to facilitate complaint follow up and mandate clearance of defensible space. He recommended a multi-agency, multi-department task force to look at all of the recommendations provided in the staff report, identify what was in the best interests of the citizens and the County, suggest ways of streamlining efforts, calculate the fiscal impact, and report back to the Board in more detail.

Chairman Larkin verified with Melanie Foster, Assistant District Attorney, that the Board could provide direction to pursue retrofitting of the RAVEN helicopter but any actual expenditure of funds would have to be placed on a future agenda for the Board's approval.

Commissioner Galloway asked Mr. Latipow to compare the cost effectiveness of retrofitting a RAVEN helicopter versus the use of other aircraft

resources. He was concerned about losing the use of the RAVEN helicopter for law enforcement purposes while it was engaged in fighting fire. He requested a list of aircraft assets generally available in the area and their capacities, which would allow the Board to assess whether the impact of the RAVEN helicopter was significant enough to justify the cost.

Regarding item F of the staff report, Commissioner Galloway suggested the fire agencies automatically issue a claim letter when a responsible party could be identified and provide the Board with copies of the letter. The District Attorney's office could then evaluate the response to the letter and recommend a course of action to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

Commissioner Galloway thought it best to see how things worked out with the voluntary cooperation of the Board of REALTORS® before enacting mandatory requirements for those programs.

Commissioner Galloway requested that Mr. Latipow put together a matrix of existing ordinances in order to identify gaps and report back to the Board.

In response to Chairman Larkin's requests, Mr. Latipow agreed to report back on the RAVEN helicopter and other aircraft assets at the regular Commission meeting of July 24, 2007. He also agreed to provide specific recommendations to the Board for addressing properties with overgrown flammable materials and insufficient defensible space in approximately 30 days.

In response to the call for public comment, Dennis Wilson, President of the Reno-Sparks Association of REALTORS®, reiterated his organization's commitment to working with the County agencies and disseminating information. He placed a copy of the Association's updated Environmental Contact List on file with the Clerk and explained that this disclosure form had already been implemented. Mr. Wilson added that the disclosure form would also be provided to the Sierra Nevada Association of REALTORS®, which serviced Carson City, Douglas County, Fallon, Lyon County, Lake Tahoe and Elko County. He commented that Mike Young, President of the Incline Village Association of REALTORS®, also participated in the meeting with Mr. Latipow and concurred with the disclosures.

Bob Parker indicated he bought property in Galena Forest two years ago and spent over \$10,000 removing dead trees, undergrowth and debris. He placed a photograph of his property on file with the Clerk and stated that most of his neighbors took care to clear defensible space around their properties. Mr. Parker suggested that the County give a six-week notice to noncompliant property owners and then bill each owner for the cost of having a contractor clear defensible space if the owner had not done so.

Gary Schmidt urged the Board to protect property owners' rights during a fire in accordance with Article 1 of the State Constitution. He pointed out that, during the 2004 Andrew Lane fire, power had been shut off to protect power poles in the area,

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resulting in the loss of approximately 200,000 gallons of water to protect residences because their wells could not operate without electricity. Mr. Schmidt pointed out that Public Utility Commission regulations required power poles to be cleared within a distance of ten feet around them.

Commissioner Galloway asked if all of the Fire Districts represented had the power to order property owners to abate excess fuels. Mr. Latipow indicated that they did. Commissioner Galloway wondered if it was necessary to pass ordinances on a District-by-District basis and/or if an abatement program should be complaint driven or automatic. Mr. Latipow did not believe additional regulations were necessary but stated that additional staff was needed to carry out the existing regulations. He expressed a preference for an automatic proactive abatement program but cautioned it would take about two years to ramp up such a program. Mr. Latipow deferred to the recommendations of the two Fire District Chiefs on this issue.

5:21 p.m. Commissioner Humke returned to the meeting.

Marty Scheuerman, Division Chief for TMFPD and the City of Reno, reported that his agency acted on all complaints, inspected the site, and issued a notice of violation when appropriate. He stated the City of Reno could compel property owners to clean things up or bill them to have the property cleaned up. Chief Scheuerman indicated there were sometimes problems with absentee owners or large parcels of land adjacent to urbanized areas that were federally owned. He noted that local governments could not compel the federal government to clean up their properties. Commissioner Galloway requested verification that there was an ordinance in place for TMFPD as well as for the City of Reno. Ms. Foster pointed out that the same codes had been adopted for TMFPD as those in existence for the City of Reno, with a few changes designed to address wildland concerns.

Commissioner Galloway commented there was a difference between an order to create defensible space and an order to remove dead brush and low limbs. Mr. Latipow suggested that was an area for a task force to bring forth a recommendation for a wildland fire safety program and ordinance, which the County did not currently have. Commissioner Galloway suggested some mechanism needed to be in place, at least on a complaint basis and particularly in urban-wildland interface areas, and the issue should be fast tracked. Mr. Latipow acknowledged there was a need to update the Community Wildfire Prevention Plan, which already identified low, medium and high hazard areas. Commissioner Galloway indicated he would like to see recommendations for an ordinance that could be applied based on those hazard areas.

Commissioner Galloway asked whether Reverse 911 was used to distribute information regarding the restrictions put into place by SFPD. Mr. Latipow stated that was not an approved use for the Reverse 911 program but extensive public outreach was done through all local media avenues. He remarked that the news stations had interviewed him personally on two or three occasions. Commissioner Galloway wondered if it was appropriate to explore expanded use of Reverse 911. Mr. Latipow

expressed his belief that Reverse 911 should be reserved for immediate notification in case of the need to shelter in place, which is what it was designed for. He agreed to discuss it further with Aaron Kenneston, Emergency Management Administrator.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Chairman Larkin, which motion duly carried, staff was directed to:

- 1. Proceed to work with the Board of REALTORS® and report back to the Board at regular intervals on the progress and success of those programs.
- 2. Carry out staff recommendations on item C, to include the creation of a matrix identifying existing ordinances and authorities to look for gaps that might need to be filled.
- 3. Report back to the Board on item F, indicating whether the District Chiefs agreed on a protocol for making a record and attempting to collect compensation in all cases where a party responsible for causing a fire was identified. If necessary, place recommended policies on future agendas for Board approval.
- 4. Related to items D and E, pursue initiation of ordinances and amendments, and/or declaration of emergency as necessary, placing the need to address defensible space issues in special hazard areas at the forefront.
- 5. Report to the Board at its regular meeting on July 24, 2007 regarding available aircraft resources and options, including an assessment of retrofitting the RAVEN helicopter.
- <u>5:30 p.m.</u> The Board continued its agenda as the Board of Directors for the Sierra Fire Prevention District with all members present.
- **5:39 p.m.** The Board continued its agenda as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District with all members present.
- **5:56 p.m.** The Board reconvened as the Washoe County Board of Commissioners with all members present.

DISCUSSION – BLOCK VOTE

The Board consolidated agenda items 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 34 (minute items 07-810 through 07-821) into a block vote.

07-810 <u>EXPENDITURE – HELICOPTER ENGINE – SHERIFF</u>

There was no public comment on this item.

