

NORTH VALLEYS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board held May 14, 2012, at the Cold Springs Community Park 3355 White Lake Parkway, Cold Springs, Nevada.

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by, Sarah Chvilicek, Chair. Sarah Chvilicek led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** –Sarah Chvilicek, Chair. North Valleys, Francine Donshick, Vice Chair, District 3, Art Hernandez, North Valleys, Frank Schenk, Cold Springs, Linda Walls, North Valleys and John White, North Valleys.
MEMBERS ABSENT - Eric Arentz, Secretary, Cold Springs, excused and Earl Walling, North Valleys, unexcused.
- 3.* **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Any person is invited to speak on any item on or off the agenda during this period. Action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on a future agenda as an action item. Comment under this item will be limited to three minutes per person.
 - Francine Donshick invited everyone to attend the Reno Rodeo which starts on June 14, 2012. Ms. Donshick stated that proceeds stay in the community. Additional information is available on the Reno Rodeo web-site.
 - Edwin Jordan asked if there could be a bike trail from Cold Springs through Red Rock and into Sun Valley. A Bike trail would help unify the north valleys communities.
 - Sarah Chvilicek asked for further public comment and hearing none closed this agenda item.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 14, 2012.** – Francine Donshick moved to approve the May 14, 2012 agenda as posted. John White seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2012.** – Francine Donshick moved to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2012 regular meeting as amended. Frank Schenk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Art Hernandez was an excused absence.
- 6.* **REPORTS AND UPDATES** – The following reports and updates will be limited to five minutes each. (These items are informational only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)
 - A.* **Updates/Announcements/Correspondence**
 - Sarah Chvilicek provided copies of a report from the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District. The primary election is on June 12, 2012. Early voting starts on May 22, 2012. The staff report for the Volunteer Fire Departments was available for review and information on a STMGID public hearing held on May 3, 2012 was available.
 - B.* **Washoe County Sheriff's Office Items** – A representative from the Washoe County Sheriff's Office was not present to report on public safety issues within the CAB area, including recent calls for service.
 - C.* **Stead Airport Update** - Mike Dikun (775.328.6570), Stead Airport Manager was not available to report on activities and projects at the Stead Airport including the Reno-Stead Airport Master Plan Update.
 - D.* **Fire Department Report** – John Howe, Silver Lake Volunteer Fire Department was not in attendance to provide a report on calls for service during the past two months.
 - E.* **Sierra Nevada Job Corps Update** – Helyse Sina, Business & Community Liaison, Sierra Nevada Job Corps was available to present a report on activities at the Sierra Nevada Job Corp. Ms. Sina reported that the Sierra Nevada Job Corps has been ranked number twelve out of one hundred and twenty Job Corps in the country. The government contractor for the center won the contract again for management and training for another five years. The students won nineteen medals from the Skills USA competition for the State of Nevada and the gold medal winners will compete in the national competition in June. Students will be on break from June 28th thru July 10th.
 - F.* **Washoe County Update**

Commissioner Bonnie Weber was present to provide an update on County issues. Commissioner Weber announced that this is bike to work week and also announced that she has been appointed to serve on the Regional Transportation Commission and stated that she supports transportation enhancements in the North Valleys. Commissioner Weber addressed the current deconsolidation of fire services issues. Commissioner Weber stated that currently it is better to have all stations open rather than having some stations browned out. Commissioner Weber stated that dispatch and automatic aide agreements are issues to be addressed. Commissioner Weber stated concern that the City of Reno will not give mutual aide. Commissioner Weber stated her support for Volunteer Fire Fighters. Commissioner Weber stated that the water feature will be the first project for the North Valleys Regional Park. Commissioner Weber will be working to get signage on US 395 about the North Valleys Regional Park.

Comments and Concerns

- Concerns were raised that the eleventh hour grant to the City of Reno Fire Department seemed to have some very 'shady' behind the scenes actions.
- Linda Walls stated her appreciation for the volunteers for the Great Truckee Meadows Beautiful clean-up

Sarah Tone, County Liaison, is available to answer your questions and concerns. Please contact her at stone@washoecounty.us or 775.328.2721. To sign up to receive email updates from the County, visit www.washoecounty.us/cmail. The written County updates are available online at www.washoecounty.us/cab (follow the link to your CAB).

7. NEW BUSINESS – (The staff contact listed on items for Community Development may not be in attendance but can be contacted with code and policy questions.)

A.* North Valleys Regional Park - Phase IV Improvements – Al Rogers, Acting Director, Washoe County Parks and Recreation presented a report on the status of the North Valleys Regional Park Phase IV improvements update. Following his presentation, Mr. Rogers addressed comments from the audience and CAB. Mr. Rogers reported that Stantec has been named as the design consultant for the water play park and the scoping phase will be held the last week of May or the first week in July. More public hearings will be scheduled during the design phase. Public comments will be welcomed. The location and concept information will be brought back to the NVCAB in July. (This item was informational only and no action was taken by the CAB.)

