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A regular meeting of the Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 21, 2007 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Donna Curtis
Vice Chairperson John Felesina
Sam Bauman
Leandra Jones
Tom Keeton
Pete Livermore
John McKenna
Glenn Tierney
Rich Wontorski

STAFF: Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Department Director
Scott Fahrenbruch, Parks and Recreation Director of Operations
Juan Guzman, Open Space / Property Manager
Barbara Singer, Recreation Program Manager
Vern Krahn, Park Planner
Kurt Meyer, Aquatic Facility Operations Manager
Ann Bollinger, Open Space Assistant
Joel Benton, Senior Deputy District Attorney
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

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CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (5:31:36) - Chairperson Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Roll was called; a quorum was present. Commissioner Bauman arrived at 5:36 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (5:32:04) - None.

1. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 17, 2007 (5:32:34) - Commissioner Keeton moved to approve the minutes, as submitted. Commissioner Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0.

2. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA (5:42:29) - Commissioner McKenna requested to modify the agenda to address those items pertinent to the citizens present. Commissioner Livermore suggested combining discussion of items 5-A and 5-B prior to taking action on either item.

3. STAFF UPDATES (5:32:54) - Chairperson Curtis noted the revised format of this item. In response to a question, Mr. Benton advised that any further staff updates would have to be agendized for the next commission meeting.

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3-A. UPDATE ON THE URBAN FISHING POND PROJECT (5:33:43) - Deferred.

3-B. UPDATE ON THE CARSON CITY FAIRGROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS (5:33:33) -

Mr. Krahn reported that the parking lot concrete had been poured, and the contractor was in the process of laying aggregate base for paving. Mr. Krahn anticipates the parking lot will be paved by the end of next week. Once the parking lot is paved, the only other project is to finish installing light fixtures. Mr. Krahn anticipates a two to three week delay in that the light poles have not yet arrived. He discussed plans to landscape the parking lot in mid-September. He anticipates that phase 2 plans will be submitted to the bid process by late September.

3-C. UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL LANDS BILL (5:35:22) -

Mr. Moellendorf suggested agendizing this item for discussion at the September commission meeting. He reminded the commissioners that the Board of Supervisors approved the proposed federal lands bill map on January 18, 2007, and that it was subsequently presented to the congressional delegation. He reviewed a counterproposal received from the U.S. Forest Service ("USFS"). [Commissioner Bauman arrived at 5:36 p.m.] Mr. Moellendorf advised that City representatives are requesting the congressional delegation to move forward with the original proposal. He discussed concerns over the proposed intensity of development for the Silver Saddle Ranch and Prison Hill, and advised of encouragement by the congressional delegation for City officials to work with users, Bureau of Land Management representatives, and the Friends of the Silver Saddle Ranch. City staff had been and will continue working with Friends of the Silver Saddle Ranch and BLM representatives on a management agreement. This may eventually lead to a public process charette. In response to a question, Mr. Moellendorf advised that the charette will likely be scheduled for later in the fall. He acknowledged the congressional delegation isn't in a hurry.

3-D. UPDATE REGARDING THE ANDERSEN RANCH OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION IN REGARD TO THE UNIFIED PATHWAYS MASTER PLAN (5:39:56) -

Mr. Moellendorf reported that Open Space / Property Manager Juan Guzman has been moving forward on acquiring the Andersen Ranch. The project is currently in escrow, and Mr. Guzman anticipates completing the transaction in early September. Mr. Moellendorf advised that the unified pathways master plan element does not indicate a trail through the Andersen property, but through the neighboring Jarrard property. Mr. Guzman and members of the Open Space Advisory Committee are actively pursuing the Jarrard property. If the Jarrard property is acquired, the unified pathways master plan element calls for construction and development of a multi-purpose, paved pathway. Mr. Moellendorf advised that the two properties are key components to provide public access and connectivity along the River. He reviewed the prices and acreage of the Andersen and Jarrard properties.

4. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

4-A. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EAGLE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD FACILITY AND POSSIBLE CARSON CITY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT INVOLVEMENT (5:44:05) -

Chairperson Curtis introduced this item and Carson City School District Director of Operations Mike Mitchell. (5:44:31) Mr. Mitchell provided background information on and described the track facility / football field which was constructed on the knoll west of Eagle Valley Middle School. He advised school district representatives have recently realized the importance of treating "Eagle Valley equally with Carson Middle School and to provide the same sort of opportunities for those kids that we provide for the students

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at Carson Middle School.” He discussed interest in making improvements to the track and field at Eagle Valley Middle School, and advised of available funding. He further advised of having discussed the opportunities and walked the site with Commissioner McKenna, and of having met with Mr. Moellendorf and Mr. Fahrenbruch. He reviewed the “hugely successful” community-wide partnerships between the Carson City School District and the Parks and Recreation Department. He advised that a water supply was stubbed in by the City approximately one year ago at the time utilities were extended to River Road. He further advised that the School District is moving ahead with making improvements to the track facility. Consideration is being given to grades, landscape, irrigation, ongoing operating and maintenance costs. Mr. Mitchell advised of “a great opportunity for a parking space right off of River Road.” He further advised of discussions with City representatives regarding permitting “and trying to get some of this to happen without a lot of red tape.” He expressed confidence that “it can all come together.”

Mr. Mitchell proposed beginning discussions with Parks and Recreation Department staff to understand “what the opportunities could be like, how we might share in development of this facility, how we might share in the ... costs, ongoing operations, scheduling.” He commended Mr. Fahrenbruch on the “incredible challenge” of scheduling all the youth sports activities at School District facilities.

Mr. Mitchell acknowledged that the water line is potable water. In response to a suggestion, he advised that the use of reclaimed water has been considered for the subject and various other school district sites. Commissioner Livermore suggested considering the type of turf used at UNR and Manogue High School. In response to a question, Mr. Mitchell advised that the track is in place but that the field, at 110,000 square feet, is just shy of the dimensions required for an international soccer field. Commissioner Livermore noted the current demand for adult soccer fields in the community. Mr. Mitchell advised that synthetic turf is being considered as an improvement to the Carson High School football field. He acknowledged that consideration is being given to relocating approximately 20,000 square feet of sod from the Carson Middle School to the infield at Eagle Valley Middle School. He explained the construction time table at Carson Middle School associated with relocating the sod. As synthetic turf is researched and considered for Eagle Valley Middle School, another location for the 20,000 square feet of sod will also be considered. Mr. Mitchell acknowledged the possibility of using the sod at a Parks and Recreation facility has been discussed with Mr. Moellendorf and Mr. Fahrenbruch.

In response to a question, Mr. Mitchell advised that two track and field facilities are currently needed. Eagle Valley Middle School administration and athletic department representatives are “excited about being able to conduct the same kinds of track meets that Carson Middle does. There’s a lot of interest in other schools coming to Carson to participate in that.”

In response to a question, Mr. Mitchell reviewed the provisions of the joint use agreement which amount to a “fair trade” situation between the School District and the Parks and Recreation Department. There has never been the “opportunity to ... make a major improvement that is not funded by a school bond.” The subject improvements would “come out of our operating dollars. So it’s put a different complexion on how to get it done and that’s why ... the partnership aspect of it is ... key to get it done.” In response to a further question, Mr. Mitchell advised that start up as well as ongoing costs would be needed. He further advised that synthetic turf would be “a good way to go” in the long term but very expensive up front. He suggested that ongoing operational costs may be easier to absorb than the larger up front costs. He reiterated the proposal to begin discussions with Parks and Recreation Department staff. He advised that “the only fly in the ointment is the immediate need to get 20,000 square feet of sod relocated.”

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Commissioner McKenna provided background information on the funding available for the project. He discussed the importance of planting grass on the entire infield. He expressed the opinion that the area is underserved as far as neighborhood parks. He advised that improvements to the track and infield would benefit the entire community in many ways. Mr. Mitchell advised of an additional undeveloped nine acres adjacent to the track which can only be used for public purpose. Commissioner McKenna described the location of the nine acres and advised that it had been a previous consideration for the recreation center site. Commissioner Keeton discussed redevelopment funding "which the School Board would normally get." He advised of having been informed by the "City administration that ... we make this whole by doing other things." He suggested "this is almost one of those other things that could be considered ... because they're not going to get that money from the redevelopment district ... but the City's supposed to make it good to them somehow in services or other things." He suggested "that should be a matter for consideration if this comes up for further discussion." Commissioner Livermore endorsed any opportunity for the School District and the City to work together. He complimented Mr. Mitchell and Commissioner McKenna on presenting the subject item. He circulated a field use schedule among the commissioners, and advised that youth sports couldn't "operate ... without the school district's property." Chairperson Curtis thanked Mr. Mitchell for his presentation.

