



the Clerk.) Mr. Telles indicated the budget is a "break even budget". (A copy of his report is included in the packet.) It is a conservative report which will meet the financial commitments for bonds, leases, and capital expenditures. It provides for contingencies for operating capital funds. Graphs of the patient day projections, outpatient visits, FTE/Adjusted Patient Days, a comparison to the national average and the surrounding hospitals, the Hospital's rates and its comparison to surrounding hospitals and the national average, and (1-0265.5) the community outreach programs were discussed. (1-0258.5) The Hospital's occupancy rate is averaging 80 to 90 percent. Ms. Walker commended them on their fiscal stability and financial stabilization program. Supervisor Bennett also commended the staff on their efforts. She noted the capital expenditure plans for the next three years and requested it be added to the budget documents. Discussion indicated any "excess" revenue would be invested back into the Hospital under this program. Mr. Telles agreed that 1996 had been great year financially for the Hospital. The Hospital needed to have a five percent overall general rate increase due to the the increase in contractual writeoffs, such as Medicare, and the failure of commercial insurance companies to provide a rate increase. This reduces the actual net rate to approximately two percent. As indicated in the projections the overall revenue will decrease slightly next year. Mr. Smith noted that the Hospital would need \$4.2 million to break even. Even one dollar less would mean that the Hospital is losing money. Public comments were solicited but none given. Mayor Teixeira noted the Hospital's responsibility to be self-sufficient and its ability to avoid burdening the taxpayers with its operational costs. He commended them on their ability to continue enhancing the revenue stream and meet the needs of the community and surrounding areas. Trustee Marangi had distributed to the Board and Clerk a handout he had obtained at a seminar. It stressed the need for quality improvement in health care and the changing medical environment. Benefits from the seminar were noted and echoed the need to be proactive rather than reactive. The other Trustees at the seminar had been amazed to learn that Carson City is not tax supported and were even more amazed to learn its occupancy rate and increase in net revenue. He felt that this was the direct result of the ability, dedication, and caring attitude of the CEO, administration, hospital staff, medical staff, volunteers, and all the others involved with the hospital's operation. He commended them on the care and treatment his family had received during the past three decades and expressed the hope that the community appreciates what it has.

There being no other matters for consideration by the Hospital Board of Trustees, Trustee Livermore moved to adjourn. Trustee Marangi seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and Chairperson Saulisberry adjourned the Board of Trustees at 6:30 p.m.

**C. STRATEGIC PLANNING (1-0410.5)** - Mr. Berkich explained that the plan and its implementation efforts had just begun. Next year's budget will include more strategic programs.

**D. CARSON CITY FISCAL YEAR 96-97 FINAL BUDGET (1-0418.5)** - Mayor Teixeira reviewed the items which were included in the packet. Funds available are \$202,00 in on-going funding and \$232,500 in one-shot funding. Clarification by Ms. Walker explained the funding for the child support worker. Mr. Waters indicated there is space available for this individual within his present quarters. The Fire Inspector position would be revenue neutral. A half-time position will be funded by CDBG. The Justice Court alternative sentencing program of \$46,980 will be paid from the \$20 per month supervision fee assessed by the Justice Court. An augmentation would be required in the worst case. The Jail Park's \$12,000 would come from the facility. The associate engineer will be paid from fuel taxes and the administrative part-time clerical at the jail is from Capital Facilities. The Sheriff's microfilmer will be paid from increased fees. Discussion indicated the Boys and Girls Club would be considered later in the process. The \$5,000 for Public Works overtime could be handled by transferring funds saved within the Building Department. Ms. Walker indicated that the five positions for the Sheriff's Office had been mitigated for this fiscal year with the exception of \$53,000. She had taken this amount from this year's contingency fund due to savings accrued. Next year a commitment will be needed from the Board to fund the positions. She also explained that the City did not owe the amount indicated under the Public Health Nurse agreement with the State Health Department. The contract must be renegotiated. The present contract is \$50,000. Clarification by Mr. Berkich indicated the Fire Inspector and Administrative Assistant package would be revenue neutral.

(1-0542.5) Mayor Teixeira then requested comments from the Board on the CIP budget. Supervisor Tatro explained his original request to reduce the funding for the Sierra Room sound system. Mayor Teixeira requested that the communication study be removed from the CIP budget and placed in the one-shot funding. This would give the Board \$252,000. Mayor Teixeira then moved to move the communication study into the one-shot funding list. Motion died for lack of a second.

Supervisor Tatro then moved that the Board remove the \$20,000 for the communication study and place it on the one-shot list. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Mayor Teixeira indicated that this action gave the Board \$252,500 in one-shot funding and \$202,000 in on-going.

