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A regular meeting of the Carson City Board of Supervisors was scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 1, 2010 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Mayor Robert Crowell
Supervisor Robin Williamson, Ward 1
Supervisor Shelly Aldean, Ward 2
Supervisor Pete Livermore, Ward 3
Supervisor Molly Walt, Ward 4

STAFF: Larry Werner, City Manager
Alan Glover, Clerk - Recorder
Melanie Bruketta, Chief Deputy District Attorney
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

NOTE: A recording of these proceedings, the Board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the Clerk during the meeting are part of the public record. These materials are available, in the Clerk's Office, for review during regular business hours.

1 - 4. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (8:30:00) - Mayor Crowell called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present. Mayor Crowell called for Reverend Doug Stewart, of St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church. When there was no response, he advised that the invocation could be taken out of order if Reverend Stewart arrived later in the meeting. Mayor Crowell read a quote from Joel Barker into the record. Ms. King led the pledge of allegiance.

5. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 4, 2010 (8:31:29) - Supervisor Aldean moved to approve the minutes, as presented. Supervisor Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA (8:31:50) - Mayor Crowell entertained requests to modify the agenda and, when none were forthcoming, deemed it adopted.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION (8:3:) - Mayor Crowell entertained public comment; however, none was forthcoming.

8. CONSENT AGENDA (8:32:23) - Mayor Crowell entertained requests to hear items separate from the consent agenda. Supervisor Aldean requested to separately hear item 8-3(C). Mayor Crowell pulled item 8-3(A). Mayor Crowell entertained additional requests and, when none were forthcoming, a motion to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. **Supervisor Livermore moved to adopt the consent agenda, consisting of seven items: item 8-1, Assessor; item 8-2 from the Fire Department; items 8-3(B) and (D), Purchasing and Contracts; item 8-4, Human Resources, Resolution No. 2010-R-12; item 8-5, City Manager; item 8-6, Parks and Recreation, as published and presented. Supervisor Aldean seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, called for a vote on the pending motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

8-1. ASSESSOR - ACTION TO APPROVE THE REMOVAL AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE TAXES FROM PARCEL NUMBER 007-072-04, 4137 KINGS CANYON ROAD, FROM THE 2007 / 2008, 2008 / 2009, 2009 / 2010 REAL PROPERTY TAX ROLL, PURSUANT TO NRS 361.768, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,217.25

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8-2. FIRE DEPARTMENT - ACTION TO ADOPT CHANGES TO THE 9-1-1 SURCHARGE MASTER PLAN

8-3. PURCHASING AND CONTRACTS

8-3(A) ACTION TO DETERMINE THAT CONTRACT NO. 0910-176 IS A CONTRACT FOR EQUIPMENT WHICH, BY REASON OF THE TRAINING OF THE PERSONNEL OR OF AN INVENTORY OF REPLACEMENT PARTS MAINTAINED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS COMPATIBLE WITH EXISTING EQUIPMENT AND, THEREFORE, NOT SUITABLE FOR PUBLIC BIDDING, PURSUANT TO NRS 332.115, AND TO APPROVE CONTRACT NO. 0910-176, A REQUEST FOR THE PURCHASE OF HVAC CONTROLS AND MECHANICAL SERVICE FROM BUILDING CONTROL SERVICES, INC. FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED COST OF \$100,000.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE CONTRACTUAL SERVICE AND BUILDING REPAIR FUND, AS PROVIDED IN FY 2009 / 2010 (8:38:21) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and inquired as to a standard contract provision ensuring the City can offset payment to a contractor by any amount the contractor is delinquent in fees owed to the City. Ms. Bruketta advised of having been unable to find such a provision, but assured the Board that it would be added to the subject contract and all other future contracts as a standard provision.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Aldean moved to determine that Contract No. 0910-176 is a contract for equipment which, by reason of the training of the personnel or of an inventory of replacement parts maintained by the local government is compatible with existing equipment and, therefore, not suitable for public bidding, pursuant to NRS 332.115, and to approve Contract No. 0910-176, a request for the purchase of HVAC controls and mechanical service from Building Control Services, Inc. for a not-to-exceed cost of \$100,000.00 to be funded from the contractual services and building repair fund, as provided in FY 2009 / 2010, subject to the modifications requested on the record by the Mayor. Supervisor Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