4-B. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ONLY ON THE LATCH KEY AND SUMMER KAMP PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE CESSATION OF THE LATCH KEY KINDER PROGRAM

(7:06:55) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Ms. Singer reviewed statistical information regarding Latch Key and Summer Kamp program participation. She provided background information on the Kinder Latch Key programs, and explained the reason for cessation of these programs. She advised that sufficient notice was provided to the participants, and that the Summer Kinder program was not offered. She discussed this year's Latch Key program, and the School District facilities used to accommodate the program. She advised there is a current waiting list of 17 children for the program located at Fritsch Elementary School. She acknowledged having discussed, with Bethlehem Lutheran School representatives, the possibility of utilizing their facility for the Latch Key Program. Commissioner McKenna suggested discussing with Mike Mitchell the possibility of bussing children from the Fritsch location to the Bordewich location. Ms. Singer discussed recent staffing issues which have also affected the Latch Key Program. In response to a question, she discussed the difficulties surrounding the half-time director's position for the Kinder Latch Key program. She discussed requirements of the State of Nevada Child Care Licensing Bureau. Mr. Moellendorf commended Ms. Singer on her presentation, and advised that consideration would be given to starting the Kinder Latch Key program again if the "right person" became available to fill the part-time director's position. In response to a comment, Ms. Singer advised that program fees have always covered 100 percent of the costs. "The problem is the staffing ... the 1039 [hours], no more full-time position, and no more PERS." Ms. Singer responded to questions regarding the salary ranges for the program staff. Chairperson Curtis thanked Ms. Singer.

4-C. DISCUSSION ONLY WITH REGARD TO CLOSING THE AQUATIC FACILITY ON SUNDAYS DURING THE WINTER MONTHS OF NOVEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY

(7:25:28) - Mr. Meyer reviewed the staff report. He responded to questions regarding the staffing required to have the aquatic facility open and the average number of users on Sundays during the winter months. Commissioner Tierney advised of having used the facility on Sundays during the winter months, and concurred with Mr. Meyer's conclusions and proposal. Commissioner Livermore suggested soliciting input from the users with regard to the proposal. In response to a question, Mr. Meyer provided additional detail regarding the staffing required to have the aquatic facility open. Mr. Moellendorf discussed issues

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associated with running a “skeletal crew” on Sundays, and with surveying the users. He advised that the next edition of *Discover Us* is ready to be published and that notification of the closure should be included in that publication. Commissioner McKenna referred to Mr. Meyer’s earlier comments that the facility wasn’t open on Sunday prior to the most recent improvements. He suggested the experiment has indicated that it isn’t cost effective to keep the facility open on Sundays. Mr. Moellendorf agreed that use of the facility on Sunday has proven to be low. He pointed out that, although it is a public facility, it still has to be run as a business. Chairperson Curtis suggested “trying it and see what happens.” If there is a general outcry, “maybe there’s a compromise.” Chairperson Curtis expressed the hope that it would encourage people to consider swimming on another day. Commissioner Keeton suggested providing notification of the closure and “see what happens.” Commissioner Tierney concurred. Mr. Meyer responded to questions regarding average use of the aquatic facility during the summer months. Chairperson Curtis thanked Mr. Meyer for his presentation.

4-D. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE ONLY REGARDING THE PROJECT STATUS OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTION #1 TRAILS AND PARK PROJECTS (7:39:08) - Chairperson Curtis introduced this item. Mr. Krahn reviewed the staff report. Ms. Bollinger narrated a PowerPoint presentation which included an overview of the Question #1 Conservation and Resource Protection Grant Program. Mr. Krahn provided an overview of Exhibit B to the staff report. He discussed the significance of the extension of time for the Question #1 Program, granted by the 2007 Legislature to December 2011. (7:55:59) Ms. Bollinger reviewed Question #1 allocations to the Carson River corridor. In response to a comment, Mr. Krahn discussed possibilities regarding Question #1 allocations for Carson River corridor projects.

4D1. LINEAR PARK TRAIL EXTENSION AND CONNECTION PROJECT - PHASE 4 (7:49:43) - Ms. Bollinger oriented the commissioners to the location of the trail using a displayed map. She discussed the two components of the project, as follows: the trail extension from the existing linear park trail and paving the section of trail along Fifth Street to connect with Fairview Drive. In between is NDOT’s multi-use path, and Ms. Bollinger advised that the subject project will be scheduled to coincide with NDOT’s construction. Commissioner McKenna pointed out a correction to the displayed map. In response to a question, Mr. Krahn explained that Southwest Gas is installing a new gas line along the alignment of the path. He expressed the understanding that the path will be replaced. Commissioner McKenna responded to questions regarding the path funded by the School District for the east side of Fairview Drive. Ms. Bollinger noted the costs associated with the project and advised that the two sources of funding are the Recreation / Trails Program and Question #1. Mr. Krahn advised that no City funds will be allocated to the project. In-kind match funding was provided in the form of City staff time.

