

**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE - PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: NOVEMBER 21, 2007**

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR: M. MARGO WHEELER

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT

GPA-24203 - PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT/TOWNER: CITY OF LAS VEGAS - Request to adopt an updated Public Buildings Element and revise the 2006 Master Plan. The Planning Commission (5-0 vote) and staff recommend APPROVAL

PROTESTS RECEIVED BEFORE:

Planning Commission Mtg.
City Council Meeting

APPROVALS RECEIVED BEFORE:

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Commission (5-0 vote) and staff recommend APPROVAL

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTATION:

1. Conditions (Not Applicable) Staff Report
2. Statement of Financial Implications
3. Justification Letter
4. Public Buildings Element
5. Public Buildings Appendix

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

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

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing open for Items 99-101.

FLINN FAGG, Planning and Development Department, stated these are three elements to add to the General Plan, in which he described. Item 99 is the public buildings element, which is required by State's statutes. The purpose is to analyze and forecast the City's future space needs as the population continues to grow.

Item 100 is the Parks element, which was originally adopted by the City in 2000. There has been substantial progress in parks development, so this element needs to be updated. In 2000, we had



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approximately one point one acres per thousand which has grown to nine acres per thousand including private parks and golf courses. There are still needs to address, particularly developing parks in underserved areas, a need to keep pace in growth areas, to coordinate the plan with funding and to implement urban pathways in the downtown area.

Item 101 is the transit element also required by statute. It provides a comprehensive analysis of transit systems within the city and coordinate land use, align policies for mass transit, support the RTC, coordinate park and ride facilities and improve availability of bus shelters within the City.

All three elements were presented at neighborhood meetings, placed on the City website with the ability to submit electronic comments and received Parks Commission approval in October.

COUNCILMAN BROWN commented he met with MR. FAGG and added that the Parks Element implementation includes targeting underserved areas in the more mature areas should incorporate school sites under the open door school policy. He recommended adding a component that targets taking over the playground after school.

MR. FAGG concurred and discussed with MAYOR GOODMAN the incorporation into the plan before it comes back before Council in ordinance form.

TEDDY RUSSELL, Las Vegas resident born in New Jersey, stated their parks were part of the school system and a playground during weekends. It worked out beautiful.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing closed on Items 99-101.

