

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE - PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 27, 2007**

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR: M. MARGO WHEELER

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:

**SDR-23931 - SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW - PUBLIC HEARING -
APPLICANT/OWNER: CITY OF LAS VEGAS - Request to a Site Development Plan
Review FOR A PROPOSED PUBLIC PARK AND PARKING LOT within the Boulder Avenue
Right-of-Way between First Street and Main Street (a portion of APN 159-33-899-003), Ward 3
(Reese)**

C.C.: 11/07/07

PROTESTS RECEIVED BEFORE:

Planning Commission Mtg.

City Council Meeting

APPROVALS RECEIVED BEFORE:

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**RECOMMENDATION:
APPROVAL**

BACKUP DOCUMENTS:

1. Location and Aerial Map
2. Conditions and Staff Report
3. Supporting Documentation
4. Photos
5. Justification Letter
6. Support Postcards
7. Submitted after final agenda - Protest postcards
8. Submitted at meeting - Written comments by Tom McGowan

Motion made by BYRON GOYNES to Approve subject to conditions

Passed For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 1; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1
GLENN TROWBRIDGE, DAVID STEINMAN, LEO DAVENPORT, BYRON GOYNES,
SAM DUNNAM; (Against-None); (Abstain-RICHARD TRUESDELL); (Did Not Vote-None);
(Excused-STEVEN EVANS)

NOTE: COMMISSONER TRUESDELL disclosed that he would be abstaining on Item 43 as he
owns property located within the Arts District but outside of the notice area that would be
financially impacted if the park were successful.

Minutes:

CHAIRMAN DAVENPORT declared the Public Hearing closed.

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CHAIRMAN DAVENPORT declared the Public Hearing open.

FLINN FAGG, Planning and Development Department, stated the proposed park was in compliance with the Downtown Centennial Plan and recommended approval.

EDWARD SYKOWSKI, 2021 South Main Street, appeared in opposition. He indicated that closing off First Street at Boulder Avenue will create numerous safety issues for his trucks. He added that there are many street people who frequent the area which causes additional concern.

DICK GUYER, President of the Las Vegas Arts District Association, appeared in support. He stated that this park would be a precursor of a sculpture garden and anticipated over a million people passing through the area. With the influx of people, he believed the value of the adjacent businesses will greatly increase.

TOM MCGOWAN, Las Vegas resident, expressed his opposition questioning who would benefit from this public park. He listed several questions addressing funding for the park, child safety issues, graffiti, nearby liquor establishments, construction, and maintenance expenditures.

TODD FARLOW, 2400 North 19th Street, appeared in support and stated this park is much needed.

CHAIRMAN DAVENPORT addressed MR. SYKOWSKI'S comments and asked staff for assistance. MS. VENGLASS offered to meet with MR. SYKOWSKI to find a resolution before this item is heard by the City Council.

CHAIRMAN DAVENPORT declared the Public Hearing closed.

