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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2007

DEPARTMENT: CITY MANAGER
DIRECTOR: DOUGLAS A. SELBY

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:
ADMINISTRATIVE:

Report by the General Manager of the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada on projects and activities - All Ward

Fiscal Impact

- No Impact Augmentation Required
 Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Agency for all transportation planning in Southern Nevada. The Commission is a significant contributing funding entity for many roadway projects in the City and it operates the Citizen Area Transit (CAT) bus system and the new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system that will soon service downtown Las Vegas. The general manager of the RTC will be presenting an update on the RTC's various projects and activities that affect the City of Las Vegas.

RECOMMENDATION:

Report only, no action required

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at meeting Hardcopy of PowerPoint Presentation

Minutes:

No motion required. A report was given.

JACOB SNOW, General Manager of the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) of Southern Nevada, gave a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is made a part of the minutes, to report on the progress of transportation, the oncoming ACE downtown connector, expanded routes, the new downtown transit terminal and new bus shelters.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON complimented MR. SNOW on his presentation, and he invited the RTC to make regular presentations to the Council, given that transportation is something the public is very interested in and there are many exciting things happening with it. He was very happy to hear of the grand plan for transportation. Lastly, he asked for an update on the widening of US-95 and the Rainbow curve, as well as any planned public transportation for US-

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95. MR. SNOW indicated that NDOT communicated to him that the widening project and the Rainbow curve should be completed by the end of the year, and there is no reason that schedule should not be met. As far as planned public transportation, he referred to the expanded routes slide and explained that the blue lines represent the northwest high-occupancy lanes that would be added over the next two years. The yellow dots represent the park 'n' ride lots that will be added. These lots will include parking and secure buildings with air conditioning. The expansion will provide direct service to downtown and the airport.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANTIAN thanked MR. SNOW and his staff for addressing the community's needs, specifically, providing shade at bus stops.

MAYOR GOODMAN asked how the bus stops are going to be kept clean. MR. SNOW replied that he intends to renegotiate the contracts with the vendor for the shelters located in the City to require frequent cleaning, because once a month, as currently required, is not enough. If the renegotiations are not successful, he intends to present a plan to the board for the RTC to take on the responsibility, in order to keep the bus stops clean.

TOM McGOWAN, Las Vegas resident, was very impressed with the presentation, of which he requested a copy. However, he noted that the transit system is not just for people who work; it is for everyone. He asked where the bus stops on Casino Center would be located, to which MR. SNOW replied that he would provide MR. McGOWAN with that information.

COUNCILMAN ROSS requested that MR. SNOW help with the northwest campus, and also offered his assistance.

MR. SNOW thanked the Council for its assistance in obtaining approval for the park 'n' ride lots.

