

CARSON CITY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission Meeting held Wednesday, July 15, 1987 at the Northgate Complex, 2621 Northgate Lane, Suite 4, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Marilee Chirila, Harriet Schaller

ABSENT: Chairman Tom Fetic

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Barker, Street Superintendent
Dan O'Brien, Public Works Director
Bob Auer, Deputy District Attorney
Darlene Cain, Recording Secretary

Member Schaller called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m., and a quorum was present.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Chirila moved for APPROVAL of the Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission Meeting of June 17, 1987, seconded by Member Schaller, and PASSED 2-0.

3. REVIEW AND DIRECTION FROM THE COMMISSION ON THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ON THE EVALUATION OF SIGNAL TIMING

Mr. Bill Barker, Street Superintendent, said that only one Company responded to the advertising, Omni-Means, Ltd. from Reno. They readvertised, and still no one else responded. Mr. Barker stated that Mr. Reid Ross, Communications Department, had requested that this item be on next month's agenda, as he was not able to attend this meeting.

2. DISCUSSION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON BEVERLY DRIVE

Mr. Bob Kennedy, on behalf of the Senior Center, stated that they are building a new Senior Center just east of its present location. The Legislature just passed a bill allowing short term financing for ten years. Building can begin as soon as possible.

Beverly Drive, which runs adjacent to the proposed new building, is in need of improvements. Beverly Drive should be paid for in terms of the boundaries and property improvements (curbs and redoing the street) out of RTC funds. They would like to have the improvements completed in 12-14 months.

Mr. Kennedy said that they would like to make a formal request with a conceptual plan showing the integration into the Center site plan and would suggest that the north side of Beverly Drive (Cemetery side) could have permanent parking. The street is exceptionally wide in relationship to what is actually paved. Perhaps the south side of the street could be a no parking area and have curbing. There are about 80 parking spaces built into the plan itself. To have the additional parking available on the other side would be very desirable.

Mr. Kennedy said that the senior transportation program is funded out of State funds for transporting seniors. They would like to provide transportation for the handicapped; however, the State does not want the money to be used for non-seniors. The plan and the program is already in place. He asked if the Commission would consider giving them \$5,000 to provide transportation for non-seniors.

Mr. Barker explained that RTC funds are for new construction or reconstruction only. Mr. Kennedy emphasized the number of people in Carson City who just need transportation to go to work.

Member Chirila asked what would happen to the Pavement Management System if Beverly Drive was to become another variable. Where would it be as far as priorities?

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Mr. Dan O'Brien, Public Works Director, said that it would probably be high on the list along with a lot of other streets. He said that we are not tied in to the Pavement Management System in this case, however, because the improvements are required because of the development. Those improvements won't really affect the Pavement Management System.

Member Chirila asked what improvements the City would do. Mr. O'Brien replied that the street could be overlaid with gas tax funds.

Deputy District Attorney Bob Auer stated RTC funds are earmarked for projects, such as a new road (curb, gutter and sidewalk); therefore, a donation for what Mr. Kennedy is requesting would have to come from another source.

Mr. O'Brien said that what might set up a priority for doing all of Beverly would be a mixture of allowing a developer to develop the property and RTC finishing off the street. Right now there are no curbs or gutters anywhere on that block.

Mr. Kennedy explained that when a new City building is constructed, the City pays for the improvements also; this is a City building. Member Schaller said she would like to see the whole block taken care of rather than just a portion of it.

Mr. O'Brien said that bond money has been set aside for this project. Member Chirila asked if the bond money was broken down with a specific amount set aside for improvements to the street when the facility was built. Mr. Kennedy replied no, it was only for the construction of the building.

Mr. O'Brien said that the expenditure of RTC money there would benefit a lot of people. In Fallon, RTC money was spent around the Senior Citizens Center because it would benefit a large number of people. The cemetery visitors would also benefit. He noted that BLM property is in the area. Many problems would be solved by the improvement of Beverly Drive: traffic, dust, parking, and liability problems from seniors trying to walk through the mud and ice, etc.

Mr. Auer and Member Chirila were concerned about the formation of the Senior Citizens Center, how the members were appointed, and if they allocated funds.

Mr. Kennedy explained that the Kiwanis Club became the governing body for the Senior Center. The State Aging Services Department requires that there be a governing body for any senior center. Approximately 12-15 years ago, the Senior Center was developed for Carson City.

The primary function of a senior center is a nutrition program. The Kiwanis Club hires and, if necessary, fires the director and other employees of the organization. The State came to the Senior Center and asked if they would handle the transportation program.

Mr. Kennedy continued that the citizens of Carson City agreed to allow themselves to be taxed for the purpose of constructing a new Senior Center. The monies were sent to the Senior Center and put in the bank. They were then told that they had no authority to be handling tax monies; it was Carson City's responsibility.

The entity that existed over the years, Carson City Senior Citizens, Incorporated, went to the Board of Supervisors with the request for a body to administer the tax funds and be their representatives. They requested that the former body be it.

Most of the people who had been on the governing board of the Kiwanis Club then became members of that same board. Two other people who sat on an advisory committee to the Senior Center were also appointed to that body, as well as representatives from the Senior Center.

Member Chirila asked when this happened. Mr. Kennedy replied within the last year or year and a half.

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Member Schaller asked what costs were involved. Mr. Kennedy said that they would try to have a cost breakdown available at the September RTC meeting. Mr. O'Brien asked if the data could be reviewed earlier than the day of the meeting. Mr. Kennedy replied that he would get the information to the City as soon as possible.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

The Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission Meeting of July 15, 1987

ARE SO APPROVED ON August 12, 1987.

TOM FETTIC, Chairman