8-3(B) ACTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT NO. 0910-177, A REQUEST TO HAVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DETERMINE THAT THE LISTED CITY PROPERTY IS NO LONGER REQUIRED FOR PUBLIC USE AND DEEM ITS SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION DESIRABLE AND IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF CARSON CITY

8-3(C) ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DETERMINE THAT THE 28 PIECES OF MISCELLANEOUS SURPLUS PROPERTY HAVE REACHED THE END OF THEIR USEFUL LIVES AND WILL BE DONATED TO ANOTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OR TO A REQUESTING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION CREATED FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, OR EDUCATION PURPOSES, AS SET FORTH IN NRS 372.3261, FILE NO. 0910-174 (8:41:05) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item. Supervisor Aldean disclosed her membership on the Capital City Circles Initiative Board of Directors, a charitable non-profit organization which assists the Capital City Circles Program. She explained that the non-profit organization is the successor in interest to HealthSmart, and requested that the name of the organization eligible to receive the surplus equipment be changed to reflect the Capital City Circles Initiative. Purchasing and Contracts Coordinator Sandy Scott-Fisher agreed to change the resolution accordingly.

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Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Livermore moved to adopt Resolution No. 2010-R-11, a resolution authorizing the Board of Supervisors to determine that the 28 pieces of miscellaneous surplus property have reached the end of useful life and will be donated to another government entity or to a requesting non-profit organization created for religious, charitable, or educational purposes, as set forth in NRS 372.3261, subject to the discussion of the name change. Supervisor Williamson seconded the motion.** In response to a question, Supervisor Aldean noted that the AARP Tax Aide Foundation was listed in the resolution. Mayor Crowell called again for public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a vote on the pending motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

8-3(D) ACTION TO ACCEPT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 0910-125 WITH EL CAMINO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, TITLED "NORTH - SOUTH WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN PROJECT, PHASE I," TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF WORK AND INCREASE THE CONTINGENCY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$198,776.18 FROM THE ARRA / EAST FIFTH STREET TRANSMISSION WATER MAIN, AS PROVIDED FOR IN FY 2009 / 2010

8-4. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT - ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF NEVADA, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, RECORDS AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION, RECORDS BUREAU, AND CARSON CITY, A CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, ON BEHALF OF THE CARSON CITY HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, TO USE THE CIVIL NAME CHECK PROGRAM, AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO

8-5. CITY MANAGER - ACTION TO RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S SIGNATURE ON A LETTER TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF WESTERN NEVADA ("EDAWN") SUPPORTING CARSON CITY'S INCLUSION WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF THE FOREIGN TRADE ZONE ("FTZ") NO. 26

8-6. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, OPEN SPACE DIVISION - ACTION TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER TO THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE SUPPORTING THE ROUND 11 RECOMMENDED FUNDING LIST CREATED BY THE WORK OF THE BASIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE TAHOE WORKING GROUP, AND THE LAKE TAHOE FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

9. RECESS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (8:34:09) - Mayor Crowell recessed the Board of Supervisors.

LIQUOR AND ENTERTAINMENT BOARD

10. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (8:34:10) - Chairperson Crowell called the Liquor and Entertainment Board to order at 8:34 a.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present, including Member Furlong.

11. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES (8:34:35) - None.

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12. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, BUSINESS LICENSE DIVISION - ACTION TO APPROVE ALAN ADAMS AS THE LIQUOR MANAGER FOR TOADS, LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 10-27128, LOCATED AT 306 EAST WILLIAM STREET, CARSON CITY (8:34:50) - Principal Planner Jennifer Pruitt introduced this item and advised that Mr. Adams currently holds a Carson City liquor license. She noted staff's recommendation of approval, and Mr. Adams' presence in the meeting room.

