

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 24, 2004

PRESENT:

Jim Shaw, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairman
David Humke, Commissioner
Jim Galloway, Commissioner
Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

Amy Harvey, County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel

The Board met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the 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:

04-156 AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered the agenda for the February 24, 2004 meeting be approved, with the following amendments: **Delete:** Item 8B, a recommendation to award a bid for transfer trucks. It was noted that the correct dollar amount in Item 6A, returned checks write-off, should be \$30,815.41.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Al Hesson, Reno resident, voiced his complaints against George W. Bush, oil prices, and the arrogance of the Bush administration.

Sam Dehne, Reno resident, spoke about Secretary of State Dean Heller fining him \$2,500 for filing a report late.

COMMISSIONERS'/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Shaw pointed out the new signs in the Chambers, indicating the County's Vision and Policy Statements. County Manager Katy Singlaub said Kathy Carter and her staff were responsible for changing them, and Chairman Shaw thanked them.

Chairman Shaw said department heads have requested a retreat with the Board in the month of March. He suggested the Board members advise a convenient time for the retreat.

Commissioner Galloway asked staff to remind him before the deadline to finalize an agenda item concerning reports of discouraging signage and other notices of no trespassing on certain roads designated public roads in the Ballardini area.

Commissioner Weber attended Galena High School on Saturday when Miss Washoe County was crowned. She asked the Commission if they could invite Miss Washoe County, Chelsea Bibb, to visit the Board so they could see what an outstanding representative they have. She noted the Sun Valley Safety Task Force met last week and the group is making progress. Commissioner Weber announced two resignations from the Verdi Citizen Advisory Board and encouraged citizens in the area to apply for the positions.

Commissioner Sferrazza announced he attended the Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) meeting yesterday, and they are hiring a new executive director because Bob Hatfield will be retiring December 31, 2004. He said he will be attending the NACO Board Meeting in Washington, D.C. this weekend, and the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority is picking up the expenses because they are supporting Washoe County's application to be the site for the 2010 national convention. Commissioner Sferrazza noted there would be meetings with the federal elected representatives on Tuesday; and although he cannot attend all of those, he would be happy to make presentations to the Congressional delegation if desired.

Commissioner Galloway thanked Amy Harvey, County Clerk, for informing him of Incline High School being a finalist in the "We the People" competition and he said the school will be sending a team to Washington, D.C. He complimented all the schools participating in the competition.

Chairman Shaw said he challenged the Sparks City Council to participate in the Walk for Health Nevada. He noted there was a senior from Reed High School there from "We the People," and he suggested the Commission might involve students in their government practice also.

**04-157 RETURNED CHECKS WRITE-OFF 1987 THROUGH 2001 -
COLLECTIONS**

Upon recommendation of Robin Greco, Collections Division Administrator, and Trish Gonzales, Chief Deputy Comptroller, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the removal of \$30,815.41 from the Centralized Returned Check Account (8980-121013) be approved and that the Comptroller be directed to charge the appropriate key orgs contra revenue account (485300).

**04-158 AWARD OF BID - STEAMBOAT LIFT STATION AND PUMP –
WATER RESOURCES**

This was the time to consider award of bid for Steamboat Lift and Pump installation and repairs for the Water Resources Department.

Bids were received from the following vendors:

Resource Development Company
Petersen Construction

Upon recommendation of Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the bid for the Steamboat Lift Station and Pump installation and repairs be awarded to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder, Resource Development Company, in the amount of \$63,600. It was further ordered that Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the contract documents upon receipt, and the Engineering Manager be authorized to issue the Notice to Proceed.

**04-159 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REPORT OF SALE – SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS' DELINQUENT PROPERTY SALE -
TREASURER**

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that receipt of the Treasurer's Report of Sale, dated January 30, 2004, submitted pursuant to NRS 271.565 and NRS 271.595, be acknowledged. It was noted the report concerned the January 29, 2004 Special Assessment Districts' Delinquent Property Sale, at which six special assessment parcels were sold, four parcels in City of Reno assessment districts for \$10,433.09 and two parcels in Washoe County for \$16,817.83, for a total of \$27,250.92.

**04-160 PROPOSALS – STATE OF NEVADA - COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING - GRANTS
ADMINISTRATOR**

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Grants Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the submission of the Youth Recreation Center, the Prescription Relief Program, and the Integrated Case Management Pilot Implementation Project grant proposals to the State of Nevada for Community Development Block Grant funding consideration be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

04-161 AGREEMENT– MARCUS FAUST – WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that an agreement between Washoe County and Marcus Faust, in the amount of \$90,000, plus travel expenses over a 12-month period, for Congressional and federal agency lobbying services to address regional water and natural resource projects and issues, including the Truckee River Flood Management Project, the Spanish Springs Valley Nitrate Occurrence Project, the Lawton-Verdi Wastewater Project and public land transfers, be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

**04-162 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – BID4ASSETS, INC.
– 2004 ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX AUCTION/SALE -
TREASURER**

Upon recommendation of Bill Berrum, Washoe County Treasurer, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that a professional services contract between Washoe County and Bid4Assets, Inc. to conduct this year's annual property tax auction/sale via Internet auction be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

**04-163 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - WASHOE COUNTY SEARCH
AND RESCUE, INC. - SHERIFF**

Upon recommendation of Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that a donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Washoe County Search and Rescue, Inc., for purchase of equipment for the Washoe County Search and Rescue Unit, be accepted with the Board's gratitude.

It was further ordered that the following budget amendments be approved:

Increase Revenue Account	Amount	Increase Expense Account	Amount
20050-484000	\$ 1,000	20050-711504	\$ 1,000

**04-164 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION – WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF
REGIONAL AVIATION ENFORCEMENT RAVEN PROGRAM**

Upon recommendation of Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that a cash donation of \$29,000, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Regional Aviation Enforcement Program, through the Washoe County Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association by the Dion Peterson Foundation, Christopher J. Peterson, Trustee, be accepted with the Board's gratitude.

It was further ordered that the following budget amendments be approved:

Increase Revenue Account	Amount	Increase Expense Account	Amount
20060-484000	\$ 29,000	20060-710205	\$ 29,000

**04-165 ACCEPTANCE OF CASH DONATIONS – SUN VALLEY POOL
WATERSLIDE PROJECT - PARKS**

Commissioner Weber personally thanked Jennifer Budge of the Parks Department, all the members of the Citizen Advisory Board and the community of Sun Valley. She noted there have been even more donations since this agenda item was posted, and Chairman Shaw also thanked all the donors.

Karen Mullen, Parks and Recreation Director, handed out the brochure created by Ms. Budge and staff. She noted the pool serves over 13,000 kids each year, and this could not happen without great community support. She individually acknowledged and thanked the donors who were present.

Upon recommendation of Ms. Budge, Recreational Specialist III, and Douglas Mullens, Recreation Services Superintendent, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that cash donations in the amount of \$41,414.28, to benefit the Parks Department's Sun Valley Pool Waterslide Project be accepted from the following businesses and individuals with the Board's gratitude. It was further ordered that expenditures, not to exceed \$800, be approved to provide recognition plaques for donors over \$500, certificates to those under \$500, and to support the grand opening event.

CASH DONATIONS

DONOR	AMOUNT
Lifestyle Homes Incorporated	\$ 12,000.00
Western Nevada Supply Company	\$ 12,000.00
Hobey's Restaurant and Casino	\$ 8,000.00
International Game Technology (IGT)	\$ 2,500.00
2003 Corporate Challenge	\$ 2,114.60
Waterslide Fundraiser: Halloween Teen Dance	\$ 1,681.68
Curves for Women	\$ 1,482.00
Deborah and David Kladney	\$ 500.00
Wee Kids Preschool	\$ 250.00
Nevada Organics	\$ 250.00
Ralcorp Holdings Incorporated	\$ 200.00
Tuscarora Gas – Transmission Company	\$ 100.00
The Engravers	\$ 100.00
West End Women's Medical Group	\$ 100.00
Karen Mullen	\$ 25.00
Doug Doolittle	\$ 25.00

Daniel Carne	\$ 25.00
Margarita Lopez	\$ 20.00
Galen "Mitch" Mitchell	\$ 20.00
Marjorie Cutler	\$ 10.00
Charles Woodland	\$ 5.00
Jeff Miller	\$ 5.00
Kiley Stevens	\$ 1.00
Total	\$ 41,414.28

It was further ordered that the following account transactions be approved:

Increase Revenue Account	Amount	Increase Expense Account	Amount
20020-484000	\$ 41,414.28	20020-781001	\$ 41,414.28

It was noted that the estimated total cost of \$56,000 includes purchase, shipping, installation and necessary facility modifications; and that cash donations totaling \$10,494.67 were received in previous fiscal years. The Parks Department is currently soliciting the remaining \$6,000 needed for the project.

