

**CARSON CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CITIZENS COMMITTEE**

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Redevelopment Authority Citizens Committee was held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2000 in the City Hall Capitol Conference Room, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Robin Williamson  
Arthur Hannafin  
Joseph McCarthy  
Fred Nietz

**STAFF:** Rob Joiner, Redevelopment Director  
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary  
(RACC 06/21/00; Tape 1-0001)

**NOTE:** Unless indicated otherwise, each item was introduced by Chairperson Williamson. 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 (1-0002)** - Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

**B. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (1-0003)** - Roll call was taken; a quorum was present. Vice Chairperson Johnson, and Members Browne and Tresnit were absent.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - None.

**D. MODIFICATION OF AGENDA (1-0008)** - Chairperson Williamson modified the agenda to address item F-4 first. (1-0176) Chairperson Williamson additionally modified the agenda to address item F-2 following item F-4.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (1-0010)** - None.

**F. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON:**

**F-1. REQUEST BY DOREEN MACK (LOFTY EXPRESSIONS) FOR "TELEGRAPH SQUARE" IDENTIFICATION SIGN AT NORTH CARSON STREET AND WEST TELEGRAPH STREET (1-0478)** - Ms. Mack advised of a meeting with Dan Mooney and Member Hannafin. Member Hannafin displayed a site plan and indicated the proposed location for a kiosk. He discussed the proposal to incorporate a kiosk with a sign identifying Telegraph Square, and the possibility of placing other kiosks through town. He diagramed a conceptual design, discussed proposed materials, lighting and Telegraph Square signage, and displayed a prototype. Discussion took place regarding a landmark map, responsibilities for posting, signage, locations, and the number of kiosks. The Committee conceptually approved the kiosk design.

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(1-0797) Laura Adler suggested fixed panels for general information, current events, and shop locations. She further suggested that funding may be available through the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Nevada Commission on Tourism, and local businesses. She emphasized the need to ensure proper maintenance of the kiosks, and Chairperson Williamson advised that the Redevelopment Authority would oversee the maintenance.

Discussion took place regarding the cost, and Mr. Mooney indicated that he would calculate the cost once a blueprint is developed. Member Hannafin suggested returning to the next monthly meeting with a refined design and cost estimates. Ms. Mack commented that the focus of the kiosks should be on downtown businesses. In response to a question, Member Hannafin pointed out the transformer box, the proposed kiosk location, a manhole cover, and a sign on the site plan. Ms. Mack inquired as to whether an iron arm could be attached to the light post indicating the Telegraph Square shops. Discussion followed with regard to the same. Mr. Joiner will research the requirements for attaching a sign to the light post.

(1-1565) Ms. Mack displayed proposed signage for the Telegraph Square planter boxes, and Mr. Mooney described the dimensions and materials to be used. Committee consensus was to approve the idea. Mr. Mooney will research the cost.

**F-2. REQUEST BY BRUCE ROBERTSON, GOLD DUST COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATES, FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION REGARDING POTENTIAL REQUEST FOR INCENTIVE FUNDING TO REHABILITATE THE EXTERIOR OF BUILDINGS, INCLUDING SIDING, WINDOWS AND LANDSCAPING, AT 813 NORTH PLAZA STREET, AND 200 EAST WASHINGTON STREET, (PROPERTY OWNER: LARQUIER CORP., LTD) ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 2-161-07 (1-0178)** - Mr. Joiner referred to the staff report and the attachments included in the agenda materials, and provided a brief overview of the same. Mr. Robertson described the location of the subject properties and their respective relationship to the historic district and the downtown design district. He reviewed project drawings for each of the properties, and advised of estimated project costs. Discussion took place regarding available and anticipated redevelopment funding. Member Hannafin suggested evaluating a number of projects, including this one, on a comparative basis. Mr. Joiner advised Mr. Robertson of the application which is currently being developed. Discussion took place regarding the application process, and redevelopment funding for interior improvements. Mr. Robertson provided information on the Plaza Street tenants and on the details of the project. The Committee encouraged Mr. Robertson to submit an application.

**F-3. REQUEST BY COPELAND LUMBER TO EXPAND THE EXISTING OUTDOOR STORAGE YARD ON PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO 906 SOUTH STEWART STREET (COPELAND LUMBER), ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 4-055-07 (1-0968)** - Mr. Joiner reviewed the staff report. Discussion took place regarding the recommended stacking limitation, and Mr. Joiner advised of a request by the owners of Copeland Lumber to continue stacking lumber and materials against the building. Ms. Adler commented that since the owners of Copeland Lumber have been responsible business people in the community for a number of years, their request should be granted.

