

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: January 6, 2012

Agenda Date Requested: January 19, 2012

Time Requested: 10 Minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: Action to approve a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission designating the Seely Loop in Mills Park as the permanent location for the 9/11 World Trade Center Memorial. (Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Director, and Jim Shirk)

Staff Summary: Mr. Jim Shirk met with the Parks and Recreation Commission during the Commission's December 6, 2011, meeting seeking a recommendation for a permanent location for the 9/11 World Trade Center. The Commission selected the lawn area on the Seely Loop north of the Firemen's Memorial in Mills Park as the preferred site. This recommendation is being forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

- Resolution Ordinance
 Formal Action/Motion Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve a recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Commission designating the Seely Loop in Mills Park as the permanent location for the 9/11 World Trade Center Memorial.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Mr. Shirk was instrumental in securing a relic I-beam from the World Trade Center from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey for a memorial for the 9/11 World Trade Center terrorist attack. A temporary memorial was developed on the east end of Mills Park near the Pony Express Pavilion in time for the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.

Mr. Shirk and an informal committee consisting of Mayor Bob Crowell, Supervisor Shelly Aldean, Sheriff Kenny Furlong, and Fire Chief Stacey Giomi have been searching for a permanent site for the memorial. It has been this committee's goal to include public input into both selecting a permanent site for the memorial and in determining the design for the memorial. Mr. Shirk met with the Parks and Recreation Commission during the Commission's December 6, 2011, meeting seeking a recommendation for a permanent location for the 9/11 World Trade Center. Four sites were considered as a permanent memorial site including, 1) The present site in Mills Park, 2) The preferred site on the lawn on the Seely Loop north of the Firemen's Memorial in Mills Park, 3) The southeast corner of Roop and William streets near the north end of the new Community Center parking lot, and 4) A site directly in front of the Community Center between the two trees in the lawn. The Commission felt strongly that the two sites near the Community Center were inappropriate due to traffic noise and visual obstructions (power poles and lines and the Community Center's reader board). The Commission felt that the Seely Loop site was superior in that it provides a serene, reflective and contemplative location, and that the close proximity to the Firemen's Memorial was appropriate.

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: Carson City Charter; Section 2.140

Fiscal Impact: N/A

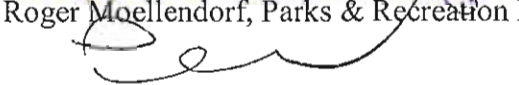
Explanation of Impact: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

Alternatives: 1) Select another site. 2) Reject the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation and direct them to reconsider other sites.

Supporting Material: Photographs of the four sites.