04-166 AWARD OF BID – LAZY 5 PHASE 2 – PWP-WA-2004-94 – PUBLIC WORKS

County Manager Katy Singlaub noted this project was funded by the 2000 Parks, Trails and Open Space Bond.

This was the time to consider award of bid, Notice to Contractors for receipt of sealed bids having been published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on January 16, 23 and 30, 2004 for Lazy 5 Phase 2 for the Public Works Department. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Bids were received from the following:

- A & K Earth Movers
- Cruz Construction
- Gradex Construction
- Granite Construction
- Schauer Excavation
- Sierra Nevada Construction
- West Coast Contractors

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Capital Projects Division Director, through Tom Gadd, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the bid for Lazy 5 Phase 2 be awarded to the low, responsive, responsible bidder, Gradex Construction Company, in the amount of \$735,655, and that Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the contract for same upon presentation.

RESOLUTION – TAX REFUND - DERMODY FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I – DISTRICT ATTORNEY

County Manager Katy Singlaub noted this item was on the agenda previously, and that the District Attorney’s Office came back with a proposed recommendation. She said Deputy District Attorney Blaine Cartlidge, the author of the recommendation, was present to address the issue, if needed.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution granting a partial refund for fiscal year 2002/03, in the amount of \$2,088.19, be adopted and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same. It was further ordered that the Decision denying the refund for fiscal year 2001/02 be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

RESOLUTION

Directing the County Treasurer to Refund Taxes

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County, pursuant to NRS 354.220-354.240, has the authority to direct the County Treasurer to refund money paid into the County Treasury; and

WHEREAS, Dermody Family Limited Partnership I ("Taxpayer") made application for a partial refund of real property taxes for the 2002-2003 tax year on APN 086-101-28; and

WHEREAS, the Taxpayer has overpaid taxes for the 2002-2003 fiscal year in the amount of \$2,088.19; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that the Taxpayer has just cause for making such application for the 2002-2003 tax year and that the granting of the partial refund would be equitable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Treasurer of Washoe County is authorized and directed to refund to Dermody Family Limited Partnership I, a total of \$2,088.19, which is the amount of the taxes overpaid for the 2002-2003 tax year on APN 086-101-28.
2. The Treasurer of Washoe County is further directed to debit the account of each governmental entity that has shared in the excess of the taxes collected in error for its prorata share of the refund.

**REQUEST FOR SUPPORT – PUBLIC ACQUISITION OF
CONSERVATION EASEMENT - NEVADA LAND
CONSERVANCY**

Commissioner Humke noted this was the first time they have been successful in obtaining a conservation easement to preserve some agriculturally used land in perpetuity. He stated he wished to recognize the owner of the Greil Ranch who was gracious enough to do this.

Alicia Reban, Nevada Land Conservancy (NLC) Executive Director, stated they are excited to be working on their first conservation easement. She identified sources of funding for this project and noted they are applying for State Question 1 Funding and through farm bill funding for the required match. She stated today they are seeking the required blessing of the County Commission, and she reviewed the benefits of approving this request and the historical significance of the ranch.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked for specifics regarding costs. Ms. Reban stated a price had not yet been agreed upon, but state and federal funding require they pay no more than fair market value. Commissioner Sferrazza asked for the parameters. Ms. Reban said an easement's value is based on appraisal, both before the easement is placed and after; and the difference is the value of the conservation easement. In further response to Commissioner Sferrazza's inquiry, Ms. Reban said the zoning is a mix of general and high-density rural.

Commissioner Galloway said he would support the process and suggested Mr. Greil address the Board. Ms. Reban noted the NLC would hold and manage the easement in cooperation with other active agencies in the valley.

Commissioner Humke asked what ingress and egress rights are granted in the easement. Ms. Reban said a conservation easement does not guarantee public access unless it is a specific condition, and it depends on what is in the best interest of the natural resources being protected. She said benefits to the public could range from public access to preservation of an historic or scenic view. Commissioner Humke said the easement would be a promise not to develop the property, and Ms. Reban concurred.

Commissioner Humke noted it is a gorgeous piece of property and is something to preserve for the many Washoe County kids who need to have exposure to agriculture.

Mr. Greil echoed Ms. Reban's remarks and confirmed he does have donative intent, for relief of some relatively minor debt on the property; and after that is taken care of, he wishes to donate the rest for the easement.

Commissioner Galloway said he believes Mr. Greil could continue to be a good steward for agricultural use of the property and will continue to pay taxes on the agricultural value of the property, which Mr. Greil confirmed. Commissioner Galloway

said doing complete acquisitions and removal from the tax rolls has been a problem in the past. He stated he would support this process and asked that the necessary public access to go through land be considered in the process.

Tina Nappe, NLC, stated she grew up on the other side of Washoe Lake looking at the Greil Ranch, and she is very excited about this.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the request of the Nevada Land Conservancy for Board support and endorsement of the public acquisition of a conservation easement protecting farmland and scenic open space on the east side of Washoe Lake across from Washoe Lake State Park, utilizing available public funds granted by the State of Nevada via the State Question-1 2002 or SQ-1 voter-approved bond, be approved. It was further ordered that the Nevada Land Conservancy hold and manage the conservation easement.

04-169 APPLICATION TO CITY OF RENO – ABANDONMENT OF ASPEN GLEN DRIVE

Upon recommendation of Mike Harper, Planning Manager, and at the request of the Aspen Glen Drive Trust, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that this matter be continued indefinitely.

04-170 JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT – U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY – NITRATE SOURCE STUDY – WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Jeanne Ruefer, Water Resources Planning Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Joint Funding Agreement for Water Resources Investigations, between Washoe County and the U.S. Geological Survey, United States Department of the Interior, concerning implementation of a nitrate source study, in the amount of \$325,160 over a three-year period, with a cost share of 46 percent federal (\$150,000) and 54 percent County (\$175,160), be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

04-171 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION – ESTABLISHMENT OF FOUR NEW CLASSIFICATIONS AND NINE NEW POSITIONS - SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

County Manager Katy Singlaub advised that this proposal meets all requirements of County policy, and is being brought forward because the positions come under Washoe County as employees, will be pursuant to a grant, and a donation from the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Foundation will be accepted to fund the positions and this program.

Commissioner Humke asked if the employees would be apprised of their specific status in writing and sign a receipt. Ron Longtin, District Court Administrator and Clerk of the Court, said they would be advised both in writing and verbally during the interview process.

Commissioner Humke noted this is a very positive crime-prevention type project that can save heartaches for many kids and their parents and will be good for the County.

In response to Chairman Shaw's request, Mary Herzig, CASA Program Director, said funding is for two years, with the expectation, it will extend to another two years.

Mr. Longtin thanked the County and said the Finance Department and Grants Coordinator Gabrielle Enfield were very helpful in assisting with the coordination.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked if these positions are temporary as classified under hiring procedures. Ms. Herzig said they are described as: one permanent full-time program coordinator at .75 full-time equivalent, one permanent full-time program assistant at 1.0 full-time equivalent, five non-benefited intermittent hourly human services support specialists, and two non-benefited intermittent hourly counselor positions. She noted these are considered intermittent hourly, not temporary, and the other positions are considered permanent. She said employees would be notified they are permanent only within the term of the grant as long as it is available.

In response to Commissioner Sferrazza, Darin Conforti, Finance Department, said because this is reoccurring employment, they are not temporary positions. He said the life of these positions would extend for the life of the grant, which is beyond the six months defined as temporary, so they are classified as intermittent hourly.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked if another classification could be defined to avoid creating permanent positions that really are not because they will only last for the life of a grant. He suggested defining a temporary position as six months or expiring at the end of a grant.

Ms. Herzig said his point was well taken and noted many organizations have looked at alternative terminology because "permanent" does imply a commitment. She noted there are at-will employees and other statuses that might also need to be revisited, and she said she would do so with Human Resources' staff.

