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reviewed the budget documents and responded to Board questions regarding (1-117) will Sierra Forest Fire Protection District become a "first responder" in the area west of the Community College; is the ten cent ad valorem tax today generating more revenue than the eleven cent ad valorem tax in 1992-93; does the amount of the ad valorem tax affect the ability to qualify for SECRT funds; what communities are served by Fire Station #4; (1-0255) if money is set aside during off-years for elections; the purging of voter registration rolls; the new voter registration requirements; if guidelines have been established for the new voter registration system; how much of the work involved in voter registration will be automated; the rationale for the new registration system; if Elections has what it needs to conduct the 1994 elections; if additional PC's for Elections were included in Capital Projects; if many people were being hired through the alternative sentencing program; (1-8880) is the requested Court Clerk position part- or full-time; the hourly rate for the Court Clerk position; the reason why the Court Clerk request was not included with Records Management; the cost of the Jury Management System; the increase in the power budget for the Courthouse; (1-1239) is the position in the Marriage Bureau full- or part-time; when the elimination of the position takes place; what the monthly cost of the position is; if the Marriage Bureau position could be filled by a contract employee for the July-October period; (1-1490) where the revenue from marriage license copies was reflected in the budget; (1-1149) the amount spent over revenues at the Wildlife Center; how long the Wildlife Center has been open; what the options are regarding the Wildlife Center; the exact amount of money needed to keep the Wildlife Center open; if a tally is kept of the number of out-of-area people visiting the Center; has advertising of the Center been done in motels, tour packages, etc.; clarification of the number of employees required at the Center by Federal Regulation; clarification on pending legislation pertaining to fences surrounding zoos and wildlife centers; what the plans for the Center were for the rest of this fiscal year; (2-1836) who responded to the recent hazardous spill; who had the authority to say the spill was mitigated; how much hazardous material goes through Carson City every day; the number of off-duty fire personnel who respond to a call back; who was currently doing repair and maintenance of the City's fire engines and ambulances; whether or not the City maintenance people are qualified to work on Fire Department equipment; if the service from vehicle maintenance people were to improve, would that help the Fire Department; (2-2757) the current cost to be transported by ambulance; are the City ambulances used to transport to areas outside Carson City and, if so, the current charge; if the ambulance to be purchased is a replacement or addition to the fleet; where the personnel to run the additional ambulance is coming from; (3-0144) the charge for having an ambulance on stand-by; is the EMT training for Warren Company approved; (3-0614) is the Airport Authority funded from fuel tax, leases and personal property tax on planes owned in Carson City; if a plane is owned by someone in Reno but based in Carson City, where does the tax go; does the State pay tax on its planes housed at the airport; are there tie-down fees for planes that do not remain overnight.

(1-0561) Mayor Teixeira thought the additional position requested by Elections might be contracted out. (1-1299) Mayor Teixeira asked that the Board consider \$6300 in "one-shot monies" be allocated to fund the Marriage Bureau position from July 1 to September 30. Victoria Chapel owner/operator Don Summo complimented Mrs. Smith on the great job she was doing. He asked the Board to continue to have the Marriage Bureau open seven days a week. Victoria Chapel employee Ken Haskins asked if the Bureau cannot be kept open seven days a week, that it be open Wednesday through Sunday, since the busiest time for marriages is on the weekends. Ms. McLaughlin will need direction from the Board should the Recording Secretaries be required to fill in at the Marriage Bureau. A five-minute recess was declared at 7:05 p.m. When the meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m. a quorum was present although Supervisor Bennett was absent as previously noted. (1-2080) Supervisor Smith said he had high hopes of the Wildlife Center becoming self-sufficient quickly but could, in fact, the opposite happen. (1-2355) Supervisor Ayres receives many phone calls concerning the Wildlife Center. Supervisor Ayres felt if the Center were marketed more thoroughly the number of people visiting it would increase greatly. (1-2567) President of the Great Basin Wildlife Foundation Jim Diehl reported statistics regarding the number of days the Center has been open and the revenue generated. He asked the Supervisors to consider the emotional impact the closing of the Center would have on children of all ages. If the Center is kept open, there will still be at least some revenue coming in. Mayor Teixeira remarked the Board has to seriously look at whether it can afford to fund things such as the Wildlife Center. He felt if the community really wants the facility, they have to understand there will be a

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cost associated with having it in the way of a tax increase - health, safety and welfare have first priority. Mayor Teixeira decided to agendize the Great Basin Wildlife Center for a future meeting to discuss and take possible action on the various options available including "one-shot funding" to keep the Center open with contract employees and the possibility of a ballot question asking voters if they would be willing to incur a tax increase in order to keep it open. (2-1545) Supervisor Smith requested one Fire Prevention Inspector be put on the "wish list". (2-2458) An internal survey is being conducted of all the user departments within the City. Working with Washoe County or the Forestry Division to repair fire equipment was discussed. Supervisor Ayres felt the problems the Fire Department is having with vehicle maintenance could be a symptom of a bigger problem. She feels the position belongs in a vehicle maintenance department. Mayor Teixeira remarked upon the fact that the subsidy for ambulance services continues to be reduced, which is a very positive factor in the Fire Department's budget. (3-0382) Mayor Teixeira feels the Warren Company and Sheriff's Reserve do not get the recognition they deserve. Mayor Teixeira complemented Chief Buckley on a very professional and succinct budget. (2-1303) A five-minute recess was declared at 8:18 p.m. When the meeting reconvened at 8:23 p.m. a quorum was present although Supervisor Bennett was absent as previously noted.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE WORKSHOP (2-0286) - City Manager John Berkich, Assistant Sheriff Denis Austin, Larry Beller - The Unclassified Employee Compensation Plan Summary Draft was reviewed and an explanation given as to how it was developed. A lengthy discussion took place and questions were answered regarding the fact that the Ralph Anderson study only included public employees; clarification about under what circumstances an employee would or would not receive a COLA; unclassified employees and what happens when they reach the top of their pay range. (2-0996) Supervisor Smith thought the document was a step in the right direction. Mayor Teixeira would like to see all the employee groups working under the same agreement, though he realizes this may never happen. (2-1109) Supervisor Ayres was pleased with the work of the Committee and thinks they are on the right track, especially with the Performance Review Worksheet. Mayor Teixeira asked each Supervisor to write a critique, on an individual basis, of what they see as all the positive and negative aspects of the draft. The critiques are to be given to the City Manager who will pass them on to the Committee.

There being no other matters for discussion, Supervisor Ayres moved to adjourn. Supervisor Tatro seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0. Mayor Teixeira adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

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ARE SO APPROVED ON \_\_\_\_\_ June 6 \_\_\_\_\_, 1994

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Marv Teixeira, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kiyoshi Nishikawa, Clerk-Recorder