Prepared By:  Date: 1/10/12
Roger Moellendorf, Parks & Recreation Director

Reviewed By:  Date: 1/18/12
Lawrence A. Werner, City Manager

 Date: 1/19/12
District Attorney's Office

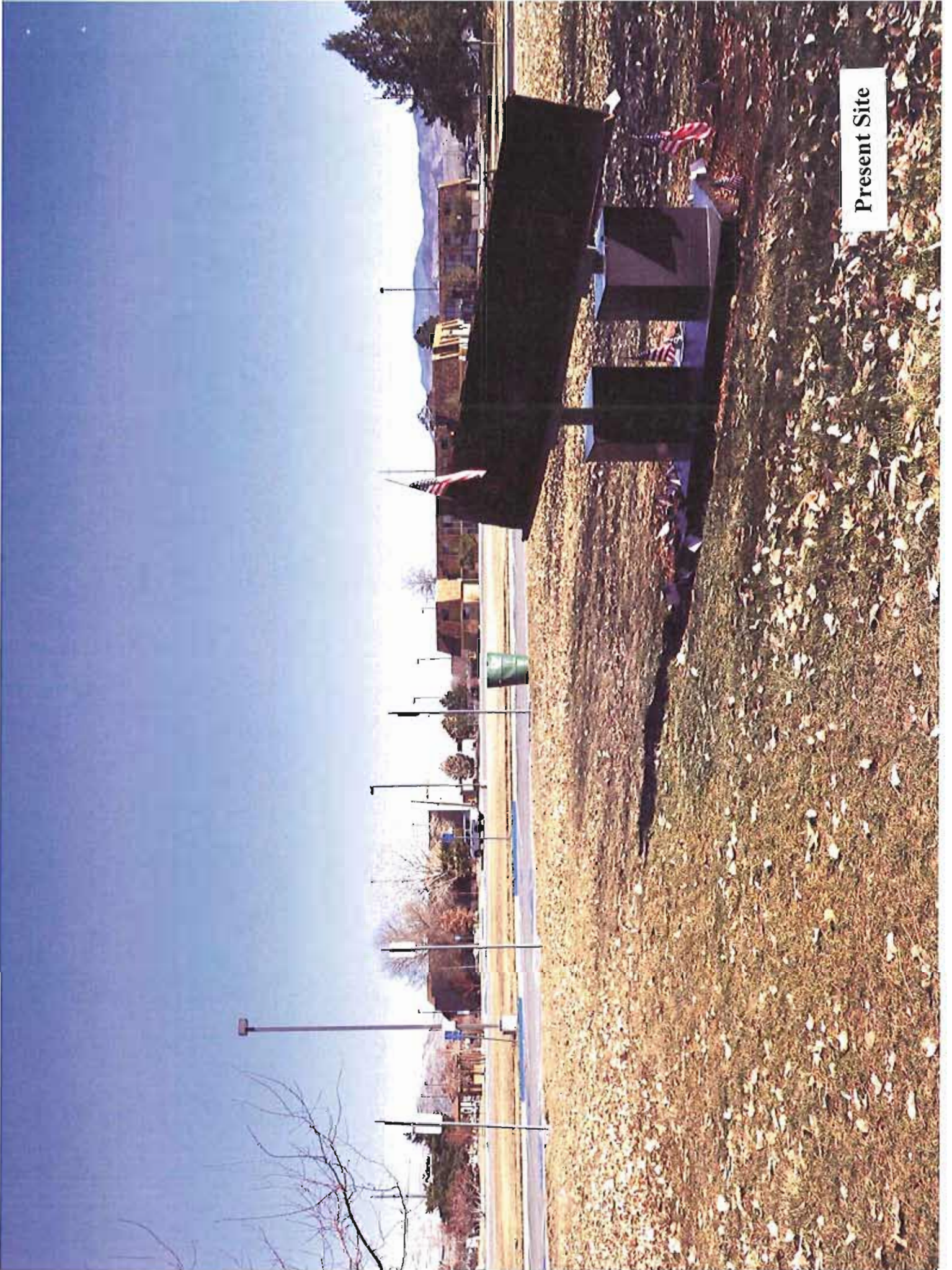
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Finance Department