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Quotes for the purchase of a new/rebuilt T-53-L-703 engine for the Sheriff's Office HH-1H Huey helicopter were received from Pac West Helicopters, Dakota Air Parts International, Inc., and Paravion Technology, Inc.

Upon recommendation of Sergeant Russ Pedersen of the Regional Aviation Enforcement Unit (RAVEN), on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the sole source purchase of a new/rebuilt T-53-L-703 engine from the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Paravion Technology, Inc., for the Washoe County Sheriff's Office HH-1H Huey Helicopter, funded through Washoe County Capital Improvement Project PW 920473, be approved in the amount of \$240,000.

07-811 RESOLUTIONS/GRANT APPLICATIONS – BOWERS & DAVIS CREEK LAND ACQUISITION – PARKS

In response to the call for public comment, Florence Jones applauded the Commissioners for preserving the historic areas of the Bowers Mansion and Davis Creek properties and using these acquisitions for a trail connection between them.

Upon recommendation of Kristine Bunnell, Park Planner, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Resolutions to support grant applications to the Forest Legacy Program and the Nevada Division of State Lands, Conservation and Resource Protection State Question-1 Grant Program be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same. It was noted that the grant applications were to acquire the Bowers Mansion-Lord property valued at \$4.5 million, to be funded by \$3.375 million in Forest Legacy Program funds and \$1.125 million in Question-1 Program matching funds; and to acquire the Davis Creek Regional Park-Lord property valued at \$2.5 million, to be funded by \$1.875 million in Forest Legacy Program funds and \$625,000 in Question-1 Bond matching funds. Additional required match was to be provided through in-kind services including staff time, appraisals and closing costs. The Resolutions were as follows:

RESOLUTION BOWERS/DAVIS – QUESTION 1 BOND PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State Question 1, approved by Nevada voters in 2002, calls for \$200,000,000 in funding in support of clean water, parks and wildlife across the State; and

WHEREAS, a portion of this funding is set aside for 50/50 matching grant applications for land acquisition and trails; and

WHEREAS, the 40 acres around the Davis Creek Regional Park-Lord property in Washoe County is considered important to safeguard the aesthetic beauty of the forested backdrop of Bowers Mansion, provides wildlife habitat, stream corridor

protection, provides connectivity between Davis Creek and Bowers Mansion Regional Parks, and eliminates in-holdings for the U.S. Forest Service; and

WHEREAS, the 80 acres around the Bowers Mansion Regional Park-Lord property in Washoe County are considered important to protect cultural resources and safeguard the aesthetic beauty of the forested backdrop of Bowers Mansion, provide wildlife habitat, and eliminate in-holdings for the U.S. Forest Service; and

WHEREAS, there is broad public support for the protection of the above properties within Washoe County, and the Washoe County Board of Commissioners remain committed to the protection of valuable natural resources and open spaces areas throughout Washoe County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Washoe County Board of Commissioners support the acquisition and future protection of these environmentally important forest lands, located throughout Washoe County, through the Nevada State Question-1 Bond Program administered by the Nevada Department of Lands.

RESOLUTION FOREST LEGACY PROGRAM – NEVADA DIVISION OF FORESTRY

WHEREAS, the Forest Legacy Program funded by Congress through the USDA Forest Service and administered by the Nevada Department of Forestry, provides funding to protect environmentally important private forest areas that are threatened by conversion to non-forest uses; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada has approved five Forest Legacy Areas where projects may be considered including the Tahoe/Sierra Front, Mt. Charleston, Jarbidge River, Muddy River, and Schell Creek Range; and

WHEREAS, the five criteria used to determine eligible projects includes protection of wildlife habitat, protection and enhancement of water quality and quantity, protection and enhancement of wetlands and riparian areas, protection of forest lands from development (growth and sprawl), and preservation of scenic landscape views; and

WHEREAS, the 40 acres around the Davis Creek Regional Park-Lord property in Washoe County is considered important to safeguard the aesthetic beauty of the forested backdrop of Bowers Mansion, provides wildlife habitat, stream corridor protection, provides connectivity between Davis Creek and Bowers Mansion Regional Parks, and eliminates in-holdings for the U.S. Forest Service; and

WHEREAS, the 80 acres around the Bowers Mansion Regional Park-Lord property in Washoe County are considered important to protect cultural resources and safeguard the aesthetic beauty of the forested backdrop of Bowers Mansion, provide wildlife habitat, and eliminate in-holdings for the U.S. Forest Service; and

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WHEREAS, there is broad public support for the protection of the above properties within Washoe County, and the Washoe County Board of Commissioners remain committed to the protection of valuable natural resources and open spaces areas throughout Washoe County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Washoe County Board of Commissioners support the acquisition and future protection of these environmentally important forest lands located throughout Washoe County through the Forest Legacy Program administered by the Nevada Department of Forestry.

07-812 ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION – AMEND BOUNDARIES OF WASHOE COUNTY TRUCKEE MEADOWS SERVICE AREA – SIERRA TRIPLE NET, LLC – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that an advisory recommendation be forwarded to the Regional Planning Commission for approval of the application by Sierra Triple Net, LLC to include Assessor's Parcel Numbers 076-402-06 and 076-402-07 within Washoe County's Truckee Meadows Service Area boundary.

07-813 <u>AWARD BID – 224 & 230 EDISON WAY RE-ROOF PROJECT – PUBLIC WORKS</u>

This was the time to consider award of the bid for the 224 & 230 Edison Way Re-Roof Project. Bids were received from Western Single Ply, Kodiak Roofing, Alpine Roofing, D&D Roofing and 2K Roofing.

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of David Solaro, Director of the Capital Projects Division, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the bid for the 224 & 230 Edison Way Re-Roof Project be awarded to D&D Roofing, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Base Bid of \$167,396.00, less Deductive Alternate No. 1 of \$18,866.00, for a total contract amount of \$148,530.00. It was further ordered that the Chairman be authorized to execute the contract documents upon presentation.

07-814 <u>LEASE AGREEMENT – ROTER INVESTMENTS, L.P. – SIERRA</u> <u>VIEW LIBRARY – PUBLIC WORKS</u>

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Deputy Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which

motion duly carried, it was ordered that the lease agreement between Roter Investments, L.P. and Washoe County for a thirty-six (36) month term retroactive to July 1, 2007 and terminating on June 30, 2010, to provide continued occupancy for the Sierra View Library at the Reno Town Mall, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same. It was noted that the annual lease and related improvement expense for fiscal year 2007-08 would be \$236,110 with funds available in the Library Department cost center 130250-710600.

07-815 QUITCLAIM DEED – OLD VERDI JUSTICE COURT – PUBLIC WORKS

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Deputy Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that a Quitclaim Deed from the State of Nevada (Grantor) to Washoe County (Grantee) for a portion of APN 038-403-03, known as the Old Verdi Justice Court, be accepted upon presentation.