Comments and Concerns

- Sarah Chvilicek stated that the water play park was the first priority that citizens requested.
- Mr. Rogers stated that there will be no standing water and the water will be recycled. There will be various jets and lighting. The water park will be seasonal, an outdoor facility.
- In response to questions raised, Mr. Rogers stated that it would not be difficult to create an RC (Radio Controlled) Park at the North Valleys Regional Park.
- Mr. Rogers stated that the flat fields are not configured for any specific use, however, they have been used for football and soccer.
- Questions were raised whether an ice skating rink has been planned at the park.

B. Amendment of Zoning Designation – Lifestyle Homes TND LLC – Steve Morton, Summit Engineering presented the Request by Lifestyle Homes TND LLC to amend the City of Reno zoning designation of APN 566-010-12 from Large Lot Residential 1-acre lots (LLR-1) to Neighborhood Commercial (NC). The existing LLR-1 zoning designation of the property is currently not in conformance with the sites Urban Residential/Commercial Master Plan designation. The requested application will amend the sites LLR-1 zoning designation to Neighborhood Commercial (NC) which will bring the zoning of APN 566-010-12 into conformance with the existing Urban Residential/Commercial Master Plan designation. The property is annexed to the City of Reno and subject to the City of Reno development standards. The property is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of White Lake Parkway and Village Parkway, and at the northeast corner of the intersection of Village Parkway and Diamond Peak Drive. Contact Steven Morton, Planning Manager, Summit Engineering Corporation at 775-747-8550 Comments and Concerns will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners and the City of Reno.

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Mr. Morton stated that they are considering a Dollar Store. Any buildings would be subject to a Special Use Permit. Development would be what is an allow use within Neighborhood Commercial zoning.
- Mr. Morton stated that the property is within a flood zone and would have to comply with FEMA standards and Mr. Morton added that there would be landscape buffers.
- In response to concerns raised regarding negative traffic impacts, Mr. Morton stated that a traffic analysis would be completed with any mitigation's to be a condition of approval.
- Questions were raised regarding the disposition of the Fire Station.
- Sarah Chvilicek stated that the application would go through the City of Reno planning process and citizens would have opportunities for input into this and any other future applications.

C. Special Use Permit Amendment of LDC00-00518 Smith's #344 Fuel Center - Kirk Randall, Senior Project Manager, Great Basin Engineering - South presented the application for a special use permit for a five island fuel center with kiosk and canopy. The City of Reno application is requesting to amend the condition of approval for the Special Use Permit to allow 24 hour operation of the fuel center with a fuel purchase card. The applicant is requesting comments from the NVCAB and the community. The location is at the SW corner of Sky Vista Parkway and Lemmon Drive. Mr. Randall stated that the signage on Sky Vista Parkway was installed prematurely since the City of Reno had approved the permit to install the signage. Mr. Randall stated that the new sign would be installed where a sign currently is placed. Mr. Randall stated that the signage will be twelve feet high which is allowed in the zoning. Mr. Randall provided drawings showing the updated signage. Comments will be forwarded the Reno City Council and Washoe County Board of County Commissioners.

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Mr. Randall stated that the initial request for hours of operation was to get the project built. They are now asking for approval for the twenty four hour operation.
- Sarah Chvilicek stated that there are other businesses adjacent to Smith's are twenty four hour operations.
- In response to concerns raised about negative impacts from lighting, Mr. Randall stated that the signage lighting is LED (Light Emitting Diode) with no light spillage beyond the property.
- Ms. Chvilicek stated that new lighting requirements call for shielded down lighting.
- There were no comments in opposition to the amendment.

D.* Fire Services Update – Sarah Chvilicek reported on the status of fire fighting services. Ms. Chvilicek reported that Fire Chief Charles Moore has taken on the deconsolidation process. Ms. Chvilicek stated concern that some fire fighters have tried to use scare tactics and urged citizens to track the issues on-line. Ms. Chvilicek stated that the City of Sparks has been successful using three man stations. (This item was informational only and no action was taken by the CAB.)

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Ms. Chvilicek stated that citizens have already been paying for fire services.
- Ms. Chvilicek stated that there are negotiations taking place regarding mutual aide, but an agreement has not been reached.
- Barry Bouchard stated that information can be access on www.NevadaTrends.com
- Questions were raised regarding hiring dispatchers. Commissioner Weber stated that they will be employees of the Sheriff's Department.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A.* Sky Vista/Wal-Mart Project Update – Sarah Chvilicek reported that Wal-Mart is open, there have not been any issues and there apparently is a concern about water availability. At this time, there has not been any ground breaking for new projects at the shopping center site. (This item was informational only and no action was taken by the CAB.)

9.* CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS – This item is limited to announcements by CAB members of topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas. The CAB will not discuss matters raised during this item.

- The July NVCAB meeting will be held in the North Valleys Regional Park.
- **Next Agenda Items:** Agenda items need to be submitted by June 22, 2012.

10.*PUBLIC COMMENT

- Commissioner Weber stated that there is a senior event at the Cold Springs Community Park from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. each Saturday.
- Sarah Chvilicek asked for further public comment and hearing none, closed this agenda item.

11. ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, Sarah Chvilicek adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary