

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: NOVEMBER 19, 2008

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

PRESENTATION OF A SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT BY THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANTIAN asked MARY MARTINI, Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) to join the Council at the podium.

Because of the ongoing concern for childrens safety in and around schools and previous accidents involving children, a positive and passionate group, Look Out Kids About, was developed. This group is a non-profit coalition promoting safe routes to schools, educating students and drivers about safe driving, walking and biking habits and creating mutual respect between pedestrians and drivers. She encouraged parents to be more aware of their surroundings, as many injuries or accidents occur when parents are dropping off their children at school. In a joint effort with several entities, the group received a grant from NDOT, which will supply stop paddles for crossing guards.

MS. MARTINI stated she takes pleasure in finding ways to assist local entities. The funding comes from Safe Routes to School, which encourages children to have active lifestyles walking or bicycling to school and ensures their trip home is a safe one. She displayed a large copy of the check from NDOT, amounting to just over \$185,000.

On behalf of the Council, COUNCILWOMAN TARKANTIAN expressed gratitude for NDOTS efforts and donation.

