

CARSON CITY STORM DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Storm Drainage Advisory Committee was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 11, 2001 in the City Hall Capitol Conference Room, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Russell Plume
Vice Chairperson Howard Anderson
Bob Fredlund
Tony Marangi
Delacy Perry
Rob Saunders

STAFF: Andrew Burnham, Development Services Manager
John Givlin, Senior Project Manager
Randy Bowling, Consultant
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary
(SDAC 06/11/01)

NOTE: Unless indicated otherwise, each item was introduced by Chairperson Plume. A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's Office and is available for review and inspection during regular business hours.

A. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (1-0001) - Chairperson Plume called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present. Member Aldean was absent. Member Perry arrived at 6:10 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MAY 14, 2001 (1-0006) - Member Marangi moved to approve the minutes as written. Member Fredlund seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

C. MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (1-0017) - None.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT (1-0018) - At the request of Chairperson Plume, each of the citizens present introduced themselves, as follows: Paul Frost, of the Nevada Department of Transportation Hydrology Section; Glen Martel, on behalf of Roger Shaheen; and Ira Andersen, local resident. Chairperson Plume opened the meeting for public comment; however, none was provided. (1-0152) Doug Hone introduced himself for the record and Chairperson Plume provided information regarding the ongoing discussion of item F-1.

E. DISCLOSURES (1-0050) - Chairperson Plume advised of a couple discussions wherein he has attempted to explain the Committee's position on the recommendation for a demand-based rate structure instead of a tax.

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F. PUBLIC MEETING ITEMS:

F-1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; and F-2. DISCUSSION OF PRESENTATION AT THE JUNE 21, 2001 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT, "RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CARSON CITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM" (1-0072) - Chairperson Plume referred to the Recommendation to the Carson City Board of Supervisors for Stormwater Management Program included in the agenda materials and provided background information with regard to the same. He opened the meeting to comments from staff and the consultants. Mr. Givlin advised that staff attempted to address all the issues raised at the last meeting with regard to the recommendations, and indicated that the report should reflect the requested revisions. The Committee members commended staff and the consultants on the report.

(1-0104) Ira Andersen inquired as to the referenced master plan, and Chairperson Plume explained that a storm drainage master plan will be developed for the City. Mr. Givlin advised that the master plan has been started, and provided information on the work done by WRC in conjunction with the Nevada Department of Transportation and the freeway project. The existing plan only addresses storm water flowing through the freeway corridor and the intent is to continue developing a city-wide master plan. He acknowledged that the plan has not yet been presented to the Committee nor have specifics been determined with regard to acquisitions or construction projects.

(1-0160) Vice Chairperson Anderson reiterated his concern that the report does not make reference to existing problems. Chairperson Plume advised that the Board of Supervisors has been informed of the Committee's progress over the past couple years. He indicated that the presentation at the June 21, 2001 Board of Supervisors meeting will include information regarding the existing problems. (Member Perry arrived at 6:10 p.m.) Chairperson Plume referred to the low attendance at the public meeting on May 24th and advised that the report is primarily for the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Burnham referred to the presentation outline prepared by Mr. Bowling, who distributed copies to the Committee members, staff, and the citizens present. Mr. Bowling advised of a meeting attended by himself, Chairperson Plume, Mr. Givlin, City Engineer Larry Werner, and David Morgan of Nevada Video Productions. The purpose for the meeting was to discuss the most effective manner to present the efforts of the Committee and request action by the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Bowling reviewed the presentation outline. Member Saunders pointed out that the focus is on the program level at this point rather than the project level. He suggested this could be used as an explanation for Vice Chairperson Anderson's concerns. Vice Chairperson Anderson reiterated that the problem is never explained in the report. Mr. Bowling indicated that the history of flooding and the lack of funding for storm water management has been included in previous presentations and will be presented again at the June 21st Board of Supervisors meeting. He emphasized that the report is in response to direction received by the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Givlin commented that the report is not a stand alone document, and referred to previous documentation provided to the Board of Supervisors regarding existing problems, the neighborhood meetings, input received, and issues to be addressed. Vice Chairperson Anderson pointed out that the

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stakeholders haven't received the same information as the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Bowling reiterated that the audience for the report is the Board of Supervisors. He acknowledged that the stakeholders and members of the community should also have an understanding of the issues and suggested that this can be done through the report, meetings, presentations, and additional background information.

