



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 119.

SUBJECT:

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL. NO SUBJECT MAY BE DISCUSSED UNLESS IT IS A SUBJECT ON THE AGENDA AND IS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, COME TO THE PODIUM AND GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE DURATION OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED

Minutes:

DOROTHY BAKER, Las Vegas resident, asked for help with the programs and agencies that continue to harass her.

DANIEL DEEGAN, 1801 Granite Avenue, expressed concern for potential proliferation of billboards. He also did not believe that churches should be able to acquire billboards to alleviate financial strains.

ROCHAND JOSHUA COLLINS appeared on behalf of a friend that he believed was abused by law enforcement officials. He expressed concern for unfair treatment towards the homeless and the harsh conditions in jail facilities. He suggested training law enforcement officials on the homeless situation and possibly have them tour the jail facilities.

GAIL SACKO, a homeless advocate, expressed her disappointment on how the homeless situation has been handled, and in her opinion, past recommendations or suggestions have been ignored. She believed the County, City and State should all be accountable in alleviating homelessness, providing 24-hour shelters and permanent affordable housing. She agreed with MR. COLLINS regarding training law enforcement officials.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN sympathized with MS. SACKO and understands the need to rid homelessness but pointed out that she has yet to see viable plans be submitted by the advocates for the homeless. She believed it would benefit the Council if plans reflected solutions for all types of situations, as all homeless individuals do not fit into one category.

LANCE SUENO appeared with his mother, BETTY. MR. SUENO commented on a past accident he was involved in, his personal injury trial and the unfair treatment he has since experienced. He was displeased at the run around given to him by several agencies and has filed formal complaints. He noted the 14th Amendment and the Nevada Revised Statutes and is seeking protection from what he believes have been criminal acts towards him. It is his firm belief that the entire situation has caused him to endure physical pain from untreated injuries, psychological trauma and deprivation resulting in total financial ruin over the past eight years. MAYOR GOODMAN suggested MR. SUENO could speak with any member of Council after the meeting.

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Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.