(8:35:27) Chairperson Crowell invited Mr. Adams to the podium. In response to a question, Mr. Adams provided an overview of the liquor license application. He acknowledged the intent to purchase the Toads establishment and, in response to a further question, advised that Noel Weigert will serve as the Toads manager. Chairperson Crowell entertained questions of the board members and, when none were forthcoming, requested Mr. Adams to contact him with regard to recent events at Doppelganger's.

Mr. Adams acknowledged the intent to require his employees to participate in the Sheriff's Office alcohol servers training program. He further acknowledged understanding of the seriousness associated with serving alcohol to minors. Member Williamson thanked Mr. Adams for his "continued investment in Carson City." Chairperson Crowell echoed Member Williamson's appreciation.

Chairperson Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Member Livermore moved to approve Alan Adams as the liquor manager for Toads, liquor license number 10-27128, located at 306 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada. Member Williamson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.** Chairperson Crowell wished Mr. Adams well.

13. ACTION TO ADJOURN THE LIQUOR AND ENTERTAINMENT BOARD (8:38:05) - Chairperson Crowell adjourned the Liquor and Entertainment Board at 8:38 a.m.

14. RECONVENE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (8:38:12) - Mayor Crowell reconvened the Board of Supervisors.

ORDINANCES RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS

15. ANY ITEM(S) PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE HEARD AT THIS TIME (8:38:16) - Please see the minutes for items 8-3(A) and 8-3(C).

16. DISTRICT COURT - ACTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF SOUND RECORDING EQUIPMENT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010, PURSUANT TO NRS 3.380 AND NRS 3.320, FOR RECORDING ANY CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PROCEEDING, TESTIMONY, OBJECTIONS, RULINGS, EXCEPTIONS, ARRAIGNMENTS, PLEAS, SENTENCES, STATEMENTS, AND REMARKS MADE BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OR JUDGE, ORAL INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY THE JUDGE, AND ANY OTHER PROCEEDINGS OCCURRING IN CIVIL OR CRIMINAL ACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS, OR SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS, WHENEVER AND WHEREVER AND TO THE SAME EXTENT AS ANY SUCH PROCEEDINGS HAVE HERETOFORE, UNDER EXISTING STATUTES, BEEN RECORDED BY THE OFFICIAL REPORTER OR ANY SPECIAL REPORTER OR ANY REPORTER *PRO TEMPORE* APPOINTED BY THE COURT (8:43:35) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Court Administrator Max Cortes reviewed the agenda report.

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Mayor Crowell entertained public comment. (8:44:45) Mary Cameron, of Capitol Reporters, distributed to the Board members and the Clerk copies of informational materials which she reviewed. Supervisor Aldean reviewed the purpose of the agenda item and Ms. Cameron acknowledged that her concerns could be addressed administratively. She reviewed the last paragraph of her April 1st cover letter, requesting the Board to consider “urging personnel ... to implement procedures” relative to keeping the official record of the civil and criminal court proceedings. She noted examples “of some of the problems we’ve been experiencing” as outlined in the distributed materials. She advised of having worked together with Ms. Cortes, and requested to continue doing so. She expressed an interest in having “a little more input into delivery of a better product so that we can give litigants a really good product. We’re not able to do that now. The procedures aren’t in place for those who operate the systems.” She reiterated the request for the Board “to urge the personnel to look a little further into implementing better policies and procedures.”

In response to a question, Ms. Cortes provided an overview of the Jefferson Audio Video System (“JAVS”) operation, as outlined in the agenda report. She acknowledged “some situations where we’ve needed to clean up the record; however, the judges do feel ... they should be able to utilize the system in place of their law and motion proceedings, but they would still use a certified court reporter for trials.” Ms. Cortes responded to questions of clarification. In response to a further question, she reviewed costs associated with purchasing CDs of court proceedings and having the proceedings transcribed. In response to a further question, she advised that approval of the subject item will save approximately \$40,000 annually. As outlined in the agenda report, she reiterated that certified court reporters will continue to be used for all criminal and civil jury trials.