Commissioner Weber reiterated Commissioner Sferrazza's comments and asked if the Charting Our Course (COC) Committee could look at the issue. Ms. Singlaub said it is a legal issue and should flow through the ordinances. Commissioner Sferrazza stated he would support the item with the understanding these are not permanent positions.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Longtin, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that a donation from the CASA Foundation, in the amount of \$145,000, through June 30, 2006, for the Family Peace Center be accepted, and four new classes of positions be established as follows:

Position Title	Salary Range
Program Coordinator	\$43,492.80 - \$56,555.20
Program Assistant	\$40,684.00 - \$52,915.20
Counselor	\$54,225.60 - \$70,470.40
Human Services Support Specialist	\$32,240.00 - \$41,912.00

It is further ordered that the creation of the following grant-funded positions be authorized:

Number	Description	Position	FTE Equivalent
1	permanent full-time	Program Coordinator	.75 FTE
1	permanent full-time	Program Assistant	1.0 FTE
5	non-benefited, intermittent hourly	Human Services Support Specialist	.24 FTE each
2	non-benefited, intermittent hourly	Counselor	.21 FTE each

It is further ordered the Comptroller be directed to make the following account adjustments:

Order #	Account	Amount
20154	484000	\$ 145,000.00
20154	701120	\$ 42,063.00
20154	701130	\$ 54,457.00
20154	705110	\$ 6,538.00
20154	705210	\$ 8,518.00
20154	705230	\$ 1,400.00
20154	710100	\$ 30,116.00
20154	710508	\$ 1,908.00

Commissioner Galloway thanked the CASA Foundation for the gracious donation they have made.

**04-172 LETTER FROM CONGRESSMAN JIM GIBBONS – REFORMING
THE SOUTHERN NEVADA PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT
ACT – FEDERAL LAND ACQUISITIONS IN WASHOE COUNTY**

County Manager Katy Singlaub initiated a conference call, welcomed Congressman Gibbons, and thanked him for his time. Congressman Gibbons thanked

everyone for having this dialogue, noted the issue is very important, and suggested there is a lot of misinformation.

Congressman Gibbons read his February 24, 2004 testimony concerning reforming the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act of 1997, and the Board followed along as he stated his case. A copy of the Congressman's testimony was placed on file with the Clerk. At the conclusion of his remarks, he thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. He asked Sandra Keel, Legislative Assistant, to remain on the line to monitor the proceedings, and he concluded his portion of the call. Vinson Guthreau, from the Congressman's Office, introduced himself and Betty Jo Vonderheide, the Congressman's District Director in Reno.

Sam Dehne, Reno resident, stated he agreed with the Congressman's statement challenging that things are better when federal government takes over. He was adamantly against federal money being spent to take over citizens' lands, especially under condemnation and eminent domain.

Tina Nappe stated she was a Reno and a Nevada resident, and a citizen/taxpayer of the federal government and said these responsibilities must be addressed at all levels. She noted it is dangerous to move a public trust from a national to a statewide base. She suggested the Board provide a forum to allow public input on the future of public lands.

In response to Commissioner Sferrazza, Ms. Nappe replied there is an open-space plan for southern Washoe County but not enough money in Question 1, in the flood plans, or in WC-1 to meet open-space plan obligations. She said the public supports open space, and though the federal government may not always be an easy partner, it often pays for things.

Carl Adams, Backcountry Coalition, disagreed with the proposal and urged the Board not to pass up this opportunity for Sierra access. He said legal, public accesses into the Sierra front are few but enormously important. He suggested the money be used to acquire access and denounced rejecting the federal government acquiring more land across the board.

Chairman Shaw acknowledged Susan Lynn's e-mail and her concern about Washoe County projects being severely impacted by reductions, specifically the Flood Control Acquisition Program, the Sierra Front Recreation Access, Wildlife Hunting Access, and others. She asked the Board to study the fiscal impacts on Washoe County.

Commissioner Galloway said the Board had not endorsed the staff report or the draft letter. He put emphasis on open space as a relief valve, enhancing the quality of life in populated areas. He disapproved of acquisitions like Home Camp Ranch, which should be preserving the state's ranching heritage, and said judicious acquisition of

access to public land is appropriate if it enhances and improves quality of life in rapidly developing and populated areas.

Commissioner Galloway suggested Nevada could not survive economically without compensation for non-sensitive areas that are taken and advocated a no-net-decrease-in-acreage policy. He said compensation must make something else available and noted urban areas where ranching was eliminated. He condoned the conservation easement because it is in an area where the public needs it and noted Home Camp Ranch as an example of an unnecessary acquisition.

Ms. Singlaub thanked Congressman Gibbons and apologized for the confusion regarding the notion that federal ownership automatically provides watershed protection. She clarified that if the Act provided funding for acquisition and management of sensitive lands, then it would be an appropriate public protection of watershed and flood protection areas. She said access is blocked to national forest lands unless these sensitive lands are publicly owned.

Commissioner Humke noted that other states do not have the burden of 87 percent federal land ownership, which is not on the tax rolls and is not even managed in most cases. He noted this is tied to the education impact that Congressman Gibbons' bill provides for. He agreed with the idea of a swap resulting in no greater increase over the 87 percent. He suggested the Board look favorably on the Congressman's proposal.

Commissioner Sferrazza said his concern is with laws benefiting acquisition of federal lands by special interests. He noted Nevada is not like the eastern states, where they select two sections out of every township for schools. He said properties selected around the rivers and water bodies are given over to connected people who end up benefiting, rather than the general population. He favored fair competition for lands without special negotiated deals. Mr. Guthreau asked for clarification, and Commissioner Sferrazza responded that developers with connections, rather than the general public, tend to get areas of surplus set aside by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

Commissioner Sferrazza noted on Home Camp there was a willing seller and a willing buyer. He opposed condemning property for acquiring open space unless there is a willing seller. He favored acquiring open space for future generations and wanted a reduction of federal funding for acquisitions. He stated education is the school board's obligation and should be federally supported. He said it shouldn't be supported by county capital asset sales.

Commissioner Sferrazza said some counties do not prefer federally acquired lands, but noted Washoe County would accept more if possible. He said Washoe County does not have funds to acquire some environmentally sensitive lands and is trying to acquire Ballardini Ranch, but additional funding is needed. He would like to see more federal money and said there probably would be a willing seller if Washoe

County had more money. Chairman Shaw agreed with Commissioner Sferrazza's view of not limiting the ability to acquire as much public land as possible.

Commissioner Weber suggested this come back for further discussion, as more information is needed. She said citizens need to be aware of how much land is federally owned and regulated. She suggested the federal government be responsible for education. She did not feel more federal lands were needed, and she liked the idea of trading it out with a no-net increase policy.

Commissioner Galloway stated he does support Congressman Gibbons' proposed formula and advised being cautious about how the remaining money is spent. He said access, and being able to buy access without proving it is environmentally sensitive, should be given priority. He suggested government divest itself of acreage as it acquires sensitive acreage that needs preserving, to create a mechanism to transfer the money from the sales. Mr. Guthreau responded that limiting expendable money forces prioritization, as opposed to asking what is available. He noted that this is the very point of the change.

Robert Uithoven, Congressman Gibbons' Chief of Staff, clarified, via telephone, that the funds from sales of public lands go into a permanent trust fund with the interest going to help pay for education. He said Congressman Gibbons would entertain the Commission's request to introduce a Northern Nevada Public Lands Management bill, which would put more emphasis on northern Nevada's needs and accomplish what the Commissioners have suggested. He suggested they implement an acre-for-acre formula so there is no net gain of federal government lands in Nevada.

Chairman Shaw said he thought that was in progress. Ms. Singlaub said Washoe County is working with the Forest Service, BLM, and other partners to identify possible parcels for a northern Nevada lands bill. She added they are working with Douglas County and Carson City to partner together and have also been working with Senators Ensign and Reid.

Chairman Shaw described a faxed letter from Brian Beffort opposing Congressman Gibbons' proposal to use the funding to provide for education and stated his reasons.

Commissioner Galloway reiterated he could support Congressman Gibbons' proposal if there were some modifications regarding access, some prioritization, and some protections that there be no further erosion of the total amount of private lands in Nevada.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he would support legislation allowing for a local county option as to federal funding.

Mr. Guthreau thanked the Board and noted he would follow up with staff to have the Commission's comments formalized for the Congressman.