07-816 AGREEMENT – LAND RELOCATION AND RELATED LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE TRUCKEE RIVER FLOOD PROJECT – DISTRICT ATTORNEY

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Peter Simeoni, Deputy District Attorney, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the agreement between the Washoe County District Attorney's office and the law firm of Michael G. Chapman, P.C. for land relocation and other related legal services needed by the Truckee River Flood Project be approved in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 and the use of the 1/8 cent sales tax dedicated to the Truckee River Flood Project be authorized to fund the same.

07-817 <u>AGREEMENT – LEGISLATIVE SERVICES – MANAGEMENT</u> <u>SERVICES</u>

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of John Slaughter, Management Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the agreement between Washoe County and Lewis and Roca, LLC for legislative services for the period of July 10, 2007 to July 10, 2009 (\$138,000 in fiscal year 2007-08; \$198,000 in fiscal year 2008-09) be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same upon receipt.

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07-818 AGREEMENT – DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF "HIGH PERFORMING ORGANIZATION" MODEL – BALDRIGE NATIONAL QUALITY PROGRAM – MANAGEMENT SERVICES

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of John Slaughter, Management Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the agreement between Washoe County and Lynn & Associates for consulting services to assist in developing and implementing a "High Performing Organization" model for Washoe County within the framework and principles of the Baldrige National Quality Program be approved in the amount of \$97,000 plus preapproved expenses and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same upon receipt.

07-819 WASHOE COUNTY SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS / RESOLUTIONS – MANAGEMENT SERVICES / COMMUNITY SUPPORT ADMINISTRATOR

Commissioner Galloway noted he owned real estate in Virginia City and would abstain from voting on the portion of the item concerning the V&T Railroad Commission.

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Community Support Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Galloway recusing himself from voting on the portion of the item concerning the V&T Railroad Commission, it was ordered that Washoe County Special Purpose Grants for fiscal year 2007-08 be approved in the following amounts and the Chairman be authorized to execute agreements for the same:

Incline Village General Improvement District	\$189,613
Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada	\$37,500
Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful	\$13,553
Access to Healthcare Network	\$50,000
V&T Railroad Commission	\$25,000

It was further ordered that a grant to Silver State Housing be approved in the amount of \$7,721, and the Chairman be authorized to execute the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF FUNDS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF WESTERN NEVADA

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Washoe County may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County; and

WHEREAS, Washoe County desires to provide money to the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada (EDAWN) to support economic development efforts including recruitment efforts, business retention and expansion, and target industry and skill set implementation plan; and

WHEREAS, Washoe County finds that these economic development services provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County, that the Board hereby enters into the Grant Agreement, which was placed on file with the Clerk, to provide funds to the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada for the purposes set forth in the Grant Agreement.

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF PUBLIC MONEY TO A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION CREATED FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a board of county commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$13,553 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to encourage a clean community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB), a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2007-08 in the amount of \$13,553 (Community Support).
- 2. The purpose of the grant is to provide assistance to KTMB with Adopt-A-Spot, Open Space Community Clean-up, and Christmas Tree Recycling in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Washoe County, which will

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- provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County.
- 3. The maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are as set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract was placed on file with the Clerk and incorporated herein by reference.

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF PUBLIC MONEY TO A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION CREATED FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a board of county commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$50,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing support for the development of Access to Healthcare Network, a comprehensive network of hospitals and primary, specialty and ancillary healthcare professionals offering their services to the working uninsured at a reduced fee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to Nevada Public Health Foundation, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2007-08 in the amount of \$50,000 (Community Support).
- 2. The purpose of the grant is to provide for the establishment of the Network to provide working uninsured northern Nevada resident's access to professional healthcare at a reduced rate while providing timely and cost-effective compensation for physicians and hospitals enrolled in the Network, which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County.

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF PUBLIC MONEY TO A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION CREATED FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a board of county commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county and that a board may make a grant of money to a

nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$7,721 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to encourage fair housing standards; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to Silver State Fair Housing, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2007-08 in the amount of \$7,721 (Community Support).
- 2. The purpose of the grant is to provide informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities, which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County.

07-820 GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACT/RESOLUTION – LOW INCOME HOUSING TRUST FUNDS – MANAGEMENT SERVICES/COMMUNITY SUPPORT ADMINISTRATOR

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Community Support Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Grant Program Contract with Restart to sub-grant Low Income Housing Trust Funds in the amount of \$314,212 and a 10 percent cash match of \$31,421 for fiscal year 2007-08 be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same. It was further ordered that the following Resolution be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF PUBLIC MONEY TO A PRIVATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a board of county commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county and that a board may make a grant of money to a private organization, not for profit, to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that a certain amount of money is available for fiscal year 2007-08 for community support grants, which grants will provide a substantial benefit to the

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inhabitants of Washoe County and which are made to private nonprofit organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

- 1. The Board hereby grants to Restart, Inc., a private, nonprofit organization, a grant for fiscal year 2007-08 in the amount of \$345,633 (\$314,212 Low Income Housing Trust Funds and 10 percent cash match of \$31,421) (Community Support).
- 2. The purpose of the grant, the maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract was placed on file with the clerk and incorporated herein by reference.

07-821 <u>LAND ACQUISITION/RESOLUTION – 125 NORTH EDISON –</u> TRUCKEE RIVER FLOOD PROJECT

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Ronda Moore, Deputy Director of the Truckee River Flood Management Project, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the purchase of the property located at 125 North Edison be approved for \$2,050,000 by assignment from the Nevada Land Conservancy and the Chairman be authorized to execute the resolution below to acquire the property. It was further ordered that the Director of the Department of the Truckee River Flood Management Project be authorized to act on behalf of Washoe County to execute and deliver any and all instruments and funds, including without limitation: contracts, agreements, notices, escrow instructions, deeds, leases, checks and warrants as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the acquisition of the 125 North Edison parcel in the name of Washoe County on behalf of the Truckee River Flood Management Project.

TRUCKEE RIVER FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROJECT EARLY LAND ACQUISITION RESOLUTION NO. 07-821

(125 North Edison Way – Acquisition of Land)

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2003 the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approved the "Land Acquisition and Early Project Implementation Plan" for the Truckee River Flood Management Project; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2003 the BCC approved the "Early Land Acquisition Plan – Real Property List," dated September 5, 2003, for the Truckee River Flood Management Project; and

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2004 the BCC approved an agreement with The Nevada Land Conservancy (NVLC) to purchase certain properties to implement the Early Land Acquisition Plan and approved a resolution approving the use of a list of appraisers for land to be purchased by NVLC and assigned to Washoe County for use in the Truckee River Flood Management Project; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2005 the BCC approved the latest revision to the "Early Land Acquisition Plan – Real Property List," now being referred to as the "Flood Control Parcel List," and the parcel at 125 North Edison Way (APN 012-272-05) is on this list; and

WHEREAS, under their agreement with Washoe County to Implement the Early Land Acquisition Plan NVLC has negotiated a purchase agreement with the owners of the parcel at 125 North Edison Way, comprised of approximately one and a half acres of land and an industrial building approximately 32,345 square feet in size that was constructed in 1973, at a purchase price not to exceed \$2,050,000, which was established to be fair market value by an appraisal conducted pursuant to the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisition and the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice; and

WHEREAS, as part of the implementation of the Early Land Acquisition Plan, NVLC desires to assign the purchase of the parcel at 125 North Edison Way to Washoe County before closing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Naomi Duerr, the Director of the Truckee River Flood Management Department, is hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all instruments and funds, including without limitation, contracts, agreements, notices, escrow instructions, deeds, leases, checks and warrants as may be necessary or appropriate to accomplish the acquisition of the parcel at 125 North Edison Way in the name of and on behalf of Washoe County.