In response to a question, Ms. Cortes explained Ms. Cameron’s concern over the JAVS audio quality. In response to a comment, Ms. Cortes advised of not having previously been provided a copy of Ms. Cameron’s distributed information. In response to a question, Ms. Cortes advised that the court has no jurisdiction over what people do with video recordings of court proceedings they have purchased. She advised that a disclaimer is attached to purchased recordings, but noted the JAVS recordings are public record. She acknowledged that the \$40,000 annual savings is part of the courts budget reduction, and that the subject item is supported by the district court judges and justices of the peace. She reiterated that the JAVS was installed two years ago with a view toward the subject item. She acknowledged an understanding of the implications of the JAVS to the court reporters, who have had a long-term relationship with the Carson City court system. She further acknowledged that closed court proceedings are not available to the public, and that corresponding safeguards have been established to prevent dissemination of confidential court documents and recordings.

(8:55:56) Ms. Cameron clarified that her issue is “receipt of the cleanest audio as we can get. We are not getting that yet.” She expressed a preference to work through the issues administratively. She responded to questions of clarification.

In response to a question, Ms. Cortes advised of having received no complaints regarding the JAVS since addressing the initial audio issues. She reiterated that four additional microphones were added, and acknowledged “this has been a sore subject for the court reporters.” She further acknowledged the importance of an accurate transcript, “especially if something is appealed.” She expressed the belief that necessary and appropriate action has been taken to ensure clear audio recordings. She offered to review Ms. Cameron’s distributed information, and advised that the audio recordings are daily reviewed by court clerks in order to prepare minutes. She reiterated no additional complaints since adding the microphones.

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Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Williamson moved to approve the use of sound recording equipment in the First Judicial District Court, effective July 1, 2010, pursuant to NRS 3.380 and NRS 3.320, for recording any civil or criminal proceedings, testimony, objections, rulings, exceptions, arraignments, pleas, sentences, statements, and remarks made by the district attorney or judge, oral instructions given by the judge, and any other proceedings occurring in civil or criminal actions or proceedings, or special proceedings, whenever and wherever and to the same extent as such proceedings have heretofore, under existing statutes, been recorded by the official reporter or any special reporter or any reporter *pro tempore* appointed by the court.** In response to a question, Supervisor Williamson agreed to include in her motion a request for court representatives to confer with court reporters to determine if there is any way to enhance the quality of the audio recordings. Supervisor Aldean seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

17. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, PLANNING AND ZONING DIVISION - ACTION TO INTRODUCE, ON FIRST READING, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CARSON CITY MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 18, ZONING, CHAPTER 18.04, USE DISTRICTS, SECTION 18.04.081, MANUFACTURED OR MOBILE HOMES AUTHORIZED, TO ALLOW MANUFACTURED OR MOBILE HOMES THAT ARE MORE THAN 15 YEARS OLD TO BE PLACED WITHIN MOBILE HOME PARKS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO (9:00:50) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Planning Division Director Lee Plemel reviewed the agenda materials. In response to a question, he reviewed state statutes pertinent to placement of mobile homes in single-family residential zoning districts. He clarified that the subject proposed ordinance is strictly applicable to mobile home parks.

In response to a question, Supervisor Aldean provided historic information on the 2005 ordinance. In response to a further question, Mr. Plemel explained that the proposed ordinance does not address “problematic” mobile home parks. He further explained that issues of building safety, fire code, and other violations are separate. Supervisor Livermore suggested that the proposed ordinance “is sort of like a version of CC&Rs,” and expressed the belief that the Fischers and the Thorpes maintain their mobile home parks to much higher standards “than what you have with some of the problem parks that we have in Carson City.” He suggested that the proposed ordinance will “kind of elevate the value to an individual that’s resided in and maintained their unit ... to where, it could be under these conditions, resold and reutilized.” He noted the potential for “a huge stock of habitable homes, especially for seniors that don’t care to go out and purchase a single-[family] home ...” He acknowledged the ordinance will “not clean up all the problems in town, but it does, through the appropriate parks, allow for these things to continue on.”