4:00 p.m. The Board recessed.

4:20 p.m. The Board reconvened with Commissioner Sferrazza absent.

4:35 p.m. Commissioners Sferrazza returned during the following item.

04-173 **AGREEMENT – BECKWOURTH/MCMULLEN
MEDIATION MATTER – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Mike Harper, Planning Manager, reviewed timeframes and general items to be included in the agreement prior to processing an amendment to the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan for the Beckwourth/McMullen properties. He directed the Board's attention to the last page of a handout that showed where the buffer area is located.

Neal Cobb, Golden Valley resident, spoke in support of adopting the amendment and noted his concerns for setting a precedent for the future. He said the residents of Golden Valley have a window of opportunity and are working with developers to do something they believe in. He said these are good plans, but there are times when they need to be amended, and this is one of those times.

Commissioner Weber stated it was important for Legal Counsel to address Mr. Cobb's concerns and that the public understands what the situation really is. Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel, responded that there are only two property groups, Bushey/Busi and Beckwourth/McMullen, so there would be no precedent set.

Mr. Harper responded that the Board's approval of the agreement does not commit to any action for or against the actual amendment coming to the Board in April.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Harper, on motion of Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that an agreement for the processing of an amendment to the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan for the Beckwourth/McMullen property owners, and settling of the mediation relating to said property, be approved and the Assistant District Attorney be authorized to execute the same.

04-174 **RESOLUTION – RENO-STEAD CORRIDOR JOINT PLAN –
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Mike Harper, Planning Manager, said the Board initiated the change to the land use classification and added clarification regarding inadvertent clerical errors that Counsel assured would not create a problem in taking action on this issue.

Mr. Harper noted the rest of the changes deal with matters that occurred since the action in November 2003, including the Bushey issue being settled. He said the City of Reno asked for changes regarding outdoor storage and screening, which were agreed to; and a technical amendment recognizing that the sphere of influence was

amended by the Regional Plan in 2002. He said the item is scheduled for March 16, 2004 before the Washoe County Planning Commission.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Harper, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution, initiating an amendment to the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan, the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan, and a part of the North Valleys Plan, to amend 176.17 acres of land, be adopted, and that Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION INITIATING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WASHOE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, RENO-STEAD CORRIDOR JOINT PLAN, A PART OF THE NORTH VALLEYS PLAN, TO AMEND 176.17 ACRES OF LAND FROM LOW DENSITY SUBURBAN AND GENERAL RURAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY SUBURBAN, ADD DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR 14 PARCELS AS ENUMERATED IN AN AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE WILD STALLION PROPERTY OWNERS AND THE GOLDEN VALLEY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, AND CHANGE THE CITY OF RENO SPHERE OF INFLUENCE TO COINCIDE WITH THE NORTH AND EAST BOUNDARIES OF THE 14 PARCELS LOCATED NORTH OF BECKWOURTH DRIVE AND EAST OF NORTH HILLS BOULEVARD; TO ADD OPEN STORAGE AS A USE; TO ADD SCREENING AND FENCING STANDARDS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND OPEN STORAGE USES WITHIN THE ENTIRE CORRIDOR PLAN; TO AMEND THE BOUNDARY OF THE CORRIDOR PLAN TO EXCLUDE A 4.65 ACRE PARCEL LOCATED SOUTH OF SURGE ST. AND WEST OF LEMMON DRIVE.

WHEREAS, in November 2003 the Board of County Commissioners initiated an amendment to the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan to implement understandings reached between the Golden Valley Property Owners Association and property owners collectively referred to as the Wild Stallion project; and

WHEREAS, those understandings included a desired amendment of the land use within the Wild Stallion project from Low Density Suburban and General Rural to Medium Density Suburban, and desired development standards that would address such issues as a one-acre minimum lot buffer along the north and east boundaries of the Wild Stallion project, limited vehicular access points to the project and "Dark Skies" concepts; and

WHEREAS, since the initiation of that comprehensive plan amendment in November and pursuant to certain mediation efforts with regards to the Beckwourth/McMullen and Bushey properties it is desirable that an adjustment of the City of Reno sphere of influence to the north and east boundaries of the Wild Stallion Project, and elimination of what is

commonly referred to as the Bushey property, from the joint plan, occur; and

WHEREAS, through discussion among the City of Reno and Washoe County Community Development Department staffs, it was agreed that it would be an opportune time to consider screening and fencing standards for industrial and outdoor storage uses within the joint plan; and

WHEREAS, it is most efficient for the Board of County Commissioners to adopt a new resolution amending the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan that includes its original direction of November 2003 and adds the requested court amendments and the proposed staff amendments; and

WHEREAS, there is no one person, group or entity that might appropriately file a WASHOE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN amendment application for the described property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners does hereby initiate an amendment to the Reno-Stead Corridor Joint Plan, a part of the North Valleys Area Plan to change the land use designation from Low Density Suburban and General Rural to Medium Density Suburban on 176.17 acres of land, add development standards for 14 parcels as enumerated in an agreement concluded between the Wild Stallion property owners and the Golden Valley Property Owners Association, and change the City of Reno sphere of influence to coincide with the north and east boundaries of the 14 parcels located north of Beckwourth Dr. and east of North Hills Blvd.; add screening and fencing standards for industrial and open storage uses within the entire corridor plan; and to amend the joint plan boundary to exclude a 4.65 acre parcel located south of Surge St. and west of Lemmon Dr. without prejudice to the final disposition of the proposed amendment.

04-175 GOLF COURSE REPORT – APPROVAL OF 2004 GOLF COURSE FEE SCHEDULE - PARKS

Darin Conforti, Acting Budget Manager, said this item addresses golf course issues in Washoe County and noted the general intent is improvement of their overall financial condition. He gave background on the financial condition of the golf courses, as contained in his memo dated February 3, 2004.

Doug Doolittle, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, reviewed the fee proposal and discussed the general decline in rounds of play in the Truckee Meadows since 1991. He outlined ways to increase revenue sources and said the request for proposals (RFP) for a consultant to review public golf course operations in the Truckee Meadows and provide a plan into the future are due March 5, 2004. He mentioned there

might be four additional golf courses built in the future, which would impact the rounds of play; and he suggested adjustments be made to correct this.

Mr. Conforti asked the Board to provide direction on their willingness to increase the amount of general fund subsidy. He noted the amount provided by the general fund and said that additional infusions from the general fund may be necessary because of the precarious financial condition of the golf course fund. He indicated the need to channel cash into the golf course fund just to meet its payroll expenses.

Commissioner Sferrazza noted a meeting at the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) and a growing feeling they would like to let Northgate go. He stated the homeowners are concerned about it reverting back to housing developments. He proposed a public-private partnership with homeowners subsidizing maintenance for those courses, because they are the primary beneficiaries. He asked if any of the golf courses could be converted into less costly open space with parks.

Mr. Doolittle suggested the consultant address those issues and stated there are some reversionary clauses with Sierra Sage and Washoe golf courses that would prevent conversion into open space.

Chairman Shaw directed Mr. Doolittle's attention to Exhibit B on the staff report. After reviewing the proposed increases in senior play rates, Chairman Shaw asked if anything other than seven percent was discussed at the Golf Council or the Parks Commission, or if seven percent was staff's recommendation to make ends meet. Mr. Doolittle said they looked at several options with different percentages, including a flat-fee option.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, John Sherman, Finance Director, said staff recommends that if water rights sale proceeds are used to infuse cash into the fund, that it be used to replenish capital accounts used for one-time expenditures and not to subsidize operating costs. Mr. Sherman said that restricting it so it cannot leave capital accounts except for capital expenses would be his preference. In answer to further questions, Mr. Sherman suggested that corrections should be made after reviewing the consultant's findings.

Commissioner Sferrazza reviewed the rates and restrictions on mid-week passes and weekend play and said that retired seniors are able to play mid-week. He stated passes should be limited to mid-week and weekends should be available for open play. Mr. Sherman noted that was discussed, and there is a \$3.00 surcharge for weekend play for all use, which is different from previous years.

In response to Chairman Shaw's inquiry about allowances, Mr. Doolittle replied that people are cautioned to purchase only what they will use because part of the Golf Council's and Park Commission's recommendation was no rollovers, except perhaps for medical reasons.