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**F-4. DECISION BY CARSON CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAIN STREET COMMITTEE TO REVERT REDEVELOPMENT MONIES PREVIOUSLY COMMITTED TO THE MURAL PROGRAM (1-0013)** - Larry Osborne, Executive Director of the Carson City Area Chamber of Commerce, provided background information on the mural project. He displayed the design which had been approved by the Mainstreet Council, the Carson City Redevelopment Authority, and the State of Nevada. He advised of the involvement of the Nevada Arts Council and the subsequent delay to the project. At the request of the Mainstreet Council, Senator Mark Amodei met with the Director of the Nevada Arts Council and with Chairperson Williamson and Mr. Osborne. The Nevada Arts Council persisted in their refusal to approve the final design, however, and Mr. Osborne advised of the explanation provided by the Nevada Arts Council Director. He advised that the Mainstreet Council had decided not to turn the project over to the Nevada Arts Council. Other possible sites within the historic district were considered; however, nothing was located which is as large or has as much visibility. The Mainstreet Council voted unanimously to abandon the project and to revert the \$6,000 in redevelopment funding, with the recommendation that the Committee consider using the funds toward a project similar to Telegraph Square.

Mr. Osborne explained that the artist, John Hunt, never billed the Mainstreet Council for the work he did in developing several renderings and making changes. The Mainstreet Council voted to pay Mr. Hunt \$500 for his efforts. Mr. Osborne requested that the Committee match the Council's contribution of \$250 to be allocated from the \$6,000. Member Nietz inquired as to whether the Ormsby House had been considered. Mr. Osborne indicated that Mr. Cashell was not interested in the project. **Member McCarthy moved to contribute \$250 of redevelopment money to match the Mainstreet money to ensure that John Hunt is reimbursed for his time and effort. Member Hannafin seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.**

**F-5. STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CITIZENS COMMITTEE (1-1065)** - Dan Mooney distributed a progress report and reviewed the same. He reviewed the six goals for downtown Carson City, and discussion took place regarding the need for an identity. Member McCarthy provided a status report on the cultural needs assessment, and advised of the One Region/One Vision meeting scheduled for July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Sierra Room. He commented that the strategic planning process should not duplicate the cultural needs assessment. Mr. Mooney advised that the strategic planning process would be more long-term, approximately six months to one year. He reviewed the criteria for selection of vision team members, and expressed the need for one vision group composed of the downtown shop owners. Discussion ensued with regard to composition of the vision group(s), and Member Hannafin suggested prioritizing the downtown area. Mr. Mooney advised that as soon as the Committee decides who to appoint to the vision group, he will move forward with the plan outlined in his original proposal. Volunteers were solicited to serve on a subcommittee; Members Nietz, Hannafin and Chairperson Williamson volunteered. Chairperson Williamson thanked Mr. Mooney for his presentation. The Committee members commended Mr. Mooney on his progress.

**F-6. REDEVELOPMENT BUDGET ACCOUNT SUMMARIES (1-1609)** - Mr. Joiner advised that Shirley Adshade-Sponsler had obtained \$2,000 to pay for the entertainment at the Sunday Concert Series. Nevada Bell and Carson-Tahoe Hospital each contributed \$1,000.

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**F-7. ESTABLISHING DATE FOR JOINT REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CITIZENS COMMITTEE/CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAIN STREET COMMITTEE WORKSHOP TO DETERMINE A LOCATION FOR STREET PARKING AND LANDSCAPING PLANTER IMPROVEMENTS ON CURRY STREET - Deferred.**

**G. REVIEW OF EXISTING PROJECTS IN THE REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND DISCUSSION OF FUTURE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CITIZENS COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS (1-1645) - Member McCarthy advised of a concern regarding freedom of trade at the Tuesdays@Third event. Mr. Joiner advised Member McCarthy to notify the district attorney in writing.**

**H. COMMITTEE COMMENTS - None.**

**I. ADJOURNMENT (1-1720) - Chairperson Williamson adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

The Minutes of the June 21, 2000 meeting of the Carson City Redevelopment Authority Citizens Committee are so approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2000.

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ROBIN L. WILLIAMSON, Chairperson