(1-0389) Mr. Hone discussed a recent presentation by a lobbyist to the Nevada State Legislature wherein the lobbyist utilized a very simple graphic presentation to make his point. He suggested utilizing a similar method to remind the community of the 1997 flood and discussion took place with regard to the same. Consensus was to include a single-sheet attachment to the front of the report. Vice Chairperson Anderson acknowledged that this solution would address his concerns.

Mr. Bowling continued reviewing the presentation outline, and emphasized the importance of the Committee members' attendance at the June 21st Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Burnham advised that staff would provide as much notice to the Committee members as possible regarding the timing of the agenda item. Mr. Givlin reviewed the draft Request for Board Action forms and advised that agenda signing is scheduled for June 12th. He discussed the time table for final adoption of the Stormwater Management Program and the process for the detailed rate study. Member Marangi suggested placing the displays used at the May 24th meeting outside the Sierra Room on June 21st. Mr. Givlin acknowledged that program implementation costs will be presented to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Bowling advised that a question and answer sheet will also be part of the presentation. Vice Chairperson Anderson suggested incorporating pictures from the 1997 flood into the report cover.

(1-0757) Mr. Hone suggested selling the program as an insurance policy. Mr. Martel concurred, and commented that the presentation needs to be "simple and to the point." Mr. Hone pointed out that the program will protect life and property. Mr. Givlin acknowledged that he and Mr. Bowling can develop a one-page presentation based on the input received. Mr. Hone discussed the importance of the Supervisors buying in to the program. Mr. Bowling indicated that additional photographs can be incorporated, and discussion took place regarding the video produced by David Morgan. Mr. Bowling advised that the policy boards from the open house will be displayed at the Board of Supervisors meeting as well. Discussion took place regarding the number of copies mailed to the Committee members and stakeholders, the 1997 flood rating, the presentation to the Board of Supervisors, and available photographs.

(1-1005) Mr. Andersen advised that he has questions regarding the rate structure, but acknowledged his understanding that these would be addressed at a later time. Mr. Hone commented that the report is a good policy statement but pointed out that it is for the Supervisors and not the public. In response to a question, Mr. Andersen suggested that a workshop would be the best setting for questions such as his. Discussion took place regarding anticipated public reaction to the rate structure.

(1-1075) Mr. Hone discussed the set up of the Board of Supervisors meeting room, and the problem with the audience not being able to see the displays. He pointed out the importance of the displays being picked up by the television monitors. Discussion took place regarding the point at which the video will be presented during the June 21st meeting, the positioning of the displays, and the method by which to make the presented information available to the viewing public.

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(1-1281) Mr. Givlin and Mr. Burnham responded to questions from Mr. Martel with regard to establishing an enterprise fund, a mechanism for service charge credits, and the impervious area rate methodology. Mr. Givlin clarified that the report does not make specific recommendations, but directs staff to move forward with a detailed rate study which will drive many of the issues. Staff responded to additional questions regarding a proposed amendment to the subdivision ordinance to ensure dedication of easements and interim mitigative steps. Mr. Burnham acknowledged that all properties will be incorporated into the impervious area methodology, including City and State government, non-profit organizations, etc. Mr. Martel concurred with Mr. Hone's comments regarding the need to keep public presentations simple. Mr. Burnham acknowledged that public hearings will be included in the process. Staff responded to additional questions regarding a specialized review and process fee for storm drainage, master planning, in lieu of construction fees, and the differences in annual costs between the minimum, moderate and expedited programs. Mr. Martel reiterated the importance of being prepared to justify the reasons for the program level selected.

Member Marangi moved to accept the Recommendation to the Board of Supervisors as written. Member Fredlund seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

G. INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

G-1. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (1-1603) - Mr. Givlin proposed agendaing a presentation by Nevada Department of Transportation staff and possibly WRC on the conditional letter of map revisions for the freeway. Chairperson Plume requested that staff agenda an item for a future meeting regarding goals and priorities for the next year. In addition, he requested that staff schedule an additional facilities tour.

H. ADJOURNMENT (1-1692) - Member Marangi moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. Member Perry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Minutes of the June 11, 2001 meeting of the Carson City Storm Drainage Advisory Committee are so approved this _____ day of July, 2001.

RUSSELL PLUME, Chairperson