Chairman Shaw asked about the bond coverage ratio of one percent, and Mr. Conforti explained that public debt disclosure has to be reported each year to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Chairman Shaw noted that it would put them on the brink of bankruptcy if it is not adhered to, and Mr. Doolittle said the forecast would address whether the fund would stay solvent without additional general fund support. Mr. Doolittle said the County could not borrow money against the revenue stream of the golf course unless it is solvent, and it would have an effect on the County's credit rating if this does not turn around.

Commissioner Weber asked if Golden Passes are for those 80 and older, which Mr. Doolittle confirmed. She asked if the general public realizes what a difficult situation this is and that it is detrimental to Washoe County to continue providing public golf. She supported the seven percent increase but noted, in reality, it probably should be more.

Commissioner Humke stated he did not have a specific proposal but was against subsidizing non-residents. In response to questioning, Mr. Doolittle noted that the junior status is age 16, and Commissioner Humke noted there were very few juniors playing relative to the total. He suggested that the \$3.00 surcharge for weekend play is not enough. Commissioner Humke asked what is envisioned for next year, and Mr. Doolittle said that would depend on the consultant's report.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked about play at capacity or above, and Mr. Doolittle responded that it rarely happens but is possible. He said 210 or 220 rounds of golf per day on either course would be a busy day. Commissioner Sferrazza suggested increasing the weekend rate. Mr. Doolittle mentioned two years of poor course conditions. He agreed that weekend play should have a premium, but for now the need was to rebuild player confidence and get people playing.

Bonnie Foard, Reno Gold Council, reviewed the report she gave at the December 2, 2003 Washoe County Open Space and Regional Park Commission hearing. She requested the Board not take the joy of golfing away from the ones that are still mentally and physically able to utilize the facilities in their remaining years.

Gary Schmidt, area resident, said government is not good at operating business and noted his moral and environmental objection to building and maintaining golf courses in deserts. He agreed Washoe County should not subsidize non-resident golfers and said golf courses are not public parks and appeal only to a limited segment, so the entire population should not subsidize them.

Lorraine Duato, local resident, stated she is in favor of County golf courses, and she said seven percent is fair since multiple-play fees are not changing. She stated she does not want to see maintenance workers eliminated.

Barney Bell, Reno resident, noted declining numbers, the history of fungus in 2002, and enumerated various awards. He said the condition of the course is

the most important part of the operation, and he forecasted the coming year will show significantly increased rounds at the public courses because the competition is not affordable to the general public.

Jim Barth, President of Reno Men's Golf Club, extended an invitation to the Board to attend his Board of Directors meeting on March 2, 2004. He offered lunch and a tour of the Washoe County Golf Course and said this issue should be addressed in one common meeting. He stated he is not against the seven percent increase but the \$3.00 charge is ridiculous.

Commissioner Weber acknowledged Ms. Foard's comments but noted the issue is not about golf course water rights. She asked if golfers were aware that all Washoe County taxpayers are subsidizing them. She stated they want public participation in this great County resource but it would go away if something is not done. She said the increase has to be more than ten percent.

Chairman Shaw asked for reasons for abolishing a maintenance worker position, and Mr. Doolittle said they added a higher-level lead position for a seven-day schedule of supervision and maintenance.

Chairman Shaw asked if all five recommendations are required now, and Mr. Doolittle requested approval on the first four. Mr. Doolittle noted the last item was for the Board's direction on future budgeting and the general fund subsidy level. Mr. Sherman echoed Mr. Doolittle's explanation of the future long-term resolutions and subsidies from the general fund. Chairman Shaw stated he would prefer waiting to approve number five until there is more information.

Commissioner Galloway suggested discussing number five later and said he would move to approve recommendations one through four. He noted these are stopgaps and agreed operations may have to cease on one or more courses. Commissioner Weber indicated she would not second the motion and suggested at least a ten percent increase to allow people to continue golfing.

Chairman Shaw asked for further discussion regarding a ten percent increase, and Mr. Conforti explained their projections on how fees could be increased versus the resulting loss in rounds of play and the willingness of the people to pay the extra fee. He agreed neither seven percent nor ten percent would solve the problems, and advocated multiple-year increases.

Commissioner Humke noted Mr. Conforti's warning that ten percent would result in jeopardy of feeding from the general fund, suggested seven percent is a reasonable attempt that is publicly accepted, and he seconded the motion. Chairman Shaw agreed with Commissioner Humke's remarks.

Commissioner Sferrazza noted the increase is actually 7.9 percent. He asked for an explanation as to the \$300,000 reduction in operating costs, and Mr.

Conforti said expenditures exceed restaurant operation revenues by \$30,000 to \$40,000. He said \$300,000 is the combined reduction from outsourcing food operations and the position elimination. Commissioner Sferrazza asked Mr. Conforti to provide the numbers before voting; to show what they are giving up and receiving, and Mr. Conforti offered to provide the specific details of the \$300,000.

Commissioner Humke asked again about the figures, and Mr. Doolittle explained the particulars and said the actual potential revenue gain was \$60,000. There was further discussion regarding revenue and specific contracts at Sierra Sage and Washoe.

Commissioner Weber said she strongly advocates a ten percent increase now. She offered apologies for not supporting the motion and added she still wants to visit the golf courses.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Doolittle and Mr. Conforti, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Weber voting "no," it was ordered that the Golf Course Report on the financial and operational condition of the Golf Course Fund be accepted, and the following actions be taken:

1. The 2004 golf course fee schedule (approximately seven percent) be approved;
2. The future transfer of a portion of the water rights sale proceeds to the Golf Course fund, approximately \$412,000, be approved;
3. The Maintenance Worker II position (number 70001615) be abolished;
4. Staff be authorized to proceed on the RFP for contracting out food and beverage services at the Washoe and Sierra Sage Golf Courses.

Chairman Shaw asked about Board preference on dealing with recommendation five, concerning the Board's willingness to increase the amount of general fund subsidy to the Golf Course Fund. On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that recommendation number five be continued to a later date.

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**RESOLUTION OF INTENT – GENERAL OBLIGATION
(LIMITED TAX) SEWER BONDS – COLD SPRINGS AND
SPANISH SPRINGS**

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Chairman Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following Resolution be adopted, and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-176

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT, PROPOSING THE ISSUANCE OF, AND AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICES RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) SEWER BONDS (ADDITIONALLY SECURED BY PLEDGED REVENUES) SERIES 2004 IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$9,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING SEWER PROJECTS FOR COLD SPRINGS AND SPANISH SPRINGS; PROVIDING THE MANNER, FORM AND CONTENTS OF THE NOTICE THEREOF; PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO; AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

WHEREAS, Washoe County in the State of Nevada (the "County" and the "State", respectively) is a county duly organized and created under the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") Section 243.340; and

WHEREAS, the County now owns and operates a municipal sanitary sewer system (the "Sewer System") and municipal water system (the "Water System"; collectively, the "Utility System"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County (the "Board") has determined and hereby declares that the public interest, health and welfare necessitates acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping a sewer project within the County, including, but not limited to facilities pertaining to the Sewer System for the collection, interception, transportation, treatment, purification and disposal of sewage, liquid wastes, solid wastes, night soil and industrial wastes, including a drainage and flood control project as provided in NRS 244A.0505 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS §§ 244A.011 through 244A.065, inclusive, and pursuant to chapter 350 of NRS and all laws amendatory thereof which includes the Local Government Securities Laws, being §§ 350.500 through 350.720, NRS, and all laws amendatory thereof, the County is authorized to borrow money and to issue general obligation bonds of the County for the purpose of defraying wholly or in part the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board proposes to issue up to \$9,500,000 of general obligation bonds of the County (the "Bonds") for the Project; and

WHEREAS, such Bonds will be additionally secured by a pledge of net revenues of the Utility System of which the Project is a part (the "Pledged Revenues"); and

WHEREAS, based on the following revenue study prepared with the assistance of the County's staff, the Board has determined and does hereby determine that the "Pledged Revenues" will at least equal the amount required in each year for the payment of interest and principal on the Bonds.

WHEREAS, the Board proposes to incur this general obligation without an election unless a petition signed by the requisite number of registered voters of the County who together with any corporate petitioners represent the requisite assessed value of the taxable property of the County is presented to the Board requiring the Board to submit to the qualified electors of the County for their approval or disapproval the following proposal:

GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BOND ADDITIONALLY SECURED BY PLEDGED REVENUES PROPOSAL:

**Shall the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County in the State of Nevada, be authorized to incur a general obligation indebtedness on behalf of the County by the issuance at one time, or from time to time, of the County's general obligation (limited tax) sewer bonds, in one series or more, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$9,500,000 for the purpose of financing, wholly or in part, the acquisition, construction, improvement and equipment of sewer projects, including, but not limited to, facilities pertaining to a County sanitary sewerage system for the collection, interception, transportation, treatment, purification and disposal of sewage, liquid wastes, solid wastes, night soil and industrial wastes, including a drainage and flood control project as provided in NRS 244A.0505, the bonds to mature commencing not later than five (5) years from the date or respective dates of the bonds and ending not later than thirty (30) years therefrom, to bear interest at a rate or rates not in excess of the statutory maximum rate in effect at the time bonds are sold, to be payable from general (ad valorem) taxes (except to the extent pledged revenues and other moneys are available therefor), and to be issued and sold at par, or below or above par, and otherwise in such manner, upon such terms and conditions, and with such other detail as the Board may determine, including at its option but not necessarily limited to provisions for the redemption of bonds prior to maturity without or with the payment of a premium?
(the "Proposal"); and**

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS §§ 350.011 to 350.0165, inclusive, the Board has submitted the Proposal to the Debt Management Commission of Washoe County (the "Commission"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has heretofore approved the Proposal; and

WHEREAS, subsection 3 of NRS § 350.020 in effect provides that if the payment of a general obligation of the County is additionally secured by a pledge of the net revenues of a project to be financed by its issue, and the governing body (i.e., the Board) determines that the pledged revenues will at least equal the amount required in each year for the payment of interest and principal, the County may incur the general obligation without an election, unless a petition requesting an election signed by 5% of the registered voters in the County is presented to the Board within 90 days after the publication of a notice of the adoption of this resolution of intent; and

WHEREAS, Subsection 3 of NRS § 350.020 also requires that a public hearing be held before the Bonds are issued.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE, NEVADA:

Section 1. This resolution shall be known as and may be cited by the short title "Resolution of Intent to Issue 2004 Sewer Bonds" (this "Resolution").

Section 2. All action heretofore taken (not inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution) by the Board and the officers of the Board directed:

- (a) Toward the Project to be financed by the Bonds; and
- (b) Toward the issuance of the Bonds to defray, in part, the cost thereof, be, and the same hereby is, ratified, approved and confirmed.

Section 3. The County and the officers of the County be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to publish a notice of the adoption of the resolution of intent relating to the Board's proposal to issue the Bonds in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, at least once, such notice to be published in substantially the form provided and placed on file with the Clerk.

Section 4. The County Clerk is authorized and directed to publish once, at least 10 days before the date of the public hearing described in the following notice, in a newspaper of general circulation in the County a notice of public hearing, at least as large as 5 inches high by 4 inches wide, in substantially the form provided and placed on file with the Clerk.

Section 5. A public hearing on the Bonds is hereby ordered to be held before the Board at the time, date and place specified in the notice set forth in Section 4 hereof, or as otherwise specified by the Director of Finance of the County.

Section 6. The Bonds, in the event no petition is filed during the period allowed by NRS § 350.020(3), shall be authorized by an ordinance or ordinances to be effective after the expiration of the above specified period of publication.

Section 7. The authority to issue the Bonds designated in the Proposal set forth in the notice shall be deemed and considered a continuing authority to issue and deliver the Bonds designated in such Proposal at one time or from time to time, in one series or in more than one series, all as ordered by the Board. Neither the partial exercise of the authority so conferred nor the lapse of time shall be considered as exhausting or limiting the full authority so conferred.

Section 8. The officers of the Board be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to take all action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this resolution.

Section 9. All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be constructed to revive any resolution, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

Section 10. If any section, paragraph, clause or other provision of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or other provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

Section 11. This resolution shall become effective and be in force immediately upon its adoption.

**04-177 CHARTING OUR COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – DRAFT
PRELIMINARY REPORT - FINANCE**

John Moore, Charting Our Course (COC) Committee Chairman, reviewed the specific deliverables, as outlined in the COC Preliminary Report dated February 24, 2004.

Richard Gammick, District Attorney and Sub-committee Chairman on Priorities, reviewed the draft findings as detailed in the COC Preliminary Report dated February 24, 2004. He requested feedback from the Board and said this is a work in progress.

Commissioner Humke asked for program examples of legally mandated service levels, and Mr. Gammick said the courts set mandates for certain things and timeframes cannot arbitrarily be changed. He explained the COC stays away from items the County Commission has authority to set and addresses issues demanded by outside entities, such as government, laws and the courts. He said the committee is looking to determine what the County is mandated to do.

Commissioner Humke said there should be areas where the County mandates a service level, other than those occurring in the criminal justice system. Mr. Gammick suggested that could be brought back to the Board for further direction and added that nothing has been finalized.

In response to Chairman Shaw, Mr. Gammick stated the information in the draft program evaluation criteria is raw and the committee's next task is to apply actual programs to the matrix and see how it works.

Commissioner Sferrazza thanked Mr. Gammick for his efforts and asked how program categorization would be accomplished. Mr. Gammick explained after the sub-committee finishes, it goes to full committee where it is discussed again, and ultimately, the Board will be given a recommended matrix to adopt. Mr. Gammick requested Board input as e-mail suggestions, changes or corrections so it can be discussed and finalized.

In response Commissioner Sferrazza, Mr. Gammick noted these programs are weighted, and there is no sliding scale point system. He gave several working examples and noted the COC aims for simplicity, so staff can work through the programs, add them up and see how programs rank with each other.

Commissioner Galloway stated the additive approach is appropriate because of flexibility to adjust the level of service. He did have a problem with giving extra points for something the County is forced to do, but added it could be cleaned up and generally is an effective method.

John Sherman, Finance Director, explained the preliminary report is not an exhaustive list, and subsequent to the draft report there were additional ideas, which may result in additional future recommendations. He reviewed six general preliminary recommendations outlined in the COC Preliminary Report dated February 24, 2004, and said the COC is looking for revenue enhancements from collection efforts.

In response to Chairman Shaw, Mr. Moore stated the spending priority guidelines are under consideration, and the priorities could be based on program prioritization processes. He said if revenue comes in higher at the fiscal year start, it should be done at the front end and not when those excess revenues come in; and the program prioritization and budget processes could handle that.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he preferred a process to follow rather than getting a specific list of priorities, and Mr. Moore confirmed the intent was to have the process in place. Commissioner Sferrazza mentioned the lack of business license auditing capabilities, and Mr. Moore responded that Carol Villardo, COC member, is on two groups currently working on that issue and is considering an auditing function for compliance.

Gene Brockman, Sub-committee Chairman on Operating Efficiencies, Consolidations and Outsourcing, described draft findings detailed in the COC Preliminary Report dated February 24, 2004. Mr. Brockman noted the importance of implementing initiatives during the current budgeting season and suggested the committee's work is solving the critical public sector problem of how to fit the expenses into the available revenue.

Commissioner Galloway said departments cannot rate themselves on efficiency and asked if criteria is in place. Mr. Brockman said if goals are quantifiable and measurable, it would be easy to determine if efficiencies are being met. Commissioner Galloway suggested criteria be set, and Mr. Brockman said telling them it needs to be done is sufficient.

Commissioner Humke suggested a service corps of retired executives to carry out some of these functions, and Mr. Brockman said the committee would consider the idea.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked if Mr. Brockman was involved in the preparation of the 1993 Enhancing Organizational Effectiveness document. Mr. Brockman said he was not and noted it was given to the committee as resource material.

Chairman Shaw thanked the speakers and the ex-officio officers for their participation. Commissioner Weber thanked the committee members for their time and effort. Commissioner Sferrazza said the COC should proceed with what the committee is doing, and he would look forward to the next report.

Commissioner Humke said the general direction, as outlined, is excellent. He suggested the Board study this more and send e-mails to sub-committee chairs on some specific items, after circulating the e-mails among Board members. He asked for special recognition of those who are actively working on the committee, and County Manager Katy Singlaub announced the members as listed in the agenda memorandum dated February 12, 2004. Commissioner Galloway commented that these are very hard working people and said Mr. Moore is to be commended for his leadership.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked that the COC Advisory Committee be discussed at the upcoming retreat, particularly concerning what programs would be considered as part of this and what government should provide in terms of services.