07-822 <u>BILL NO. 1516 – AMENDING WASHOE COUNTY CODE</u> CHAPTER 25 – TRANSIENT LODGING - FINANCE

John Sherman, Finance Department Director, commented that the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) had been working on the bill for a number of years and vetted it through various interest groups. The RSCVA Finance Committee and both RSCVA Directors approved the bill, recommended that Washoe County change their code, and agreed to subsequently ask the Cities of Reno and Sparks to change their codes to correspond with the County.

Commissioner Galloway asked what had been changed in the definition of "transient lodging". Attorney John Sande IV stated there had not been a definition for "transient lodging" until after it was mandated by the 1997 Legislature. Prior to that

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time, the "transient occupancy tax" (TOT) was classified as a license tax on rental property.

Commissioner Galloway recalled there had been a rule that lodging was transient if the property was rented for less than 28 days unless there was some sort of lease committing it to a longer term. Mr. Sande indicated that had not changed. He read from Section 15.155 concerning exemptions.

Commissioner Galloway questioned provisions related to fractional ownership. Mr. Sande explained that owners of timeshares or exchange programs had previously been allowed to bank time used at other locations. The RSCVA negotiated with the industry to exempt owners from the TOT as long as the banked time was actually used by the owner. Tim Smith, Chief Financial Officer for the RSCVA, pointed out that it was the discretion of the owner to leave their unit empty or bank time against other locations without being subject to the TOT. He stated that unsold units being marketed and rented by the timeshare developer would now be subject to the TOT. Mr. Smith said, in order for condo-type rentals to be exempt from the TOT, they had to prepay for 28 days or they could become exempt on the 29th day of a continuous stay. After working with the vacation property owners in Incline Village, the ordinance was modified several years ago to also allow exemption if there was a signed 28-day lease contract. Mr. Smith pointed out there were over 4,000 occupied rooms per night in Washoe County that represented low-income weekly rental housing. He explained the solution worked out was a ten-day affidavit that qualified for exemption from the TOT, which had been unanimously supported by the RSCVA. The affidavit required the signer to be a resident.

Commissioner Galloway asked about philanthropic organizations that might generate money by renting rooms to members of the organization who wanted to visit. Mr. Smith stated there had never been an exemption for nonprofit organizations in the TOT.

There was no public comment on this item.

Bill No. 1516, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WASHOE COUNTY CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 25 RELATING TO TRANSIENT LODGING, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MODIFYING OR ADDING TO THE DEFINITIONS OF GROSS RECEIPTS, OCCUPANCY, OCCUPANT, OPERATOR, TRANSIENT GUEST AND TRANSIENT LODGING; DELETING OBSOLETE PROVISIONS; MAKING MODIFICATIONS TO THE PROVISION RELATED TO THE TAXATION OF TIMESHARE USES; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO." was introduced by Commissioner Sferrazza, the title read to the Board and legal notice for final action of adoption directed.

6:25 p.m. Chairman Larkin declared a brief recess.

7:17 p.m. The Board reconvened with Commissioner Humke absent.

07-823 <u>BILL NO. 1513 – AMENDING WASHOE COUNTY CODE</u> <u>CHAPTER 25 - REGULATIONS CONCERNING SERVICE OF</u> COMPLAINT ACTIONS AGAINST BUSINESS LICENSES

As per discussion of the agenda earlier in the meeting, County Manager Katy Singlaub reiterated this item was continued and notice would be published in the newspaper for a public hearing at the July 24, 2007 regular Commission meeting. Chairman Larkin called for anyone wishing to speak for or against the item. There was no response to the call for public comment.

07-824A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT CASE NO. DA07-004 – PEBBLE CREEK, TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP CASE NO. TM0009-004 – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

5:30 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on June 29, 2007 to consider adoption of Development Agreement Case No. DA07-004 for Pebble Creek, Tentative Subdivision Map Case No. TM0009-004, which was previously approved by the Washoe County Planning Commission. The sole purpose of the Development Agreement was to extend the expiration date of said subdivision map until July 26, 2010. [APN: 538-020-02 and 538-171-06]

Chairman Larkin opened the public hearing and called on anyone wishing to speak for or against the proposed development agreement. There being no response, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Larkin, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke absent, it was ordered that Development Agreement Case No. DA07-004, providing for the extension of the Pebble Creek Subdivision, Tentative Subdivision Map Case No. TM0009-004, represented by the signatures on the Development Agreement of June 12, 2007, as presented to staff with the application packet, be approved and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same.

07-824B BILL NO. 1517 – DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT CASE NO. DA07-004 – PEBBLE CREEK, TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP CASE NO. TM0009-004

Bill No. 1517, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO NEVADA REVISED STATUTES 278.0201 THROUGH 278.0207 APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT CASE NO. DA07-004 FOR TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP CASE NO. TM0009-004 FOR PEBBLE CREEK SUBDIVISION AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE WASHOE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION," was introduced by Commissioner Sferrazza, the title read to the Board, and legal notice for final action of adoption on July 24, 2007 directed.

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APPEAL CASE NO. AX07-009, ST. JAMES'S VILLAGE, INC. –
APPEAL OF AMENDMENT OF CONDITIONS CASE NUMBER
AC07-002, ST. JAMES'S VILLAGE, INC.: AMENDMENT OF
TENTATIVE MAP CASE NUMBER TM5-2-92 – COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

5:30 p.m. This was the time set to consider appeal of the Planning Commission's denial of a request to amend conditions number 29 and 30. These conditions required the construction of St. James's Village Parkway as a second access to the subdivision prior to the 151st building permit, as authorized in Article 608 of the Washoe County Development Code. The applicant requested that it be changed to Joy Lake Road (south) prior to the issuance of the 151st building permit. The original request was to develop a phased, single-family subdivision consisting of 530 lots on six parcels totaling + 1,626 acres. The property was located at the end of the public portion of Joy Lake Road with additional access from Pagni Lane in Pleasant Valley and Washoe Flats Steak House (formerly Cattlemen's Restaurant) on Joy Lake Road in West Washoe Valley. The site was designated Low Density Suburban (LDS) and General Rural (GR) in the Forest and South Valleys Area Plans and is within Commission District No. 2. It was in the area of review by both the Galena-Steamboat and West Washoe Valley Citizen Advisory Boards. The property was within Sections 10, 13, 14, 15 and 23, T17N, R19E, MDM, Washoe County, Nevada. (Originally APNs 046-060-02, 046-060-03 and 046-060-08, 046-080-05, a portion of 046-100-01, and 047-010-04; now APNs 046-060-44, 046-060-45, 046-060-47 and 046-060-49.)

Chairman Larkin opened the public hearing.

Roger Pelham, Senior Planner, conducted a Power Point presentation for the Board, which was placed on file with the Clerk. His presentation outlined the project location, provided some background information and summarized the appellant's current request that the timing for construction of the access roads be reversed so that Joy Lake Road South could be done prior to the 151st building permit and St. James's Village Parkway would follow prior to the 286th building permit. Mr. Pelham analyzed the intent of the conditions and the current status of the two roads under discussion. He pointed out the Sierra Fire Protection District did not object to approval of the appellant's amendment request but the West Washoe Valley and Galena/Steamboat Citizen Advisory Boards both recommended denial of the appellant's request. Mr. Pelham stated the Planning Commission denied the appellant's request and it was the recommendation of County staff to uphold the Planning Commission's action.

Chairman Larkin asked Mr. Pelham to continue displaying the Power Point map showing an overhead view of the roads in question.

Commissioner Galloway clarified with Mr. Pelham that the length of Joy Lake Road South, which was graded but remained unpaved, was approximately 0.7 miles, and the relatively rough unpaved length of St. James's Village Parkway was

probably 1.5 to 2.0 miles. St. James's Village Parkway was currently being used as a construction haul route.

In response to a question by Commissioner Sferrazza, Mr. Pelham acknowledged the effect of maintaining the current schedule would be to place additional traffic on the intersection of Pagni Lane and U.S. Highway 395 without the benefit of a signal.

When asked by Chairman Larkin if she had any advice, Assistant District Attorney Melanie Foster commented that any decision made by the Board must be based on substantial evidence in the record and asked that the Commissioners iterate the basis for their agreement or disagreement with the Planning Commission's recommendation.

7:30 p.m. Commissioner Humke returned to the meeting.

Commissioner Humke announced that John Francovich, Attorney for the appellant, and Jerry Peterson, a resident representing several homeowners in St. James Village and Galena Forest, had reached a compromise agreement in principle that they wished to present to the Board.

Mr. Francovich outlined the following points of agreement should his client's request to amend the conditions be approved:

- The section of St. James's Village Parkway being used as a construction haul road would be improved forthwith, subject to the approval of the County and the Fire Department. Mr. Francovich indicated his client had already obtained specifications from the Public Works Department and prepared a contract for the roadwork.
- The developer would install a Forest Service-type gate at the intersection of St. James's Village Parkway and the new freeway. Mr. Francovich explained the bolt on the gate would be embedded into the post and only the homeowners and contractors who used the road would have access to it.
- St. James's Village Parkway would continue to be used for emergency access and as a construction haul road from this point forward.
- The gravel section of Joy Lake Road South would be paved to the property line according to County standards, with the understanding that work was to be completed within the next year.

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- A permanent gate would be installed on Joy Lake Road South at the property line and it would be of comparable quality to the existing gate on Joy Lake Road North. The gate would have full electronics, telephone and video capabilities, to include communication with the main gate at Joy Lake Road North. A guardhouse would not be included at this time, although the design would allow the addition of a guardhouse in the future.
- When the 286th building permit is reached, the developer will build a new gate with a manned gatehouse. The developer will allow the homeowners to choose the gate's location, either at the entrance on St. James's Village Parkway, which is immediately adjacent to the freeway, or on Joy Lake Road South.

Mr. Peterson stated that Mr. Francovich had covered all the points agreed upon, with the exception that paving of the road and build-out of the gate structure on Joy Lake Road South were to be completed by this time next year and were not dependent on the 151st building permit trigger.

Chairman Larkin confirmed with Mr. Peterson that he would agree, under these terms, to the Board overturning the Planning Commission's denial of the appeal. Mr. Peterson responded affirmatively and stated the homeowners would like the terms written as a condition of the appeal so the developer would be bound to them. Chairman Larkin verified with Mr. Francovich that his client would also accept the terms.

Commissioner Humke commented it was difficult for the County to condition gated facilities on private property but if the developer stipulated to it, gated facilities could be referenced as a condition and made a part of the official agreement.

In response to the call for public comment, Mike Houghton stated he was not fully versed on the terms of the agreement but, as a resident on Joy Lake Road, he and his neighbors had been involved in the process since September 1991. He remarked they were looking for a commitment by the developer for build-out and maintenance of the construction haul road so that access would be maintained at an acceptable level. Mr. Houghton observed that, over the past 16 years, the road had deteriorated to a point where it was not usable, resulting in construction traffic on Joy Lake Road in violation of the agreement and adding greatly to the deterioration of that road, as well as increasing traffic hazards. He indicated he could support the agreement if it included maintenance of the haul road, but would otherwise oppose the agreement.

Deborah Kladney identified herself as a resident on Joy Lake Road. She expressed concerns about egress during a fire and said that maintenance of the haul road was essential for that. She pointed out that Joy Lake Road South was not a good exit road during emergencies.

Doug Nelson stated he was a resident of the Galena area above St. James Village, secretary of the homeowners association and a Fire Safe Council leader. His main concern was timing. Mr. Nelson remarked that the Planning Commission wanted the road situation addressed immediately, and the residents wanted safe access and egress.

John Owens said he was a board member of the Pleasant Valley/Steamboat Landowners Association and his home was adjacent to the haul road. He supported completion of Joy Lake Road South and upgrading of the haul road as described by Mr. Francovich. Mr. Owens observed the significant amount of construction traffic created an ongoing dust problem with the haul road in its current condition. He commented that Joy Lake Road would be a safer connection to U.S. Highway 395 for the additional residents brought in by new development because a northbound exit at the intersection of Pagni Lane was already dangerous.

Teri Iaconis was concerned that 80 percent of the people in St. James Village lived off of St. James's Village Parkway, which did not provide safe access for them, even if improved to construction haul road standards. She noted that homeowners relied on the conditions when they purchased their homes on St. James's Village Parkway. She noted Joy Lake Road North was never intended to be the main entrance to St. James Village. Ms. Iaconis added that neither Joy Lake Road South nor Pagni Lane were safe exits for the majority of traffic that would exit there when one of the roads was paved.

Peter Ross agreed with John Owens that Pagni Lane was not a safe intersection with the volume of traffic on U.S. Highway 395 and any consideration of adding traffic from St. James Village would make a difficult situation worse. He supported delaying the final development of St. James's Village Parkway until the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) finished the new freeway. Mr. Ross pointed out that neither he nor his neighbors in Pleasant Valley received notice of the public hearing.

Vicki Bischoff identified herself as a Galena resident who also owned property in St. James Village. She stated she and her spouse were general contractors who built approximately 10 percent of the homes in St. James Village. Ms. Bischoff explained that many of her suppliers refused to use the unsafe haul road since the developer's mandate on June 1, 2007 to close off Joy Lake Road North to construction traffic. For the safety of subcontractors and delivery personnel, she requested the sign rerouting construction traffic be taken down from the guard gate on Joy Lake Road North until haul road improvements had taken place, and that construction traffic be allowed to use the other roads until that time.

Roy Cage emphasized that heavy construction trucks would cause the construction haul road to deteriorate rapidly and it was imperative for the developer to maintain it until it was time to pave it, which would be several years in the future.

