



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 52.

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON: OCTOBER 3, 2007**

**DEPARTMENT: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**DIRECTOR: M. MARGO WHEELER**

Consent  Discussion

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion and possible action regarding a proposed Action Plan that addresses comments received during the August 27, 2007, City Council/Planning Commission workshop on sustainability. All Wards.

**Fiscal Impact**

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

**Amount:**

**Funding Source:**

**Dept./Division:**

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

During the August 27th workshop on sustainability, the City Council and Planning Commission received presentations on sustainability and provided comments to staff. This Plan summarizes the discussion and presents clearly defined sustainability actions. These actions include development of a Sustainability Plan for the City, evaluation of fiscal and environmental impacts of expansion, perform code audit and eliminate barriers to sustainability, evaluate incentives and mandates for green building, educate community on benefits of green building, develop heat island mitigation plan, and prepare a comprehensive report on current city of Las Vegas best practices.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive Report

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

1. Sustainability Workshop Report
2. Submitted after meeting PowerPoint presentation by Tom Perrigo

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve the report

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1  
LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-RICKI Y. BARLOW)

Minutes:

TOM PERRIGO, Deputy Director, Planning and Development Department, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed action plan and outlined the sustainability priorities discussed during the August 27, 2007 City Council and Planning Commission Strategic

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meeting. He highlighted the eight actions items, which were Adopt Sustainability Plan, Costs of Expansion, Code Audit, Incentives and Mandates for Green Building, Green Building Benefits to Homeowners, Heat Island Mitigation Plan, Tree Planting Program and Best Practices Report.

In response to MAYOR GOODMAN'S query, MR. PERRIGO explained that tree planting is one of the most cost effective ways to promote sustainability. The City is looking at participating and planting trees and then the property owner maintaining them.

MAYOR GOODMAN remarked that Boulder Co. has started a tree program and wondered how much that cost. COUNCILMAN REESE explained that an application for a new power plant was opposed by the residents. The applicant was asked to donate 5,500 trees in lieu of denying the application.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN verified with the Mayor that MR. PERRIGO would present a tree program, which will include identifying locations and cost.