Ms. Singlaub noted the last page of the COC's report suggested the existing citizen-based Organizational Effectiveness Committee, to which Commissioners appoint representatives, might be revised to include the responsibilities from the final COC report and perhaps the member structure could be revised.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS – MASTER FEE SCHEDULE
FOR BUSINESS LICENSE FEES**

5:30 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on February 13, 2004 to consider recommendations and adoption of a resolution adopting a revised Master Fee Schedule for business license fees under Chapter 25 (Business License Ordinance) of the Washoe County Code.

County Manager Katy Singlaub said a tremendous community task force has been working with staff to bring forward the business license fee schedule.

Bob Webb, Community Development Planning Manager, reviewed the agenda memorandum dated February 12, 2004 giving background on the Master Business License Fee Schedule and an amnesty period for currently unlicensed businesses.

Adrian Freund, Community Development Director, said the committee has come up with an excellent set of recommendations. He acknowledged and thanked the committee members, as listed in the agenda memorandum. Mr. Freund explained that Len Stevens of the Sparks Chamber of Commerce does understand the recommendations, and he has offered his assistance in the future.

In response to Commissioner Weber, Mr. Webb said there are ways to educate the public on the amnesty program.

Commissioner Humke noted a regulatory function is served by having business licenses, even for only one dollar. He said it allows knowledge of situations the County would not otherwise know about and allows some jurisdiction. He stated he would like to have something to show the competitive difference by holding a license in Washoe County versus Reno or Sparks.

In response to Chairman Shaw, Mr. Webb said they do not anticipate needing additional staff for the unlicensed businesses project other than for setting up and monitoring the contract. He explained one of the recommendations for the concentrated compliance effort was to seek out a separate contract with a specializing outside source, similar to the one working with the City of Reno.

Chairman Shaw opened the public hearing by calling on those wishing to speak for or against the business license fees.

Peter Krueger, Nevada Petroleum Marketers, said he was in support of the proposal, unlike in the past. He stated public notice is absolutely critical, and avenues through the press and other free media are crucial because of their past work for the Department of Taxation's amnesty programs. He acknowledged he is very pleased to support the proposal on behalf of his members and as a citizen of Washoe County.

Paul Enos, Retail Association of Nevada, spoke in support of the resolution addressing the increases in the Master Business License Fee Schedule and the amnesty period for unlicensed businesses. He thanked Washoe County staff for their time, and he said he looks forward to a resolution that serves the business community and Washoe County.

Robbin Palmer, Northern Nevada Genetic Counseling, stated her services are underutilized in the community. She said a \$5.00 increase in the license is approaching two percent of her net business income. She requested there be a waiver for low-income businesses.

In response to Chairman Shaw, Mr. Freund explained the County was losing significant revenues by reducing the smallest businesses category fees. He said they cannot waive business license fees but their hope is to promote a much lower fee for these small businesses, as compared to the Cities, to make Washoe County a more attractive place for that type of business.

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

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Business Impact Statement be approved, that the following resolution increasing annual business license fees under Chapter 25 be adopted, that the following resolution establishing a three-month amnesty program be adopted, and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute both resolutions:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION – Adopting a revised Master Fee Schedule for business license fees under Chapter 25 (Business License Ordinance) of the Washoe County Code.

WHEREAS, Section 25.025(5) of the Washoe County Code provides that fees for operating a business, except for new business in the first year of operation, in the unincorporated portions of Washoe County shall be established in a master business license fee schedule adopted by resolution by the Washoe County Commission;

WHEREAS, the last master business license fee schedule adopted by resolution by the Washoe County Commission was on June 24, 2003 with an effective date of July 4, 2003;

WHEREAS, the master business license fee adopted on June 24, 2003 was constrained by the license fee limitations as set forth in NRS 354.5989, and, further, that the Washoe County Department of Community Development has been meeting with the local business community to determine appropriate business license annual renewal fee increases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY does hereby adopt the revised Master Business License Fee Schedule for business license fees as established in Section 25.025 of the Washoe County Code, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" [Fee Schedule is on file with the County Clerk]; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Master Business License Fee Schedule, for business license fees established in Section 25.025 of the Washoe County Code, shall be effective on April 2, 2004.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION – Adopting a three-month amnesty program for business license fee penalties under Chapter 25 (Business License Ordinance) of the Washoe County Code.

WHEREAS, Section 25.025(1) of the Washoe County Code provides for business license fee penalties when a business license applicant commences business without being issued a business license or when a business license applicant continues to conduct a business without timely renewal of the business license;

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Commission adopted increases to annual business license renewal fees on February 24, 2004;

WHEREAS, the Washoe County Commission, based upon a recommendation from the Washoe County Ad-hoc Business License Task Force, desires to provide unlicensed businesses doing business in unincorporated Washoe County an opportunity to license their business without fee penalties and prior to fee increases taking effect on April 2, 2004;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY does hereby adopt a three-month amnesty program commencing on February 24, 2004 wherein business license fee penalties pursuant to Washoe County Code Section 25.025(1) will be waived for unlicensed businesses, doing business within unincorporated Washoe County, voluntarily applying for a new business license or for renewing a business license more than ninety days after the license's expiration; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the business license fee penalty amnesty program shall end on May 31, 2004.

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In regard to direction to staff, Commissioner Weber said her position on parity with the Cities of Reno and Sparks would be to try this out for a year and see how the program works, and then possibly discuss parity.

Chairman Shaw added the task force asked the Board not to pursue parity at this time. Commissioner Humke agreed and said he was not interested in parity. He stated it raises a lot of money, but it is not a substantial percentage of the total general fund for Washoe County. He said it is more important to keep faith with the business community.

Commissioner Galloway said staff exceeded Board direction and proposed drastic, one-time major steps towards parity, which was not the original intent of the Commission. He suggested any Board action be gradual and said he had no problem waiting to see how this works.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered not to give direction to pursue parity at this time, but to evaluate the results of the ordinance change in one year's time.

Mr. Webb said staff was also seeking direction as to whether to begin efforts to bring unlicensed businesses into conformance by working with the Assessor's Office or to pursue contracting an outside firm to do an aggressive program, and whether they should bring back an extended amnesty program to cover that time period if there is an aggressive approach.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked what approach the City of Reno takes to discover unlicensed businesses. Mr. Freund explained the City of Reno uses a firm named Muni Services and staff has had preliminary discussions with the firm. Muni Services has a fee, which is a percentage of the additional licenses that are discovered. He suggested getting proposals from several firms and said the conclusions reached would establish a new benchmark percentage of County-licensed businesses, which could then be reviewed periodically.

Chairman Shaw asked how long the process could take, and Mr. Freund said six to eight months. He described how the process works, and he added the proposal could include an amnesty component.

Commissioner Sferrazza made a motion to adopt the suggestions and recommendations regarding the auditing process for unlicensed businesses.

Commissioner Weber suggested waiting to see how the amnesty program develops. Commissioner Galloway recommended letting staff go ahead with discussions; and, after the results of the amnesty program are in, the Board could hear further recommendations from staff as to the direction to pursue.

In response to Chairman Shaw, Mr. Freund said staff would create an appropriate atmosphere for the amnesty program, and staff would develop notification and informational materials for businesses. He stated staff would also continue to explore options for the auditing function and would bring any proposals or contract options back to the Board.

Commissioner Galloway said he could support a motion to pursue the discussion, but not to do any engagement of such a party during the original three-month amnesty period.

Commissioner Sferrazza explained his earlier motion was to follow the recommendation of staff, but he did not see why staff would not want to go after people who were not paying the fees, because it is unfair to those who do pay the fees.

Mr. Freund noted staff would take the Board's direction to go ahead with the amnesty program, but said the committee felt this was an inequity issue in the business community, and that it ties closely with one of the Charting Our Course recommendations regarding the revenue sub-committee.

Commissioner Humke directed attention to the staff report and noted the language is very unequivocal regarding all businesses within the unincorporated County holding a valid business license, and it should be verified that all business owners are reporting correct annual gross receipts and paying the appropriate business license fee.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, related the history of Hewlett-Packard, which began in 1951, and suggested that if an enforcement officer had requested \$55 for them to continue playing with radio tubes and switches in their garage, they may have decided to go surfing that summer instead.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the suggestions and recommendations regarding the auditing process for unlicensed businesses as discussed be approved.