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Chairman Larkin closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Humke asked Mr. Francovich if he could compare and contrast the two routes (Joy Lake South and the proposed future St. James's Village Parkway/Pagni Lane) with respect to their intersection with the existing U.S. Highway 395. Mr. Francovich explained that Joy Lake Road South was already there and had been built to NDOT standards before the new freeway project had been interrupted. He stated the existing Pagni Lane intersection had been there for quite some time but was not up to NDOT standards. Upgrades to Pagni Lane and St. James's Village Parkway, as well as the construction of a traffic signal at Eastlake Boulevard, were to be done in conjunction with the Sierra Reflections Project. It was anticipated that, with the approval of Sierra Reflections, St. James's Village Parkway would be built and would be timed so there would either be a signal at Eastlake Boulevard or the new freeway would be open.

In the meantime, Mr. Francovich clarified that the developer was responsible for maintaining St. James's Village Parkway to appropriate standards as an emergency access and construction haul road as part of the agreement under discussion.

In response to a question by Commissioner Humke, Mr. Francovich indicated it was his opinion that the southern approach to U.S. Highway 395 (Joy Lake Road South) was the safer way to go in the short term. He was not sure if that would be the case once Sierra Reflections was built, but by that time there would be a traffic signal at Eastlake Boulevard and the new freeway should be in place.

Commissioner Humke asked about Ms. Bischoff's request that the sign directing construction traffic be temporarily removed. Mr. Francovich stated the sign had been placed because of a separate condition that there would be no construction traffic on Joy Lake Road North. There had been many complaints before the Planning Commission about such traffic.

Commissioner Galloway wondered if some residents might choose to use the haul road for access to U.S. Highway 395. Mr. Francovich explained the road was not intended or designed for residential traffic. He stated the residents were entitled to have a key to the gate for emergency purposes and the developer could not be responsible for those who chose to use the road for routine travel.

Commissioner Humke addressed the comment about Pleasant Valley citizens not being notified of the public hearing. He indicated notice was not sent by mail because the meeting was pursuant to an existing development agreement. Mike Harper, Planning Manager, explained that the County complied strictly with minimum legal requirements so as not to be accused of selective noticing.

Commissioner Humke, Mr. Harper and Mr. Francovich pointed out the locations of approximately five fire stations on the Power Point map display.

Mr. Harper recommended that the Board ask Mr. Francovich to draft the new conditions and terms and submit them to Community Development, to ensure everyone was comfortable with the language of the conditions before incorporating any amendments to them.

Commissioner Humke indicated that he and Mr. Peterson discussed possible homeowner association education for the homeowners who had keys to the gate. Mr. Peterson suggested the gate should be vandal proof. He stated it was necessary for the developer to put forward a clear policy concerning how construction traffic would be controlled and where it would be directed, particularly while St. James's Village Parkway was under construction. Mr. Peterson stated he spoke with Michael Greene, Fire Chief of the Sierra Fire Protection District (SFPD), prior to the meeting. Chief Greene indicated to him that both roads were needed during an emergency. Mr. Peterson emphasized that St. James's Village Parkway improvements must be to the satisfaction of the SFPD in the event of an evacuation from a wildfire in St. James Village and/or Galena Forest. He thanked Commissioner Humke for being a catalyst toward reaching an agreement between the developer and the homeowners.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Planning Commission's denial of Amendment of Conditions Case No. AC07-002 for St. James's Village, Inc. be overturned and the appellant's request for amendment be approved, having made the following findings in accordance with the Washoe County Development Code Section 110.608:

FINDINGS:

- 1. <u>Plan Consistency</u>. That the proposed map amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan;
- 2. <u>Design or Improvement</u>. That the design or improvement of the proposed subdivision is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan;
- 3. <u>Type of Development</u>. That the site is physically suited for the type of development proposed;
- 4. <u>Availability of Services</u>. That the subdivision will continue to meet the requirements of Article 702, Adequate Public Facilities Management System with the amendment;
- 5. <u>Fish or Wildlife</u>. That neither the design of the subdivision nor any proposed improvements is likely to cause substantial environmental damage, or substantial and avoidable injury to any endangered plant, wildlife or their habitat:
- 6. <u>Public Health</u>. That the design of the subdivision or type of improvement with the amendment is not likely to cause significant public health problems;

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- 7. <u>Easements</u>. That the design of the subdivision or the type of improvements will not conflict with easements acquired by the public at large for access through, or use of property within, the proposed subdivision;
- 8. <u>Access.</u> That the design of the subdivision with the amended conditions provides any necessary access to surrounding, adjacent lands and provides appropriate secondary access for emergency vehicles;
- 9. <u>Dedications</u>. That any land or improvements to be dedicated to the County is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan; and
- 10. <u>Energy</u>. That the design of the subdivision provides, to the extent feasible, for future passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities in the subdivision.
- 11. <u>Reasoned Consideration</u>. That the Board of County Commissioners gave reasoned consideration to the information contained within the staff report and information received during the public hearing.

With one additional finding:

12. That the terms orally stated and agreed to by the appellant and area residents as represented by their homeowner's association at the public hearing before the Board of County Commissioners on July 10, 2007 are hereby incorporated by reference. John Francovich, Attorney for the appellant, was asked to reduce the new terms to writing and forward them to Community Development staff. Staff was directed to ensure compliance with each of the terms as represented at the meeting; to ensure compliance through meetings with the interested parties and through comparison with video/audio recordings of the meeting.

07-826 <u>AGREEMENTS – FAMILY DRUG/ALCOHOL REHABILITATION</u> <u>SERVICES – DISTRICT COURT</u>

Chairman Larkin stated there was inadequate staff representation to consider this item.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that consideration of two Professional Services Agreements for family drug/alcohol rehabilitation services for the Family Drug Court be continued to a future meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

07-827 <u>ACCEPT GRANT – SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND</u> TREATMENT AGENCY – SHERIFF

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Lisa Haney, Chief Deputy, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the \$120,000 grant award (no County match) from the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency for citizens brought in for civil protective custody to the Washoe County Detention Facility be accepted, the Chairman be authorized to execute the Substance Abuse Evaluation and Referral Services Agreement between Bristlecone Family Resources and Washoe County (\$120,000 for July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008), and the Budget Division be directed to make the necessary budget adjustments.

DISCUSSION – BLOCK VOTE

The Board consolidated items 18, 19 and 20 (minute items 07-828, 07-829 and 07-839) into a block vote.

Rosemary Menard, Director of Water Resources, indicated the request for annual renewal of these sole source contracts came out of an audit that occurred a number of years ago. Commissioner Galloway pointed out there did not seem to be a limit on how much could be spent for each particular vendor if the Board were to approve the items as written. Ms. Menard explained there was a fixed estimate provided for specific preventive maintenance work but repair, replacement and emergency services were open ended so that type of work could be done immediately. Commissioner Galloway stated he was reluctant to set a precedent for giving a "blank check".

Commissioner Sferrazza noted there were estimates given in the staff report based on amounts spent during previous years. Ms. Menard asked for some latitude to get repair, replacement and emergency work done.

