



**AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE**  
**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 17, 2008**

**SUBJECT:**

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY. ONLY ITEMS THAT MAY BE ACTED UPON BY THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY WILL BE ON THE AGENDA AND IS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, COME TO THE PODIUM AND GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED.

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN stated he was advised of an issue regarding access between the historic West side and the Union Park community. Staff did not realize this was an issue and will be working on rectifying the situation. He suggested the affected communities give staff an opportunity to review the issue and address it appropriately. It is his intention to ensure that residents are not precluded from enjoying their community.

Former COUNCILWOMAN BRENDA WILLIAMS and resident of Las Vegas and KATHERINE DUNCAN, Chamber of Commerce, both read their comments for the record. Along with them, former STATE ASSEMBLYMAN GENE COLLINS, 1101 Eleanor Avenue; ANTHONY STOKES; BILL HYDE, Bonanza Village resident; and BEATRICE TURNER, West Las Vegas, all expressed their disapproval regarding the issue with closing F Street by way of a cul-de-sac. The image within their community is negative and unwelcomed. Their community has been alienated by freeways, underpass, railroads, barbed wire, and now a cul-de-sac is being created. In their opinion, creating a cul-de-sac/wall is only taking away the efforts being made to uplift the community. The residents hope the elected officials will act in their best interest and recognize the Ward 5 residents visions for economic development and revitalization of the community. F Street is an opportunity to bring continuity, along with the upcoming Union Park development. MS. DUNCAN asked the Council to begin a taskforce in addressing such issues and help create an uptown Las Vegas. MR. STOKES and MR. HYDE questioned why the residents were not notified and encouraged accountability with staff in ensuring notification takes place, especially when it involves street modifications. Residents deserve the opportunity to be heard and be involved in the resolution process. MS. TURNER stressed she would rather continue to fight for the betterment of her community rather than relocate. She also commented on Woodlawn Cemetery and its negative condition.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW stands with the community and Council in rectifying the issue, as he does not desire the change to F Street, which will in essence close off a community. He appreciated the residents comments and encouraged all of the residents to remain steadfast and united in changing Ward 5s image so that the pride, redevelopment, infrastructure and beauty return.

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THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 9:09 AM. TO INCORPORATE MEMBER BARLOW'S COMMENTS AND ADJOURNED AT 9:14 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:

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Lean Coleman, Deputy City Clerk  
October 15, 2008

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Beverly K. Bridges, Secretary