Mr. Freund asked for direction on stiffer penalties and noted Washoe County has a fairly reasonable penalty, based on analyses of penalties in Nevada. He added that if businesses do not renew when required, the County is allowed to go up to 100 percent of the business license fee for the penalty. He said the committee recommended, as part of an overall program, to consider increasing the penalties in the future.

Chairman Shaw inquired if the Cities of Reno and Sparks followed the same policy as the County, and Mr. Webb referred to the graph in the staff report that outlined business license fee penalties in several other Nevada jurisdictions. He confirmed that a grace period does exist.

Commissioner Humke said the fees are severe enough, and Chairman Shaw agreed. In response to Commissioner Sferrazza, Mr. Webb explained the committee recommendation was 200-300 percent of the fee for unlicensed businesses, plus renewal penalties and a change in the timeframe for cancellation.

Commissioner Sferrazza said he supported the committee's recommendation. Chairman Shaw added that allowing a grace period is fair with staggered penalties, depending on the amount of time that there is a failure to pay.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following recommendations for stiffer penalties be approved:

Business without license penalty	200% of license fee (\$75)
Renewal penalties	0-15 days after expiration date – no penalty 16-30 days after expiration date – 25% of renewal fee 31-45 days after expiration date – 50% of renewal fee 46-60 days after expiration date – 75% of renewal fee after 61 days – license cancelled
Operating a business without renewing license (see note)	Original renewal fee or new license fee (\$75) whichever is greater, plus 75% penalty of fee
Note: penalty would be assessed within 5 years of last renewing of a business license.	

Commissioner Weber asked if the question of a waiver of a business license was discussed in committee, and Mr. Webb said it had not been. Mr. Webb confirmed he would take it to the committee for future discussion, and he would bring the penalty fees back through the task force before it comes before the Board again.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he has a problem charging a license fee for someone who is only making \$250 a year. Commissioner Humke suggested a possible \$5,000 income floor for licenses, and Commissioner Weber suggested \$1,000.

Mr. Freund said he would prefer the Board has the needed information about revenue impacts, and Chairman Shaw agreed. Mr. Freund stated they are trying to stay consistent with the fee categories that the Cities use.

7:00 p.m. The Board recessed.

7:20 p.m. The Board reconvened with Commissioner Sferrazza absent.

7:30 p.m. Commissioner Sferrazza returned during the following item.

04-179 2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION LOBBYING EXPENSES – TRUCKEE MEADOWS REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

County Manager Katy Singlaub gave background on the regional lobbyist payment question, as outlined in the agenda memorandum dated August 23, 2002.

Chairman Shaw acknowledged Commissioner Weber as the Chair of the Regional Planning Governing Board (RPGB), and he and Commissioner Galloway as members, representing their respective areas. He explained at the last RPGB meeting, Reno and Sparks inquired as to when Washoe County would be paying their portion of the lobbyist fee for 2003.

Madelyn Shipman, Assistant District Attorney, said the Board has considered this item twice and there is no District Attorney's recommendation. She stated the matter was considered by this Board prior to Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (TMRPA) hiring a lobbyist, so they were aware of this Board's position, and also prior to augmenting their budget in the fall of 2002. She acknowledged the matter was brought back to this Board again when the bill for payment arrived in the spring of 2003.

Commissioner Galloway reviewed background issues and reminded the Board they voted not to have a lobbyist two years ago because it was not a necessary function, and action was taken anyway by TMRPA. He said credibility would not be lost by declining to pay the bill now, and he declined to support TMRPA hiring a lobbyist in the future. He addressed the possibility of having the courts decide the issue.

Chairman Shaw explained that neither he nor Commissioner Weber were on the Board at the time of this vote and reported RPGB's contention that action was taken by RPGB as a whole and RPGB suggested Washoe County should respect the majority rule. He said RPGB brought up the issue of good faith and their understanding of it being a three-way split, and RPGB suggested if Washoe County does not pay, it shows the County is not working with the other entities to resolve these difficulties.

Commissioner Weber said if Washoe County stated they had no interest at that time in paying for a lobbyist, she supported going to RPGB and reporting that. She agreed with Commissioner Galloway that there is no need for a lobbyist, and noted the Executive Director attends the legislature and is well qualified and capable of doing that job.

Commissioner Sferrazza gave background on his involvement with RPGB since its inception, and he reported they did not have a lobbyist in the past. He noted an informal rule that a lobbyist should not present anything to the legislature that is not agreed on by all bodies, and he added when cities and counties are fighting against each other, nothing could be accomplished. Commissioner Sferrazza said he did not support hiring a lobbyist before, for financial reasons and because RPGB is not totally representative of all the entities. He said one spokesperson could not represent all three entities, and on those rare occasions when they all support a change, it could be handled by the lobbyists for each governmental body presenting it to the legislature, or by the Executive Director.

Commissioner Humke said there is not enough work for a lobbyist for TMRPA, and he noted a lot of entities waste money on lobbyists. He confirmed anything needing to be done could be accomplished by the Executive Director.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the request for past or future employment of a lobbyist by TMRPA be denied, and that payment for the position in the past or in the future be denied. It was noted the Board does not agree that Washoe County is obligated to pay for the function under the law or the interlocal agreements that are applicable.

On motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that this item be reconsidered for further discussion.

Commissioner Weber said the Board should send a letter or direction to TMRPA concerning the discussion of this item.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that staff be directed to convey to TMRPA, through the Executive Director, the text of the adopted motion and a synopsis of the Board's discussion.

04-180 REPORT – UNFUNDED MANDATES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, gave background information on the processes relating to initiative petitions, as outlined in the agenda memorandum dated February 23, 2004.

Commissioner Sferrazza asked staff to prepare a proposed initiative for a constitutional amendment to prohibit the State from requiring the counties to take over programs without providing necessary funding that he could present at the NACO (Nevada Association of Counties) Board meeting on March 26, 2004. Madelyn Shipman, Assistant District Attorney, suggested her office work with Commissioner Sferrazza to come up with language for a petition.

Commissioner Galloway requested staff cooperate with that process in helping NACO initiate a possible initiative petition. Commissioner Sferrazza said he was delegated to come up with language to be voted on by the NACO Board. He said it would go out to all the counties again and then come back to this Board.

Commissioner Galloway asked for clarification as to retroactivity, because the State has already imposed quite a few unfunded mandates. Ms. Shipman confirmed that it would be prospective only.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that staff assist in developing an initiative petition to propose a constitutional amendment to prohibit unfunded mandates for local governments by the State legislature.

04-181 DISCUSSION - TIME FOR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS

Following discussion regarding logistics and planning, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the three regularly scheduled County Commission meetings be held at 2:00 p.m. beginning March of 2004. It was noted this would be for a trial period to see how the middle meeting functions with the shortened timeframe.

04-182 REPORTS/UPDATES FROM COUNTY COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he serves on the Conservation Leaders Network, as an offshoot of Nevada Association of Counties. He noted a mail-out of a Washoe County Senior Center brochure and asked why the mailing, done by Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA), only went to the unincorporated County. Katy Singlaub, County Manager, said that is not the County's practice and she would follow up on it. She said the Senior Center is a regional service, and they are very proud to serve all the people of Washoe County.

Chairman Shaw explained that Commissioner Galloway would be taking Commissioner Sferrazza's place this Friday at the TMWA Board meeting. He said he would be attending the American Public Transit Association Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. March 7-11, 2004, and Commissioner Weber would be chairing the Caucus meeting on March 8, 2004 and the Board meeting on March 9, 2004.

Commissioner Weber said she is excited about serving on the V&T Board, especially after former Commissioner Short took her to the V&T office in Carson City and gave her an update.

Commissioner Humke reported on last Friday's Regional Transportation Commission meeting. He announced bus service would resume to Parr Boulevard, which includes the Jan Evans Juvenile Justice Center, where Juvenile Court will begin hearings as of May 17, 2004. He said there was a suggestion at the meeting to delete Route 55, which serves the South Meadows area, as a way of making the Parr Boulevard route permanent. He urged citizens interested in Route 55 to be mindful of that possibility.

Chairman Shaw announced an invitation from Judge Doherty to visit the new Jan Evans Juvenile Justice Center. He reminded the Board of the previous invitation by Jim Barth to visit the golf courses next week.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

JAMES M. SHAW, Chairman
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

AMY HARVEY, County Clerk
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