

**CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

May 2, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: 4:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Michael L. Montandon
Councilwoman Stephanie S. Smith
Councilwoman Shari Buck
Councilman Robert L. Eliason

EXCUSED

Mayor Pro Tempore William E. Robinson

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Gregory Rose
Assistant City Manager Sam Chambers
Assistant City Manager Maryann Ustick
City Attorney Carie Torrence
City Clerk Karen Storms
Economic Development Director Mike Majewski
Fire Chief Al Gillespie
Parks and Recreation Director Mike Henley
Planning and Zoning Manager Marc Jordan
Chief Deputy City Clerk Anita Sheldon

VERIFICATION: Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk

BUSINESS:

1. PRESENTATION BY CLARION, DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING AN UPDATE TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE (TITLE 17).

City Manager Gregory Rose explained that recently the City Council approved an update to the Master Plan and this was the follow up project led by Clarion to update the zoning ordinance.

Chris Duerksen, Managing Director of Clarion Associates, along with Amy Kacala explained there were three main goals; to implement the 2006 Comprehensive Master Plan, address the problem areas to make the Code more effective and to make the Code more user-friendly and graphic. (Power failure at approximately 4:40 p.m. and tape resumed at 4:45 p.m.) He explained how the public would be involved. The people involved would be elected and appointed officials, Planning Commission, Focus Group (Planning Commissioners, citizens at-large, developers and attorneys) Staff and the general public.

There would be a six-step process which included interim residential design incentive regulations for the R-1/R-2 and the mixed-use zones; project start-up; diagnosis which would present the key issues and potential solutions which would be brought back to Council in early August for guidance; draft zoning ordinance in three modules; administrative procedures and authorities, zone districts and development standards. Once completed, a draft would be presented for review and approval. A Visually Interactive Code would then be created for the website.

Mayor Montandon explained that several changes were made to the Code that moved the workload around within the City and shifted some of the work from the City Council to the Planning Commission. Mayor Montandon wanted to be reassured that Staff, Planning Commission and City Manager would be involved to say what was appropriate to be approved at Staff level and what needed to come before the City Council. He explained he noticed there was a conflict with what was defined as quality of life and the zoning code.

Councilwoman Smith explained that what was needed were for roads to be developed and to consider road width with landscape buffers for safety.

ACTION: PRESENTATION MADE; STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD

PUBLIC FORUM

Scott Sauer, 5629 Midnight Breeze Street, North Las Vegas, thanked the City Council for placing him on the committee to update the zoning ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:10 P.M.

MOTION: Mayor Montandon

SECOND: Councilman Eliason

AYES: Mayor Montandon, Council Members Smith, Buck and Eliason

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tempore Robinson

ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED: June 6, 2007

Mayor Michael L. Montandon

ATTEST:

Karen L. Storms, CMC
City Clerk