

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: FEBRUARY 4, 2009**

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE WINNERS OF THE WHAT PEACE MEANS TO ME ART CONTEST

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN BARLOW thanked individuals at the West Las Vegas Arts Center for their assistance and participation. He explained that the City had partnered with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro) Golden Area Command as part of the Safe Village/Operation Lasting Peace initiative and had asked students at three elementary schools to draw a picture of what peace means to them. He stated the purpose of the initiative was to work with residents to reduce violence and improve the health, strength and livability of their communities. COUNCILMAN BARLOW invited SERGEANT JACK CLEMENTS and OFFICER JASON HENSON to the podium to help him in recognizing the contest winners.

Certificates were presented to the students from Kenet B. B. Elementary, DENISE CENDA CHAVES and AMERICA BECERRA, runners up, and EVANIZ LARA, 2nd place winner; Matt Kelly Elementary, LIZET ALONSO and STANLEY JACKSON, runners up, AALIYA NEAL, 1st place; and Wendell Williams Elementary, QUINTELL COLLINS, KASSIDI SPEER and CHERISH ANDRADE, runners up, and ALAN KINAPPER, 3rd place. COUNCILMAN BARLOW also recognized their parents, the school administration and their art teachers.

The art teachers thanked the City for giving their students the opportunity to participate in the contest and stated their students had enjoyed the experience.

SERGEANT CLEMENTS explained that Metro wants to play an integral part in the community and that this contest was a great project. He had enjoyed working with the City and the schools.