## CARSON CITY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND CARSON CITY GROWTH MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL NOVEMBER 25, 1996 WORKSHOP

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A special workshop was held by the Carson City Regional Planning Commission and the Carson City Growth Management Commission on Monday, November 25, 1996 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William St., Carson City, NV at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Alan Rogers, Chairperson

William Mally

Archie Pozzi, Jr. Richard Wipfli

**STAFF:** Walter Sullivan, Community Development Director

Sandra Danforth, Senior Planner Fran Smith, Recording Secretary (PCGM 11/25/96 1-0000.5)

**NOTE** - Unless otherwise indicated each item was introduced by Commissioner Pozzi. 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. ROLL CALL** - Commissioner Mally, being the oldest Commissioner in terms of service noted that Chairperson Rogers was not yet present (arrived at 6:10 p.m.) and called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was not present as Commissioners Christianson, Horton, and Uhart were absent.

Those present then recited the pledge of allegiance.

- **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** None.
- **C. PUBLIC COMMENT** None.
- D. WORKSHOP
- 2. PRESENTATION FROM DR. DEAN JUDSON, PhD, STATE DEMOGRAPHER, REGARDING POPULATION PROJECTS FOR CARSON CITY (1-0025.5) Commissioner Pozzi reported that Dr. Judson would not be present at this workshop.
- 1. PRESENTATION FROM SUSAN MARTINAVICH, PE., OF NEVADA DOT REGARDING NDOT PROJECTS AND REPORTS CONCERNING CARSON CITY (1-0029.5) Mr. Sullivan said Ms. Martinavich was unable to be present and that Mr. Michael Lawson, Traffic Information Service Manager for NDOT, would be taking her place.
- (1-0051.5) Mr. Sullivan noted there are questions that keep coming up and one was the traffic on Carson Street and the other is the bypass. He asked that Mr. Lawson provide information on the acquisition program, the design and construction program, etc.

Chairperson Rogers arrived at this point and Commissioner Pozzi passed the gavel to him. A quorum was now present.

(1-0069.5) Mr. Lawson started by saying there are approximately 30,000 cars on Carson Street each day in the northern part of the City and this increases to about 40,000 starting at US 50 going south and the highest volume is south of Stewart Street at 41,000 per day. He noted that in the southern external portions the figure is 28,000. He reported that traffic has grown by about three percent per year over the past two years. He also said the periods of congestion are typically the morning and evening commute peak hours and there is also an inordinate amount of traffic during the lunch hour which appears to be local. He commented that future traffic projections are not yet available but should be shortly.

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- (1-0085.5) Mr. Lawson then said they are proposing to construct the first phase of the bypass and that the design is proceeding at this point. He noted this would take them from the northern part of Highway 395 to US 50. He then stated that the second phase is included in the long range plan and is scheduled for construction starting in approximately 2006. He noted that the immediate relief for Carson City is minimal with the northern construction and they do not anticipate it will relieve any of the congestion along the business corridor nor will it do anything for the southern portion. He commented that the current philosophy is that the only way to proceed with the full project is to build it incrementally. He noted that construction of the first phase is scheduled to begin in 1998 and it is anticipated to take approximately two years.
- (1-0110.5) Mr. Sullivan asked about the traffic on Highway 50. Mr. Lawson said it is 20,000 per day but as you get closer to the William Street corridor it increases to 30,000.
- (1-0125.5) Commissioner Pozzi pointed out there are many traffic lights on McCarren Boulevard in Reno and asked if that would be the case here. Mr. Lawson said no and that there would be full control of access and mentioned interchange points.
- (1-0157.5) Public Works Director Jay Aldean commented that at a previous session one of the scenarios was that the northern section of the freeway would come down to College Parkway and there would be a light at that point. He also noted what Mr. Lawson was saying was that there would be a full freeway standard starting at the Highway 395/Arrowhead area going down to Highway 50 but there will be no interchange built at Highway 50 because it will come in with the southern leg. Mr. Lawson was asked if any consideration had been given to taking it to Fairview to get rid of the downtown traffic. Mr. Lawson explained there had been a lot of consideration but there were a number of problems, funding in particular, and the impact it would have on traffic flow on Fairview. He added they have looked at the project from any way that can be imagined and had come up with what they feel is doable at this point in time. Mr. Aldean provided details on the funding and bonding processes. Discussion ensued and included the cost estimates that have been made.
- (1-0358.5) Chairperson Rogers reported he had been given information from the Federal Highway Administration on land uses and provided details. An extensive discussion ensued on what type of zoning and development is anticipated in areas adjacent to the bypass, property values, and how the Master Plan would be used.
- (1-0514.5) Mike Drews asked if there are any plans to upgrade Fairview and Mr. Lawson said he was not aware of any. Mr. Aldean commented that a Master Plan for highways and streets will probably take place next year.
- (1-0571.5) At this point Chairperson Rogers said the next meeting would be December 11 and that the developers, contractors, and builders will be the subject. He noted that the meeting after that will concern economic and financial issues as they relate to retail and commercial businesses.
- (1-0593.5) He also emphasized the need to establish goals and objectives in the ordinance that has been discussed. He asked the Commissioners to think about this and give their input to Mr. Sullivan.

## E. NON-ACTION ITEMS

- **1. Commissioner Comments** None.
- 2. Staff Comments None.
- **F. ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business Chairperson Rogers entertained a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Wipfli moved to adjourn. Commissioner Pozzi seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Chairperson Rogers adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

The Minutes of the November 25, 1996 special workshop of the Carson City Regional Planning Commission and the Carson City Growth Management Commission

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ARE SO APPROVED	, 1997
Alan Rogers, Chairperson	