07-828 SOLE SOURCE DESIGNATION – ACTION ELECTRIC, INC. – PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE/EMERGENCY REPAIR OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE – WATER RESOURCES

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the sole source designation of Action Electric, Inc. be approved in the amount of \$41,110 for preventive maintenance and \$52,000 for repair, replacement and emergency electrical service for the Washoe County Department of Water Resources' sewer, water and reclaimed water facilities for fiscal year 2007-08. It was further ordered that amounts greater than \$52,000 for repair,

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replacement and emergency electrical service for fiscal year 2007-08 were to be brought before the Board retroactively for approval.

07-829 SOLE SOURCE DESIGNATION – SIERRA CONTROL SYSTEMS – PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE/EMERGENCY REPAIR OF SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEMS – WATER RESOURCES

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the sole source designation of Sierra Control Systems be approved in the amount of \$47,765 for preventive maintenance and \$80,000 for repair, replacement, emergency service and hardware upgrades of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems for the Washoe County Department of Water Resources' utility operations for fiscal year 2007-08. It was further ordered that amounts greater than \$80,000 for repair, replacement, emergency service and hardware upgrades for fiscal year 2007-08 were to be brought before the Board retroactively for approval.

07-830 SOLE SOURCE DESIGNATION – CARSON PUMP – EMERGENCY REPAIR OF PUMPING FACILITIES – WATER RESOURCES

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the sole source designation of Carson Pump be approved in the amount of \$90,000 for emergency services related to the repair of the Department of Water Resources' pumping facilities for fiscal year 2007-08. It was further ordered that amounts greater than \$90,000 for emergency services for fiscal year 2007-08 were to be brought before the Board retroactively for approval.

07-831 RESOLUTION – DECLARATION OF SURPLUS AREA AND INTENT TO LEASE BY AUCTION – PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he observed a presentation regarding this item to the Senior Services Advisory Board, where there was considerable support for the senior citizens' radio station.

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Deputy Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the declaration of surplus of 150 square feet of the lobby area within the Washoe County Senior Center at 1155 East 9th Street,

Reno, Nevada be approved and staff be directed to schedule a public auction for August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. to review written bids and hear oral bids regarding the lease of this County-owned space. It was further ordered that the following Resolution be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION DECLARATION OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY AND INTENT TO LEASE BY AUCTION

WHEREAS, Washoe County is the owner of the real property with improvements located at 1155 East 9th Street, Reno, Nevada, identified as the Washoe County Senior Center, which has a small area (150 square feet) located within the lobby that is surplus to the County's needs; and

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Public Works Department is recommending that it is in the best interest of the County that the 150 square feet of real property located within the building at 1155 East 9th Street, be declared as surplus to Washoe County's needs and offered to the public, for use as a radio broadcasting site for senior programming activities, by auction at a Board meeting to be held on August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., pursuant to NRS 244.283, with reservation, at a minimum price established by certified appraisal, and under the terms and conditions listed below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washoe County Board of Commissioners hereby declares the above-referenced property as surplus to the County's needs, and further recommends that this property be offered for lease as a radio broadcasting location for senior programming; and that it is in the best interest of the County and the public that this property be offered through the auction process outlined in Nevada Revised Statutes 244.283; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 150 square feet of space located within the lobby area of the Senior Services Center shall be auctioned and leased "AS IS, WHERE IS" to the highest qualified bidder in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes 244.283, at a public meeting of the Washoe County Board of Commissioners on August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., and following satisfaction of the terms and conditions set forth below, the Chairman shall be authorized to execute a three (3) year lease agreement, and that the minimum rent shall be Three Hundred Dollars and NO Cents (\$300.00) per month.

PROCESS: Notice of the auction and request for sealed written bids to be advertised at a minimum of one time per week for three successive weeks as required by NRS 244.283 and posted at the following locations: Washoe County Administration Building (1001 East 9th Street), Washoe County Central Library (301 South Center Street) and Sparks Justice Court (630 Greenbrae Drive). Written bids are to be accepted at the Washoe County Public Works Department, 1001 East Ninth Street, Building A, Reno, NV 89512, until Thursday, August 9, 2007 by 5:00 p.m. All bid envelopes must evidence "Surplus Property Bid". At the Washoe County Board of Commissioners

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meeting on August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., all sealed bids shall be opened, examined and declared, and of the proposals submitted that conform to all terms and conditions specified herein, which are made by responsible bidders, the bid that is the highest shall be accepted. However, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners will, before accepting a written bid, call for oral bids, and if a higher oral bid is made by a responsible person during the meeting, in conformance with all terms and conditions specified herein, for a price exceeding by at least five percent (5%) the highest qualified written bid, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners will accept the highest qualified oral bid. A person may not make an oral bid unless, at least 5 days before the meeting held for receiving and considering bids, they submit to the Board written notice of their intent to make an oral bid and a statement establishing their financial responsibility to the satisfaction of the Board. The Washoe County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids and withdraw any one or all of the properties from auction and/or adjourn the meeting and auction to a date and time within the ten (10) days next following, to be announced at the meeting.

TERMS: Upon award of the highest qualified bid, the successful bidder must immediately submit a non-refundable deposit equal to twenty percent (20%) of the minimum monthly lease value listed above by certified treasury, bank or cashier's check, and also execute the Lease Agreement. The remaining balance of the first month's lease expense is due and payable to Washoe County, c/o Public Works Department, 1001 East Ninth Street, Building A, Reno, NV 89512, within thirty (30) calendar days of the date on which the successful bidder is announced. In the event the successful bidder fails to tender either payment or execute the Lease Agreement, copies of which are available at the Washoe County Public Works Department, the County may elect to offer the property to the next highest, qualified bidder as the Washoe County Board of Commissioners may determine, or they may elect to start over with a new public auction for the property or may withdraw the property in question. The County will include utility and custodial costs within the rental rate. Lessee shall be responsible for any systems furnishings and telephone connectivity to provide service, as outlined in the lease agreement.

DISCLOSURE: The property to be leased hereby is offered "AS IS, WHERE IS" and potential bidders are urged to perform due diligence prior to submitting a bid. No warranties of any kind whatsoever, either express or implied, are made by Washoe County concerning the space in question, its condition, its value, any rights or obligations connected with the property, or the state of title to this property. The successful bidder will accept the lease presented by Washoe County subject to any and all physical conditions, property easements and encumbrances, including taxes of record. Any water rights appurtenant to the property shall remain in the ownership of the County. This property is offered without water rights and without representations thereof.

AUTHORITY: The successful bidder represents and warrants that it/he/she has the legal power, right and authority to bid on and enter into the Lease Agreement to provide senior radio programming as referenced herein, and to consummate this transaction.