Supervisor Williamson advised of having attended an Ethics and Open Meeting Law presentation earlier in the week, and disclosed having recently met with Al Fischer and of having talked with Mary Fischer and Mr. Plemel about the proposed ordinance. Supervisor Aldean noted that the City has no authority to regulate mobile homes based on aesthetics. She acknowledged some of the problems as more fundamental relative to public health and safety; “... others are aesthetic.” She noted a number of illegal ad-ons at certain mobile home parks which can be addressed pursuant to Section 18.04.081(5). She reviewed the benefits of the proposed ordinance, directly for the conscientious mobile home park owners and indirectly for those mobile home park owners who are less conscientious about requiring sufficient maintenance.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment. (9:14:41) Mary Fischer advised that she and her husband, Al, have owned the Cottonwood Mobile Home Park (“Cottonwood”) for nearly 50 years. She clarified the mobile home park was “already established” at the time the Fischers acquired it. “We have rebuilt it since

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then and expanded it.” Ms. Fischer explained that Cottonwood was designed “both with curved and linear streets,” and for single-wide mobile homes. She provided background information on the Fischers’ early experience with mobile home parks, and discussed improvements to Cottonwood and changes to mobile home designs over the years. She described Cottonwood as a “55-plus park,” and advised that many of the tenants are “on social security or limited incomes.” She advised of a vacant space in the park which will accommodate a 12-foot wide mobile home, and discussed difficulties associated with finding an appropriate unit. She provided background information on her acquisition of a used mobile home dealer’s license. She suggested that allowing mobile home units which are in excess of 15 years old “does not need to apply to every park in town if a park does not want older units in. This is something that would apply to those that wanted to use it.” Ms. Fischer expressed the opinion that the proposed ordinance “will not hurt your stock, but it will allow the parks that are trying to do a good job to stay in business ...”

(9:22:15) Jim Thorpe advised that he and his wife own the Hillside Mobile Home Park (“Hillside”), and expressed concurrence with Ms. Fischer’s comments. He discussed a space at Hillside which has remained vacant for a period of three years.

Mayor Crowell entertained additional public comment and, when none was forthcoming, disclosed that he has represented the Manufactured Homeowners Association during past legislative sessions. He expressed the belief there is no conflict, advised he would participate in the action, and entertained a motion. **Supervisor Aldean moved to introduce, on first reading, Bill No. 103, an ordinance amending the Carson City Municipal Code, Title 18, Zoning, Chapter 18.04, Use Districts, Section 18.04.081, Manufactured or Mobile Homes Authorized, to allow manufactured homes or mobile homes that are more than 15 years old to be placed within mobile home parks under certain circumstances, and other matters properly related thereto. Supervisor Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

18. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

18(A) PRESENTATION FROM CARSON CITY LITTLE LEAGUE REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN INDOOR BATTING CAGE FACILITY TO BE LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST SECTION OF GOVERNOR’S FIELD (9:25:43) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Parks and Recreation Department Director Roger Moellendorf provided background information. Supervisor Livermore disclosed that he is president of the Carson City Youth Sports Association (“YSA”), advised that Carson City Little League is also a member of the YSA, and “we’ve been working on this project for a number of years.” He expressed the belief there was no conflict associated with his participating in discussion and action on this item.

(9:26:56) Don Smit, representing Carson City Little League, introduced Carson City Little League Vice President Jim Andrews, who provided additional background information on the subject facility. (9:27:27) Mr. Andrews expressed appreciation to City staff, particularly the Parks and Recreation Department staff, “for getting us this far.” He provided additional background information on the project. Mr. Smit advised that “the work of [City] staff ... has made this facility ... possible.” He commended Mr. Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Director of Operations Scott Fahrenbruch, Facilities Supervisor Bob Keith, Senior Deputy District Attorney Thoran Towler, Supervisor Livermore, Principal Planner Jennifer Pruitt, and Chief Building Official Kevin Gattis on “greatly simplifying our effort in trying to get this facility built.” Mr. Smit narrated a SlideShow presentation of the facility.