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____ 1: _____ Aye/Nay

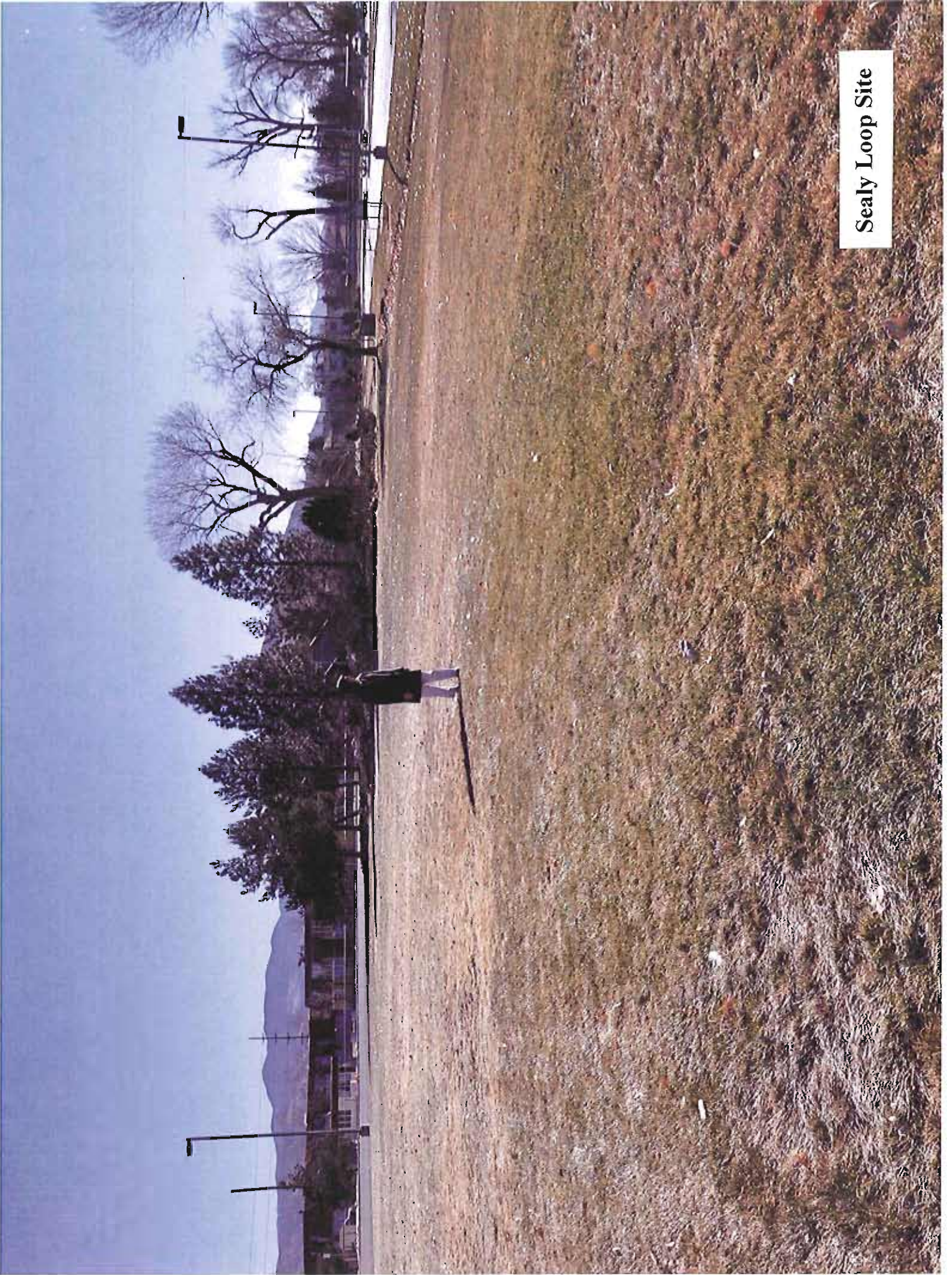
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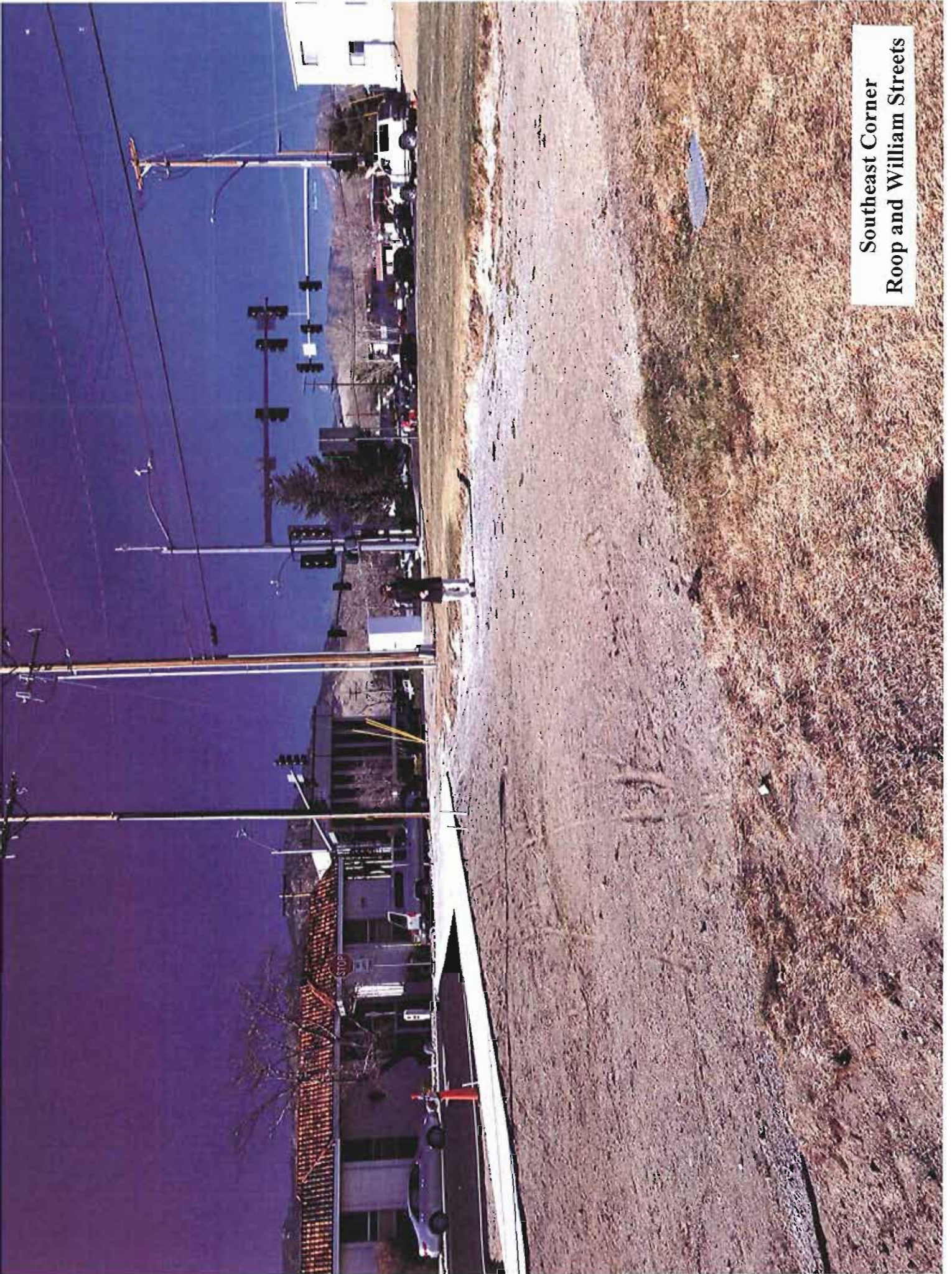
