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A regular meeting of the Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee was held on Monday, October 13, 1997 in the Capital Conference Room, 201 No. Carson St., Carson City, NV at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Vice Chairperson Deborah Uhart
Mike Fischer
James Henry
Don Quilici
Robin Williamson
Dan Jacquet, Alternate

STAFF: Walter Sullivan, Community Development Director

Steve Kastens, Parks and Recreation Director

Juan Guzman, Senior Planner
Vern Krahn, Park Planner
Fran Smith, Recording Secretary
(OSAC 10/13/97 1-0000.5)

NOTE - Unless otherwise indicated each item was introduced by Vice Chairperson Uhart. Individuals speaking are identified following the heading of each item. A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's office. This tape is available for review and inspection during normal business hours.

A. CALL TO ORDER - Vice Chairperson Uhart called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present although Chairperson Hartman and Member Scott were absent and Member Quilici had not yet arrived. Arrived at 6:27 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Member Fischer moved to approve the Minutes of the September 8, 1997 meeting. Member Henry seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

C. MODIFICATION OF AGENDA - None.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

E. DISCLOSURES - Vice Chairperson Uhart said she had been contacted by a Mr. Rushing who had asked to be agendaized for an item at the next meeting.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

F-1 DISCUSSION REGARDING A PRESENTATION BY MR. J. STEPHEN WEAVER, STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES, IN REFERENCES TO THE STATE OF NEVADA'S EFFORTS TO MANAGE THE HISTORIC DANGBERG RANCH LOCATED IN THE CARSON VALLEY, NEVADA - (1-0041.5) Mr. Weaver showed slides depicting the historic items on the ranch and explained that the State is desirous of acquiring all of the ranch. He then provided extensive information on what they would plan to do with it. Member Williamson asked how long the process would take and he indicated it would take about two years. He also noted it was the desire of the current owners that it become a State park. Mr. Guzman said a main emphasis in Carson City is the preservation of historic properties and asked if the State would be willing to consider a memo of understanding by which Carson City could participate in management of a property. Mr. Weaver felt that was a viable proposition and said the State has several inter-agency management agreements with State, Federal and County agencies for joint management of projects. He then explained how that works.

Member Quilici arrived during this discussion.

F-2 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND

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CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH JEFF WINSTON, THE CONSULTANT SELECTED TO PREPARE THE OPEN SPACE ELEMENT OF THE MASTER PLAN - (1-0453.5) Mr. Guzman said staff had met with Mr. Winston who had submitted a new proposal copies of which he provided to the Committee. He added it was for approximately \$43,000 which was eight percent over what the Committee had anticipated. He, Mr. Kastens and the Committee reviewed the proposal in detail and Mr. Kastens indicated a desire that the Committee indicate a range they would accept. Mr. Guzman said they had not yet negotiated a contract with the consultant. Member Fischer then moved that the Committee recommend to the Board of Supervisors a contract not to exceed \$43,345. Member Williamson seconded the motion. Member Fischer did not believe this amount was excessive. At this point Vice Chairperson Uhart expressed her belief that the Committee should make meetings with the consultant productive and provided her reasons. Mr. Guzman then said the consultant had requested help from the City regarding mapping and explained. He also stated he thought the City might have to take the lead regarding the mapping and GIS to avoid problems in the future. Motion carried 4-1. (Member Williamson voted naye.)

F-3 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSAL REQUESTING DAVE MORGAN TO PRODUCE VIDEOS AND DIRECT THE VIDEO PRESENTATIONS FOR THE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PROGRAM OF THE OPEN SPACE ELEMENT OF THE MASTER PLAN _ (1-0655.5) Member Quilici said he needed to make a disclosure that he is the producer of a weekly television program on Channel 10 and that he has a working arrangement with Mr. Morgan to air it in Douglas County. He felt he should abstain from the discussion or vote on the item. Mr. Krahn had provided a memo in which he outlined possible ideas, production costs and possible forums Mr. Morgan could use. He reviewed these ideas and costs for the Committee and noted that the programs would belong to them. Mr. Guzman said a \$2,000 budget would be plenty for this and that it assumes the Members would be participants. Member Williamson moved that the Committee budget \$2,000 for production and distribution of public information videos with Dave Morgan. Member Fischer seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. At this point Member Quilici suggested contacting CATF regarding production of the programs. Member Fischer felt that this should also be discussed with Chairperson Hartman. A discussion ensued on how long the programs should continue, e.g. until the Master Plan is complete or if it would be an ongoing program. Member Williamson then withdrew her motion. Member Fischer accepted the withdrawal. It was then agreed to table this until more information is available from Mr. Morgan, CATF, etc.

G. INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (NON-ACTION)

2. Staff Reports (Non-Action - (1-0903.5) Mr. Guzman noted the people who had gone to Colorado to study the Carpenter Ranch operation. He commented on their itinerary and the people with whom they had met. Mr. Krahn showed slides of Boulder, the surrounding area, and the ranch. An extensive discussion ensued during which Mr. Guzman, Mr. Kastens and Mr. Krahn provided details on the Boulder philosophy relating to open space, costs, management, and how the Carpenter Ranch is operated. Member Fischer expressed a concern that there is potential for creating a bureaucracy and felt the Committee needs to be very careful about that. He also expressed a concern with the maintenance of anticipated local acquisitions. Member Quilici agreed with the concern there could be a possible bureaucracy. He referred to Boulder and noted it has grown to thirty percent of the budget and they are now looking at ways of acquiring open space other than purchasing it because they do not have the funding any more. Mr. Kastens said the citizens of Boulder had just passed another referendum and do not feel this is feeding a bureaucracy but rather doing what the public wants. Vice Chairperson Uhart felt if and when there is another initiative in Carson City it would be initiated by the public and not the Committee or staff because it would be something they wanted. She added her feeling it must be accepted that property cannot be purchased without having management and maintenance and that this must be considered before any purchase. Member Fischer felt it should be known that the Committee is trying to be thrifty.

1. Committee Member Reports (Non-Action) - None.

3. Future Committee Items - Vice Chairperson Uhart reiterated the request from Al Rushing to have an agenda item for discussion and consideration of his property on Kings Canyon Road as a possible open space acquisition.

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It was noted that the next meeting would be October 27 in the Sierra Room.

H. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business Vice Chairperson Uhart entertained a motion to adjourn. Member Fischer moved to adjourn. Member Quilici seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Vice Chairperson Uhart adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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ARE SO APPROVED __11/10__, 1997

/s/ _____
Steve Hartman, Chairperson