In response to a question, Mr. Smit reviewed construction time tables. In response to a further question, he advised that scheduling will be addressed in an operations agreement between Carson City Little League

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and the Parks and Recreation Department. Supervisor Walt commended the project, thanked Mr. Smit and Carson City Little League. Supervisor Williamson also commended the project. In response to a question, Mr. Andrews provided Carson City Little League's contact information for anyone interested in donating to the project. Supervisor Livermore advised that the facility operating costs will be borne by the Carson City YSA, and discussed the benefits of the facility to the community. He commended Carson City Little League and Mr. Smit on their efforts.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, thanked Mr. Smit and Mr. Andrews for their attendance and participation.

18(B) ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS WEEK, FROM APRIL 12 TO APRIL 17, 2010 (9:41:49) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item. Natural Resources Specialist Ann Bollinger introduced Margie Evans of the Carson City Weed Coalition, provided an overview of the agenda report, and narrated a PowerPoint presentation. (9:45:23) Ms. Evans expressed appreciation for the Board's consideration, and conveyed University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Educator JoAnne Skelly's regards and support of this item. Ms. Evans narrated that portion of the PowerPoint presentation pertinent to identification of and funding for treatment of invasive weed species.

In response to a question, Ms. Bollinger advised that the Plateau product is successful in treating cheatgrass. It has been used on limited City property, and the U.S. Forest Service is allowed to use it on a maximum of 100 acres per project. Ms. Bollinger has been encouraging the U.S. Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit to use Plateau and other chemicals which can be applied to annual grasses.

Ms. Evans continued narrating the PowerPoint presentation, and requested the Board to take action to proclaim Invasive Species Awareness Week, April 12 through 17, 2010. She requested the public to contact the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension with concerns over invasive weeds. She offered her services to coordinate clean up or "weed days," and advised of a list of upcoming events which was left in the meeting room for the benefit of the public. She provided her contact information.

In response to a question, Ms. Evans expressed the hope that imported plant species will not become invasive. She noted, however, "historically, it has happened." Purple loose strife, a serious problem in Reno, was originally imported. Because it thrives in this area, "it'll eventually take over our stream banks." Ms. Evans further noted that salt cedar, which was originally considered "a good backdrop or ... natural fencing, ... takes over as well." Supervisor Aldean suggested providing informational materials to the national retailers and other private businesses to educate them about plant materials to avoid importing.

Supervisor Williamson thanked Ms. Evans and Ms. Bollinger for their presentation and for the informational materials distributed. In response to a question, Ms. Evans advised that the informational materials are available at the Cooperative Extension Office on Northgate Lane. Supervisor Walt commended Ms. Bollinger's efforts in providing presentations in the schools.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, advised Mr. Moellendorf that the First Presbyterian Church is interested in participating in a community project. Mayor Crowell entertained a motion. **Supervisor Livermore moved to adopt Resolution No. 2010-R-13 declaring Invasive Species Awareness Week from April 12 to April 17, 2010. Supervisor Aldean seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.** Mayor Crowell thanked Ms. Bollinger and Ms. Evans for their very informative presentation. Mayor Crowell recessed the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

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19. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

19(A) PUBLIC HEARING ON THE INTENT OF CARSON CITY, NEVADA TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) WATER BONDS, ADDITIONALLY SECURED BY PLEDGED REVENUES, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$32,000,000 (10:13:14) - Mayor Crowell reconvened the meeting at 10:13 a.m., and introduced this item. Finance Department Director Nick Providenti reviewed the agenda materials. Mayor Crowell opened the hearing and entertained public comment. When none was forthcoming, he closed the public hearing.

19(B) PUBLIC HEARING ON THE INTENT OF CARSON CITY, NEVADA, TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) SEWER BONDS, ADDITIONALLY SECURED BY PLEDGED REVENUES, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,000,000 (10:14:49) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Mr. Providenti reviewed the agenda materials. Mayor Crowell opened the hearing and entertained public comment. When none was forthcoming, he closed the public hearing.

19(C) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO LOWER THE PROPERTY TAX RATE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED ON MARCH 4, 2010 FROM \$3.1299 PER HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUE TO \$3.0899 FOR USE IN PREPARING THE CARSON CITY FY 2011 BUDGET ASSUMING THE CARSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT LOWERS THEIR SCHOOL DEBT RATE BY 4 CENTS (10:15:47) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item. Mr. Providenti reviewed the agenda materials, and responded to questions of clarification. Mayor Crowell entertained public comment; however, none was forthcoming.