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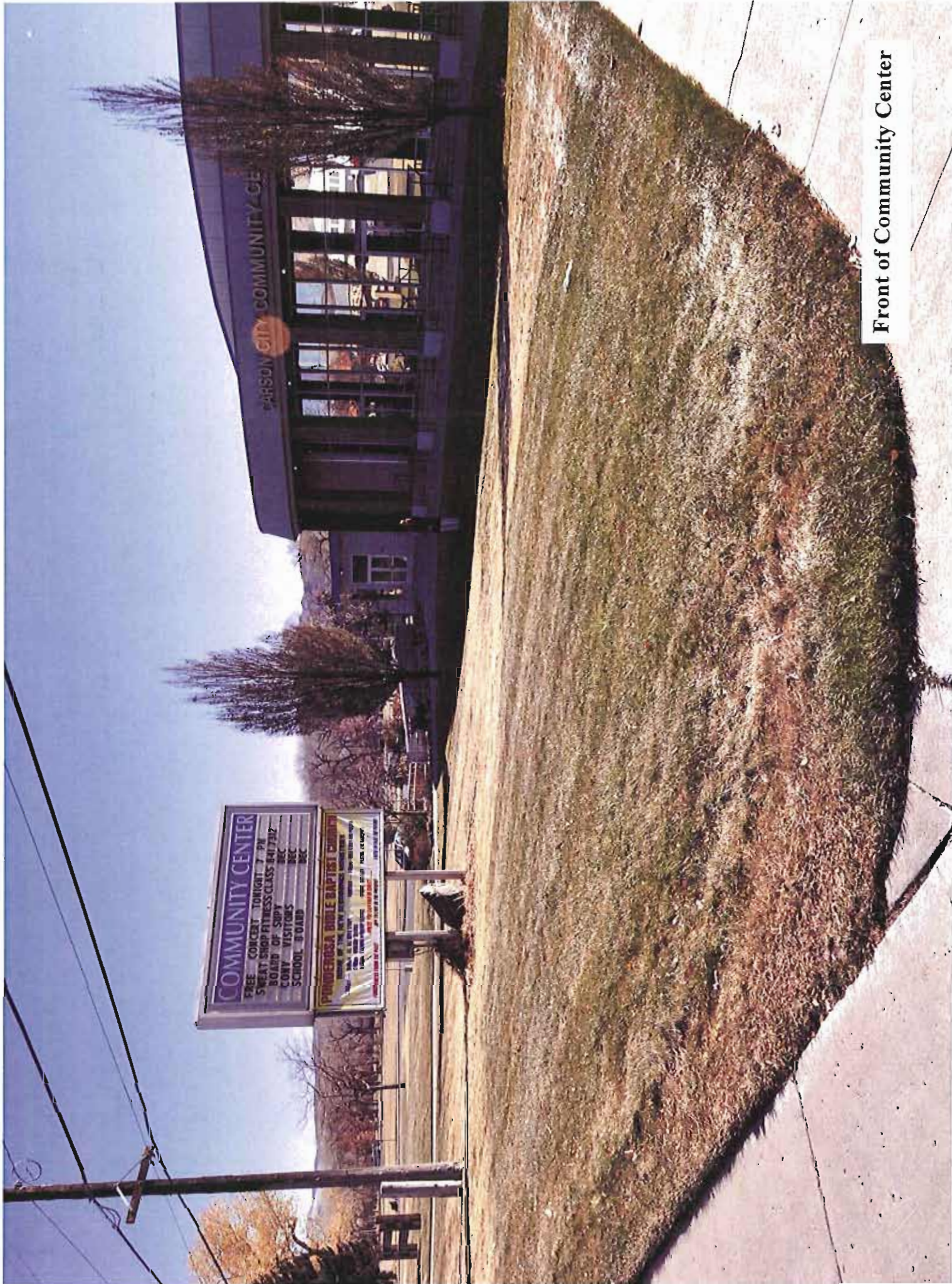
Present Site

Sealy Loop Site





**Southeast Corner
Roop and William Streets**



Front of Community Center