

CARSON CITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, December 15, 1998 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 E. William St., Carson City, NV at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Vice Chairperson Larry Osborne
Cheryl Adams
Julie Butler
Glen Martel
Jon Plank
John Simms
Charles Wright

STAFF: Steve Kastens, Parks and Recreation Director
Vern Krahn, Park Planner
Fran Smith, Recording Secretary
(PR 12/15/98 1-0000.5)

NOTE - Unless otherwise indicated each item was introduced by Vice Chairperson Osborne. 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. CALL TO ORDER - Vice Chairperson Osborne called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present although Chairperson Kennedy and Commissioner Elverum were absent.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 17, 1998 - Commissioner Plank said he had questioned the wording on Page 2, last paragraph, relating to the proposed Ronald Wilson Park. The secretary had researched this and provided the Commission with a replacement set of Minutes which included basically a verbatim of his remarks. Vice Chairperson Osborne said he would like to stay with the original Minutes and perhaps include in the motion a change in the paragraph. Commissioner Plank explained what he had meant was how could the Commission approve the park but not approve the corridor from Northgate to the park. He added the response had been that the corridor could be excluded and the area could be landscaped off to protect it from invasion from the park. Commissioner Plank moved that the language in the last paragraph on Page 2 of the November 17 meeting Minutes be changed to what was corrected by the secretary and submitted at this meeting. Commissioner Martel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0.

Commissioner Plank moved to approve the Minutes of the October 20, 1998 meeting. Commissioner Martel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0.

Commissioner Plank moved to approve the Minutes of the November 5, 1998 meeting. Commissioner Martel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MASTER PLAN FOR THE RIFLE AND PISTOL RANGE - (1-0109.5) Robert Crogan, Chairperson of the Range Management Committee - Mr. Krahn had a drawing of the Master Plan for the facility. He said the Silver Sage Pistol Club and the Carson Rifle and Pistol Club have been working with staff and the consultant, O'Brien Engineering, to develop the Master Plan. He added that the contract with O'Brien included a water feasibility study and construction documents for safety and grading improvements. He also commented that staff has cost estimates on the water feasibility study and said they would not discuss them at this meeting but rather would agendize a discussion on it for a later meeting. He then visually pointed out the locations of the shooting shelters, a currently undeveloped pistol range, a caretaker's residence, a group use area including picnic shelters and grass, overflow parking, a service center which

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would include classrooms and restrooms and a range master platform. He commented that the secondary shooting range is being developed into specialized shooting bays and that there would be drainage improvements along the road. He also talked about a hunter safety training area. Vice Chairperson Osborne asked for details on the retail part of the service center. Mr. Krahn said it would only be for selling merchandise such as ammo supplies and targets that would be used on the range. Mr. Crogan elaborated by saying it emulates that which Washoe County uses and is basically a small facility which would sell those items Mr. Krahn talked about and would not be in competition with other stores.

(1-0235.5) Commissioner Simms asked if the access road would be improved. Mr. Kastens said at this point the City would continue to maintain the road as best they can as far as grading but there would not be any paving. However, he commented staff has been getting support from Public Works in that they have been able to utilize the grindings from some of the roadway projects and that approximately 1/4 mile has been covered with them. Vice Chairperson Osborne talked about the need to get permission from the neighboring property owner to complete the traffic barrier and asked if there are negotiations taking place. Mr. Krahn said the only reason that was indicated is that the City cannot arbitrarily go on somebody else's property to complete the barrier. He added if the owner does not want the City to go on his property there are other ways to block the traffic and explained. Commissioner Wright moved to approve the Master Plan as presented by staff for the Carson City Rifle and Pistol Range. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0.

2. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF USING QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDS (TRAILS AND BIKE PATH ACCOUNT) FOR PARTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF CARSON RIVER PARK

- (1-0293.5) Dave Simpson - Mr. Kastens said after the Commission reviewed and approved the park plan it went to the Board of Supervisors who had also approved it. He added in the meantime CRAC started implementation of the project and that it is their top priority. He commented their first order of business is to try and identify any and all available funding. He explained the reason is that they do not have all the funding they need and are considering phasing the development. He referred to the staff report and said staff and CRAC had determined there are three basic funding sources. One is RCT, the second is CIP and the third is Quality of Life. However, he said CRAC has some funding under Quality of Life and the potential use of Trails and Bike Paths funding is an option. He then commented that staff had determined the Quality of Life funding would be appropriate for use on this project. Staff had provided three exhibits which outlined the probable costs for segments of Phase 1 and reviewed the figures as developed by Stantech in detail. Mr. Kastens then commented that CRAC would like the support of the Commission to pursue utilizing that funding source. Commissioner Simms asked about the impact on the bike and trails plan. Mr. Kastens referred to Exhibit C and explained the allocation staff was proposing. Commissioner Simms asked if there are any plans for spending any bike and trails monies for any other projects. Mr. Kastens said no and explained.

(1-0435.5) Mr. Simpson said he had worked on the trails and bike plan and asked the Commission to give serious thought to diverting money from the plan to the projects they were discussing. He felt the trails and paths should connect parks and make them accessible to bicycles and walking. He opposed diverting the funding unless it can be shown that the trails and paths would continue on and be throughways. Vice Chairperson Osborne asked if there are any bike and path projects that would be impacted this fiscal year. Mr. Kastens said they were talking about \$29,000 out of the original \$500,000 designated for trails/bike paths and emphasized "trails". He added in the past the Eagle Valley Rim Trail plan had been adopted and that the Carson River Park plays a key role in it. He then explained how this would work and also how grants are involved. Vice Chairperson Osborne thanked Mr. Simpson for his input and expressed his belief that staff would be happy to work with him to resolve some of the issues. Mr. Krahn then talked about how Mr. Simpson had attended the workshop meetings and had worked hard to get the bike and trails plan developed. Commissioner Martel moved that the Parks and Recreation Commission recommend approval of the funding of the Carson River Park as outlined in staff's presentation and the allocation of the Quality of Life Trails and Bike Path fund. Commissioner Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

1. Future Agenda Items from Commission Members - (1-0715.5) Vice Chairperson Osborne said

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he would like to agendize an item at the first January meeting to discuss Commission meeting times and dates.

Commissioner Wright asked about the annual discussion on the fees and Mr. Kastens said that would be agendized for January.

Commissioner Adams asked for a review of user agreements and Mr. Kastens again said he would agendize that.

2. Comments from Commission Members - Vice Chairperson Osborne commented that the secretary would be retiring, thanked her for her service, and wished her well.

3. Status Reports from Commission Members - Vice Chairperson Osborne asked how the work on the Master Plan for the Community Center was coming. Mr. Kastens said Commissioners Plank and Simms are working on it and making progress.

Commissioner Butler said this would probably be her last meeting because the School Board is going to appoint somebody else in January.

4. Comment and Status Reports from Staff - Mr. Krahn said CRAC is working with BLM to rename the BLM-Carson City joint access area. He added they have some names suggested by the public and that their plan is to select a name and forward it to this Commission for their comments.

Mr. Krahn then commented that, based on the motion made by the Commission on Ronald D. Wilson Memorial Park Master Plan presented recently, staff had made a formal request to NDOT for access and are waiting for a response.

5. Status Report on Question #18, Residential Construction Tax and Capital Improvement - Mr. Kastens said they should be breaking ground on the new aquatic facility next week.

There being no further business Commissioner Wright moved to adjourn. Commissioner Simms seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0-2-0. Vice Chairperson Osborne adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Minutes of the December 15, 1998 meeting of the Carson City Parks and Recreation Commission

ARE SO APPROVED _____, 1999

Robert Kennedy, Chairperson