Supervisor Livermore advised of a “philosophical problem right now with the economy ... by us taking advantage of an opportunity to lower the tax rate.” He expressed support for lowering the property tax rate, but advised he would not support “... rolling that tax rate over to our organization.” Mr. Providenti responded to additional questions of clarification relative to the recommended action, and discussion followed.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment. (10:25:16) Carson City citizen Stacey Giomi inquired, “What happens if the Board chooses to drop the rate \$0.04 now and then the School District chooses not to drop that rate?” Mr. Providenti explained, in that case, staff is requesting to keep the property tax rate at \$3.1299. Mayor Crowell entertained additional public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Livermore moved to direct staff to lower the property tax rate previously adopted on March 4, 2010 from \$3.1299 per hundred dollars of assessed value to \$3.0899, for use in preparing the Carson City fiscal year 2011 budget, assuming the Carson City School District lowers their school debt rate by 4 cents; if the Carson City School District maintains the rate at 47 cents, the total tax rate would remain at \$3.1299.** Supervisor Williamson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

20. HUMAN RESOURCES

20(A) ACTION TO APPROVE THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARSON CITY AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2010 TO JUNE 30, 2014 (10:27:05) - Mayor Crowell recessed the meeting into closed session, pursuant to NRS 288.220(4), at 10:27 a.m. Mayor Crowell reconvened the meeting at 11:28 a.m. Fire Chief Stacey Giomi expressed appreciation to the City’s negotiating team, including Human Resources Director Jennifer Schultz, Finance Department Director Nick Providenti, and Chief Deputy District Attorney Melanie Bruketta, and the Firefighter’s Association negotiating team. He provided an overview of negotiations which took place in early March, and an overview of the agreement,

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copies of which were included in the agenda materials. He acknowledged that all City employee contracts are a matter of public record, and available on the Human Resources Department website.

(11:30:40) Firefighters Association President Bob Schriehans expressed appreciation for the four-year contract in consideration of the difficult economic times. He commended the City's negotiating team and the firefighters negotiating team.

Mayor Crowell discussed the importance of working together as a community during the difficult economic times, and thanked the Firefighters Association for their participation. He entertained public comment and, when none was forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Williamson moved to approve the collective bargaining agreement between Carson City and the International Association of Firefighters for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2014. Supervisor Aldean seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.** Mr. Werner thanked the City and the Firefighters Association negotiating teams.

20(B) ACTION TO APPROVE THE VOLUNTARY SEPARATION PROGRAM FOR ALL ELIGIBLE CARSON CITY EMPLOYEES AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE AGREEMENTS (11:33:16) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Human Resources Department Director Jennifer Schultz reviewed the agenda materials. Mr. Providenti acknowledged that \$200,000 would be left in the landfill postclosure fund. Ms. Schultz responded to questions of clarification regarding the provisions of the voluntary separation program, copies of which were included in the agenda materials.

Mayor Crowell entertained public comment. (11:36:20) Bob Schriehans expressed appreciation for the voluntary separation program in consideration of "alleviating the layoffs," and requested the Board's support.

Mayor Crowell entertained a motion. **Supervisor Aldean moved to approve the voluntary separation program for all eligible Carson City employees and to authorize the City Manager to approve the individual agreements, fiscal impact up to \$500,000 from the landfill closure fund. Supervisor Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

21. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NON-ACTION ITEMS:

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (11:38:04) - Mayor Crowell advised that he would be meeting with Senator Reid and Congressman Heller next week.

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

STATUS REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS (11:38:16) - Mayor Crowell and the Board members wished everyone Happy Easter.

STAFF COMMENTS AND STATUS REPORTS

22. ACTION TO ADJOURN (11:38:23) - Supervisor Livermore moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m. Supervisor Williamson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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The Minutes of the April 1, 2010 Carson City Board of Supervisors meeting are so approved this 6th day of May, 2010.

ROBERT L. CROWELL, Mayor

ATTEST:

ALAN GLOVER, Clerk-Recorder