4D2. MEXICAN DITCH MULTI-USE TRAIL BRIDGES AND CARSON RIVER ROAD PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PROJECT (8:00:06) - Ms. Bollinger reviewed the three components of this project, including a new bridge, a replacement bridge, and road signage / pavement markings. She responded to questions regarding the locations of the replacement and new bridges. Mr. Krahn responded to questions regarding access. Commissioner McKenna requested consideration for “year-round water into Riverview Park and into that area by the Mexican Ditch so that we have a true wetlands.” Ms. Bollinger reviewed the project time line. Mr. Krahn discussed the involvement of Muscle Powered representatives, particularly Anne and Chas Macquarrie, in securing the grant funding for this project and the Linear Park Trail project. He thanked them for their assistance and participation. He reviewed costs and funding for the project.

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4D3. AQUATIC TRAIL PLAN - MORGAN MILL ROAD RIVER ACCESS AREA SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (8:05:48) - Ms. Bollinger oriented the commissioners to the location of this project using a displayed map, and reviewed details of the project. Mr. Krahn reviewed the project implementation schedule, costs and funding. He noted that the available funding does not include any City funding allocations.

4D4. URBAN FISHING POND PROJECT (8:10:36) - Mr. Krahn provided background information on funding issues associated with this project. He advised of a potential donation from Trout Unlimited, provided a status report on the project in conjunction with displayed slides, and reviewed the project implementation schedule.

4D5. CARSON RIVER PARK - PHASE 2 (7:58:04) - Mr. Krahn advised that a contract with a consultant team is in the process of being negotiated. The Carson River Advisory Committee and this commission will be involved in reviewing preliminary design concepts. Mr. Krahn reviewed the project time line.

4D6. TAHOE BIKE PATH PROJECT (8:15:02) - Ms. Bollinger advised that this project is slowly moving forward with the involvement of many different partners and the consultant. The working group is in the process of developing a vision statement, goals, and objectives for the public meeting process. She described two demonstration projects, one in Washoe County and one in Douglas County, which will connect with existing trails. In response to a question, she advised that Washoe County had been designated the lead on the project in that "they're taking the money from the State of Nevada." She advised that the TRPA has now superseded Washoe County as the lead on the project.

4D7. V&T TRAIL (NORTHERN SECTION) (8:16:40) - Mr. Krahn noted that this project is identified in the unified pathways master plan element. He described the route from Combs Canyon Road to the hospital and to Lakeview. He discussed a variety of land ownership and design issues associated with the project. He advised that a residential construction tax application will be submitted to hire a consultant team to develop a preliminary engineering study, preliminary design, cost estimates, etc. The documents will, in turn, be used by staff to seek various federal and grant funding for the project. In response to a question, Mr. Krahn advised of the intent to provide a trail network on the west side of town from Kings Canyon Road to Western Nevada College, from the college across Combs Canyon Road to the hospital, to Lakeview, and to the children's home. He described potential future connections via Curry Street and Mountain Street to other parts of town. Chairperson Curtis thanked Mr. Krahn and Ms. Bollinger for their presentation. Mr. Krahn discussed the team effort, and commended Ms. Bollinger, Ms. Macquarrie, Mr. Guzman, and Mr. Moellendorf.

4-E. DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PROPOSED INDOOR RECREATION CENTER, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT SCENARIOS AND ESTIMATED PROJECT COST OPTIONS - Previously covered.

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5. ACTION ITEMS:

5-A. ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SITES: JOHND WINTERS CENTENNIAL PARK, MILLS PARK, OR THE NEW BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SITE FOR THE PROPOSED CITY INDOOR RECREATION CENTER; and 5-B. ACTION RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL FROM THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPOSED CITY INDOOR RECREATION CENTER AT THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SITE LOCATED AT RUSSELL WAY AND NORTHRIDGE DRIVE (6:04:41) - Chairperson Curtis introduced these items. Commissioner McKenna expressed the understanding that the commission had already taken action to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the JohnD Winters Centennial Park site as the alternative to WNC. In response to a question, Chairperson Curtis provided an overview of discussion which took place at the last commission meeting. In response to a further question, Mr. Benton advised that the agenda items were properly worded for the commission to take action.

