



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 59.

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: MARCH 7, 2007**

DEPARTMENT: CITY MANAGERS OFFICE  
DIRECTOR: ELIZABETH FRETWELL

Consent  Discussion

SUBJECT:  
ADMINISTRATIVE:

Discussion and possible action concerning the status of 2007 legislative issues - All Wards

**Fiscal Impact**

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

Staff will report on pending legislation of the 2007 Nevada State Legislature

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council accept the report and direct staff, if necessary

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

None

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve to Accept the Report

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

LARRY BROWN, LOIS TARKANIAN, STEVE WOLFSON, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

CHRIS KNIGHT, Director of Administrative Services, updated the Council on various ongoing legislative issues. Language amending the City Charter in the area of lease purchase agreements has been included in a bill being submitted by an interim advisory group. After working with the Legislative Counsel Bureau, staff drafted tentative language for a BDR regarding off-site improvements/redevelopment authority. Staff is still finalizing the BDR language for the proposed amendments to the City Charter. Several bills regarding eminent domain have been introduced, and the County has taken the lead on the issue, but City staff is working closely with several groups and the County. Language regarding billboards has not yet been introduced.

Senate Bills and Assembly Bills of interest: SB-90 includes language for the City to attain a position on the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security. SB-96 eliminates the government

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services tax. SB-123 deals with public records and would require governmental entities to respond to public records requests within two days. This is a very negative bill for municipalities. SB-139, which City staff requested through the Nevada League of Cities, increases the City's ability to do interlocal agreements with other communities to share revenues and resources up to \$25,000 without having to go through a contractor. SB-149 changes the municipal election cycle to coincide with the Clark County election cycle. SB-153, dealing with C-tax, was introduced by the City of North Las Vegas, and would bring the North Las Vegas library system into the C-tax sharing formula, which would affect the City's revenue stream. AB-138 expands the purpose for which impact fees can be used, particularly for the use of police and fire station development. AB-142 requires public officials required to file a statement of financial disclosure to attend an ethics course within 30 days of taking office. AB-143 would increase the amount of time (from 45 days to one year) that the director of the Ethics Commission is required to complete an investigation of the facts and circumstances on a request for opinion.

MR. KNIGHT assured the Council that staff would remain vigilant to ensure the best interests of the City.