Supervisor Tatro then questioned the Community Service items which were placed under the on-going funding list. There are also a number of positions on this list. He recommended the Community Service items be consider a "block". Mayor Teixeira indicated that this amounts to \$52,400 and supported the recommendation. Supervisor Bennett supported the Community Service block as an on-going item, the Community Service coordinator position, and the GIS position. If the entire Community Service block cannot be funded at this time, she urged the Board to maintain a portion in on-going and perhaps have the remainder in one-shot for this year only, e.g., Nevada Day Committee. Supervisor Smith supported her recommendation and cautioned the Board that the future available funding levels may not be able to provide this continuing support and hard decisions may be required to determine whether to fund Community Services or a needed position elsewhere. Also, Community Service requests may not be submitted annually or become stabilized enough to not need this funding. Supervisor Ayres indicated that it is true that the City has a growing need for additional staff, however, without the Community Service programs additional positions would be needed. She agreed that it is difficult to seeking funding annually. She pointed out the difficulty encountered in determining who should and should not benefit from the on-going program. She supported Mayor Teixeira's recommendation to fund the programs on an on-going basis. Mayor Teixeira explained his reasons for the recommendation and pointed out the Board's ability to continue/discontinue supporting these programs as it may be necessary during lean years to re-evaluate the funding. He then explained the policy to have each Board member list his/her top three priorities. Any item obtaining three votes is placed in the budget. (1-0704.5) Occasionally reasons were given by the Board member for his/her selection. Using this process and beginning with the on-going funding the following items were selected: \$10,000 for the utilities at the Boys and Girls Club and other Community Services located at the former Children's Home site; \$5,373 for the Alternative Sentencing Program which makes Claudia Saavedra a full-time City employee under a joint funding agreement with the School District; \$52,400 for the Community Services which includes \$16,500 - CCOY, \$7,000 - Advocates, \$4,000 - Brewery Arts, \$7,000 - Carson Detox, \$5,000 - Community Counseling Center, \$400 - Nevada Day, \$5,000 - Hispanic Services, and \$7,500 - RSVP; Deputy District Attorney for the Criminal Division; half-time Juvenile Probation/Court secretarial position; GIS Coordinator; Sheriff's Office service technician; and half-time Community Development Compliance Officer.

**BREAK:** An eight minute recess was taken at 7 p.m. When the meeting reconvened, the entire Board was present constituting a quorum.

(1-0940.5) Ms. Walker indicated there is \$241,000 in one-shot funding available. Mayor Teixeira listed several items which he felt should be funded. Clarification indicated the \$5,000 for the Clerk's microfilm operator was not needed and that any employees hired with one-shot funding were to be retained under a contract for the one year only. They are not full-time employees. Discussion explained this procedure. The Board then used the on-going allocations process to select the following items for one-shot funding: \$30,000 - transit; youth services librarian; \$16,677 - Public Health Nurse; \$9,280 - alcohol and drug abuse testing; \$11,039 - Sheriff's Office/Clerk's microfilmer; \$17,000 - fire training; \$29,301 - Intake Officer; (1-1402.5) \$17,400 - Parks sessional employees; \$4,306 - Pony Express Pavilion part-time seasonal employee; urban forester; \$2,000 - Highway 50 beautification; half-time senior secretary for Community Development; \$20,000 - Downtown beautification maintenance worker; \$10,000 - CATF; \$15,000 - library books; \$2,500 - Women's Resource Center; \$3,500 Recreation survey; and \$5,000 - Tahoe Conservation District. This left approximately \$3,000 in one-shot funds.

(1-1315) Discussion included a potential funding source for the City Hall facade. Mayor Teixeira indicated that if

the facade does not receive the appropriate votes, Mr. Berkich could bring it back as part of the bonding package. (1-1758.5) Mayor Teixeira clarified this direction for Ms. Walker.

(1-1650.5) Mayor Teixeira and Sheriff Banister discussed the funding allocated for new vehicles and the ability to upgrade a "low mileage vehicle" if \$4,5000 is provided for painting. This would place \$20,000 back in one-shot funding. Mayor Teixeira recommended using these funds for the Children's Museum - \$20,000 - and the balance of the one-shot funding for the Carson River Master Plan. Mayor Teixeira thanked Sheriff Banister for his offer.

(1-1885.5) No formal action was taken. Mayor Teixeira directed staff to prepare the final documents as indicated. Final approval will be considered on May 30th at noon. Discussion indicated there would be a special meeting on May 23rd at noon to award the contract for the tennis courts. Unless the contract is awarded at this time, the courts will not be ready for the Silver State games. Supervisor Bennett indicated she may not be able to make this meeting. Supervisors Smith and Ayres and Mayor Teixeira indicated they could attend. Supervisor Tatro was unsure if he could attend.

**F. TRI-COUNTY RAILWAY FISCAL YEAR 96-97 FINAL BUDGET (1-1725.5)** - Western Nevada Development District Executive Director Marylou Bently briefly explained the reason for bringing the Tri-County Railway Budget to the Board. Discussion indicated this budget would be approved on May 30th also, therefore, no action was taken.

**E. CARSON CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FISCAL YEAR 96-97 FINAL BUDGET (1-1761.5)** - Ms. Walker reviewed the budget including the mission statement and the special events. Discussion noted the improvements which had been made as a result of the program and its incentives.

There being no other matters for consideration Supervisor Ayres moved to adjourn. Mayor Teixeira seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and Mayor Teixeira adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

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.

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Alan Glover, Clerk-Recorder