Mr. Moellendorf provided background information and reviewed the staff report for item 5-A. In response to a question, he explained the significance of the Library building in consideration of the Mills Park site. In response to a further question, he advised that the City Manager has stated the recreation center has to “pay its own way.” He acknowledged that part of paying its own way is staffing. He reviewed the results of several pro formas, particularly in conjunction with the WNC partnership, which indicated that the recreation center may be able to cover its own operating costs. He noted that these decisions will be made by the City Manager and the Board of Supervisors. He further noted the importance of keeping staffing levels to a minimum in any type of recreation facility. The pro formas have indicated that 60 to 70 percent of the operating costs will be in hiring and compensating staff. Commissioner Keeton suggested that the majority of the operating costs will be dependent upon the type of facility constructed. A gymnasium will take a lot less staff than a “full-blown recreation center.” Commissioner Livermore discussed the significance of user fees in consideration of offsetting operating costs. Mr. Moellendorf acknowledged that a gymnasium does require very few staff persons, but noted it also has a very low potential for generating revenue. With a facility requiring a lot of staff, the hope is to generate enough revenue to cover the cost.

Mr. Moellendorf continued reviewing the staff report. In response to a question, he described the location of the land at Mills Park which is encumbered by the Land and Water Conservation Fund and explained the encumbrance. He continued reviewing the staff report. At Chairperson Curtis’ request, he reviewed the staff reports and attachments for item 4-E.

(6:33:30) Boys and Girls Clubs Board of Directors President Buzz Fitzpatrick provided an overview of the August 16, 2007 letter included in the agenda materials as Exhibit A to agenda item 5B. He described the Boys and Girls Clubs property and the possibilities for entering into a partnership to construct a recreation facility. In response to a comment, he reviewed the amenities to be included in the building which is in the process of being constructed.

Commissioner McKenna inquired as to the advertising for the Question #18 campaign. Mr. Moellendorf advised that the only commitment, included as part of the advertising campaign and the ballot language, was a \$120,000 allocation for operation and maintenance of the facility. The ballot language also included

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provision for a multi-purpose gym which location was not specified. There was however “lots of discussions ... that a viable idea would be to build the gym in conjunction with the Boys and Girls Club, but the voters didn’t vote on it in that manner.” Commissioner McKenna noted that the recreation facility had been a topic of discussion for a long time. He expressed the opinion that the Boys and Girls Clubs location is “a viable opportunity ... based upon what the voters told the City they wanted.” He expressed concern over an operating agreement in that 6:30 p.m. is “way too late to start opening up a recreation center for the public, but things like that can be worked out.” He advised he would drop out of the discussion; that if the recreation facility will not be located at JohnD Winters Centennial Park, “then the Boys and Girls Clubs is a viable option for this whole thing. Let’s just do it.” Commissioner Livermore provided historic information on the Boys and Girls Clubs in Carson City. He read a portion of a 1999 *Capital City Focus* article into the record. He expressed the opinion that the Boys and Girls Clubs location represents a “golden opportunity.”

(6:40:23) John Tatro, a member of the Boys and Girls Clubs Board of Directors since 1995, advised of having served as last year’s Board of Directors president. He further advised that the Boys and Girls Clubs hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. He suggested that the gym could be available before 6:30 p.m., and advised that use of the gym can be “very flexible.” He further advised that members of the Boys and Girls Clubs will use the recreation facility no matter where it’s constructed. Mr. Tatro pointed out that constructing the facility at the Boys and Girls Clubs location will provide an opportunity to 500 children.