07-832 <u>DISCUSSION/DIRECTION/RESOLUTION – OLD VERDI</u> JUSTICE COURT – PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Galloway questioned why the County did not lease rather than sell the property. Wendy Pitts, Property Manager for the Public Works Department, stated that a lease would require the County to bring the property up to code before delivering it for lease. She indicated the building was fairly old and there were some issues the County did not wish to take on. Commissioner Galloway asked if reversionary clauses would be discussed at the public hearing stage. Ms. Pitts assured him the Nevada Revised Statutes required a reversionary clause on the deed. Commissioner Galloway wondered if the property would revert if the buyer lacked the means to follow through. Assistant District Attorney Melanie Foster stated the Board could certainly condition the transaction in that manner. Ms. Pitts clarified the transaction would take the form of a public hearing rather than an auction because the sale was to a non-profit entity.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked if there was any background information on the non-profit organization and what they planned to do with the building. Ms. Pitts stated the non-profit group formed for the sole purpose of obtaining ownership of the building to store historical artifacts and open it to the community as a museum. Commissioner Sferrazza requested more information about the organization and Ms. Pitts agreed to provide that.

8:35 p.m. Commissioner Humke temporarily left the meeting.

Commissioner Galloway asked if offers from other groups could be entertained at the public hearing. Ms. Pitts stated the action before the Board was to consider the current offer and schedule the public hearing. She assured Commissioner Galloway that, at the time of the public hearing, the Board would have the opportunity to approve sale of the property, not approve sale of the property or withdraw it from sale.

8:36 p.m. Commissioner Humke returned to the meeting.

There was no public comment on this item.

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Deputy Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that declaration of the subject property, APN 038-403-03, known as the Old Verdi Justice Court, as surplus to the County's needs be approved, the Resolution of Surplus that follows below be adopted and the Chairman be authorized to execute the same, and a public hearing be scheduled as required by NRS 244.284, for August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., to consider acceptance of the offer by the Verdi Historical Preservation Society, Inc., a Nevada non-profit, and allow for any objections to this action. It was further noted that potential revenue to the Public Works Property Division cost center 160102-485191 was less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

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RESOLUTION OF DECLARATION OF SURPLUS

A RESOLUTION DECLARING APN 038-403-03 AS SURPLUS TO THE COUNTY'S NEEDS; SCHEDULE OF A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY TO THE VERDI HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY FOR A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, Washoe County owns a certain parcel of real property in Washoe County located at 740 Second Street, legal description is shown on Exhibit A, (hereinafter referred to as "County Parcel"), which was placed on file with the Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Verdi Historical Preservation Society is a corporation for public benefit as defined in NRS 82.021; and was formed to provide care and safety of area historical artifacts for the preservation and edification of individuals in Washoe County related to the Verdi area; and

WHEREAS, the Verdi Historical Preservation Society has requested the Washoe County Board of Commissioners transfer the above referenced parcel to its ownership for the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, Nevada Revised Statutes 244.284 authorizes the Washoe County Board of Commissioners to transfer real property owned by the County to a corporation for public benefit if used for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the use of the property by the Verdi Historical Preservation Society constitutes a public purpose because it provides public benefit and protection of our valuable historical resources; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners:

- 1. The subject real property is not needed for the public purposes of the County and may be transferred to the above-stated corporation for public benefit.
- 2. On August 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., the Washoe County Board of Commissioners shall hold a public hearing in order to allow for any objections to this property action.
- 3. The property must be used for charitable or civic purposes. In the event the corporation for public benefit ceases to use the property for charitable or civic purposes, the property automatically reverts to the County.
- 4. The sale price will be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and, upon approval by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners and satisfaction of all terms and conditions, the Chairman shall execute a deed to transfer the property to the Verdi Historical Preservation Society, Inc., a Nevada

Non-Profit in good standing, to be used for a public purpose.

REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM COUNTY COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Sferrazza announced he would be unable to attend the upcoming meeting of the Senior Services Advisory Board. Katy Singlaub, County Manager, stated the Assistant County Manager John Berkich could attend on Commissioner Sferrazza's behalf. Commissioner Galloway agreed to attend if it was for the Advisory Board to have a quorum.

Chairman Larkin announced a dedication and groundbreaking ceremony for La Posada, which would be attended by Governor Gibbons. He stated he would attend upcoming meetings of the Truckee Meadows Flood Control Committee and Regional Planning Governing Board. Chairman Larkin planned to travel to Sacramento for the changing of the guard for the new colonel of the Army Corps of Engineers.

Commissioner Weber indicated there would be a meeting with the Sierra Fire Protection District, the Verdi Volunteers and possibly the Cold Springs Volunteers. She stated she would be unable to attend the Regional Planning Governing Board meeting and the meeting of the Housing Task Force.

07-833 <u>DISCUSSION/DIRECTION – ESTABLISH PROCESS FOR</u> <u>INTERVIEW AND SELECTION OF RENO JUSTICE OF THE</u> <u>PEACE – MANAGER'S OFFICE</u>

<u>8:45 p.m.</u> Commissioner Sferrazza recused himself from this item. He left the meeting and did not return.

Chairman Larkin commented on the recent newspaper editorial regarding the appointment process. He recommended that all ten candidates be interviewed. Commissioner Galloway agreed. He pointed out eleven applications had been received and only one was not forwarded to the Board due to the candidate's lack of experience.

Commissioner Galloway stated he and Commissioner Humke compiled a list of questions with the assistance of Human Resources' staff. He suggested any of the Commissioners could add questions to the list if they wished and each Commissioner could select one or two questions to ask during the interview process. Commissioners would ask the same questions of each applicant.

Commissioner Humke recommended that only the applicant being interviewed be allowed in the auditorium.

Chairman Larkin asked Commissioners to provide any interview questions to the County Manager for inclusion on the list. Consistent with past practices, he

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suggested each Commissioner be asked to identify their top two candidates following the interviews.

Commissioner Weber was concerned that some random order be established, by drawing straws or some other means, to determine the order in which Commissioners would be asked to express their preferred candidates.

Commissioner Galloway indicated the Commissioners should not rank their two preferences but give them in alphabetical order according to their last names. Commissioner Weber added that Commissioners should identify the reasons for their preference.

Chairman Larkin emphasized this was not a job application but rather a political selection process. He thought it appropriate the Board use political procedures because the appointee would be required to run for office.

In response to the call for public comment, Florence Jones read a letter from Nevada State Assemblyman Harvey Munford from Las Vegas. The letter expressed concerns about applicant Dorothy Nash-Holmes. Chairman Larkin reminded Ms. Jones that the agenda item under discussion was regarding the selection process and she would have opportunity to provide testimony about the candidates themselves at the meeting on July 24, 2007.

Tonya Brown observed that the Reno City Council previously used a selection process where public comment for or against each applicant was given in front of that applicant.

Commissioner Galloway suggested that public comment take place with all the applicants present and the candidates be given the option to respond to any comments made about them.

Chairman Larkin summarized that public comment would take place at the beginning of the meeting with all of the candidates present. The candidates would then be dismissed and each one interviewed without the others present.

Ms. Singlaub acknowledged the Board's direction to staff regarding the process. Assistant District Attorney Melanie Foster agreed that staff direction was sufficient and it was not necessary for the Board to make a motion.

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<u>9:02 p.m.</u> There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ROBERT M. LARKIN, Chairman Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

AMY HARVEY, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Prepared by Stacy Gonzales and Lisa McNeill Deputy County Clerks

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