Commissioner Livermore reviewed the purpose of this agenda item, and noted that details of a use agreement could be worked out between the Boys and Girls Clubs and the City. Vice Chairperson Felesina inquired as to parking. Mr. Moellendorf noted that the parking lot would still be available when the Boys and Girls Clubs members and staff are not using their facility. Mr. Fitzpatrick advised that the existing parking lot is designed to accommodate the Boys and Girls Clubs facility and a gymnasium. In response to a comment, he advised there are a total of nine acres which are currently vacant. Vice Chairperson Felesina expressed the opinion that “whatever’s left of the \$9 million, after purchase of the property, should be put into a rec center there.” Mr. Moellendorf explained the purpose of the agenda item to determine whether the commission wanted to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for staff to work with Boys and Girls Clubs representatives toward the concept of constructing a recreation complex. Details regarding property acquisition, the building configuration, operating agreements, parking, etc. can then be worked out and presented to the commission at a future meeting. Vice Chairperson Felesina discussed previous consideration of the Boys and Girls Clubs location, and noted that there appears to be sufficient property to make the location viable for the recreation facility. Commissioner Keeton discussed the need for all-day access to the recreation center. Mr. Tatro advised that Boys and Girls Clubs members use the facility only after school for nine months of the year. The facility would therefore be available from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The facility is used from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. during the summer months. Mr. Moellendorf pointed out that the Boys and Girls Clubs facility would have the most limited hours during the winter months at which time the Recreation Division’s use of its facilities is the highest. Commissioner Keeton expressed opposition to the idea of partnership, and inquired as to the Boys and Girls Clubs contribution to the project. Mr. Tatro advised that the Boys and Girls Clubs will contribute property. Mr. Fitzpatrick clarified that the Boys and Girls Clubs would be considered a user of the recreation center, not a partner. Boys and Girls Clubs programs would be scheduled into the recreation center facility the same as any other user. Mr. Moellendorf advised that the joint use agreement would be similar to that which is between the City and the School District.

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Chairperson Curtis opened this item to public comment. (6:52:12) Jon Nowlin, a 30-year Carson City resident, estimated that he had been following this project for the last four years. He expressed the opinion that the Boys and Girls Clubs proposal represents an opportunity. He discussed his vision, "when the resources are available over time, to have a full-fledged rec center for this community." He discussed the benefits to the community of such a recreation center, and pointed out that Carson City has fewer recreation facilities than similar western communities. He expressed the opinion that the community "deserves a full-fledged rec center." He recommended considering the entire 14 acres, and scoping out the possibility of ultimately constructing a full-scale recreation center. He noted the advantage over the JohnD Winters Centennial Park site in that the Boys and Girls Clubs location is more central to the community. He described the opportunity as a win-win situation for both the City and the Boys and Girls Clubs.

(6:54:46) Dave Campbell, a Carson City resident, expressed the opinion that the JohnD Winters site would be "catastrophic." He suggested that the JohnD Winters location would "help with the maintenance of the building because it would never get any wear." He expressed support for the Boys and Girls Clubs location in that it is "centrally located, there's transportation, the entire community can get there." He shared Commissioner Keeton's misgivings over scheduling, but suggested "there's a lot that probably could be worked out."

(6:56:01) Ralph Buscher, a 15-year Carson City resident, advised of "no prejudice or bias for any of these sites." He inquired as to whether the commission had considered a multi-story facility for the Mills Park site. He described a design which would accommodate various amenities as well as parking.

Chairperson Curtis called for additional public comment and, when none was forthcoming, entertained a motion. Commissioner McKenna moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors approval of the proposal for the Boys and Girls Club to enter into a partnership for the completion of the Boys and Girls Clubs, and development of the proposed City indoor recreation center at the Boys and Girls Clubs site located at Russell Way and Northridge Drive. Mr. Benton provided direction with regard to appropriate action, and suggested two motions. **Commissioner McKenna moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the approval of the Boys and Girls Clubs as the site for the proposed City indoor recreation center. Commissioner Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0-1, Commissioner Keeton abstaining.**

Commissioner McKenna moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors approval of a proposal from the Boys and Girls Clubs to enter into a partnership for the completion of the Boys and Girls Clubs and the development of the proposed City indoor recreation center at the Boys and Girls Clubs site, located at Russell Way and Northridge Drive. Commissioner Livermore seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0-1, Commissioner Keeton abstaining. Chairperson Curtis recessed the meeting at 6:59 p.m. and reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

6. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

(8:23:26) - Chairperson Curtis noted that the commissioners had been provided copies of the unified pathways master plan element. Mr. Krahn reviewed the various locations at which copies of the unified pathways master plan element are available. Chairperson Curtis noted a *Nevada Appeal* article announcing that the Foundation for the Betterment of Parks and Recreation is currently receiving nominations for their honor roll. Commissioner McKenna thanked the Parks and Recreation Department staff for conducting defensible space mitigation at Riverview Park along Marsh Road.

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7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None.

8. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (8:26:40) - Commissioner Keeton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Vice Chairperson Felesina seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

The Minutes of the August 21, 2007 Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission meeting are so approved this 2nd day of October, 2007.

DONNA J. CURTIS, Chair