

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: AUGUST 19, 2009**

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR A DECADE OF PEAK PERFORMANCE AWARDS

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN invited DAVID MENDENHALL, Environmental Division Manager, to the podium and recognized the staff at the Water Pollution Control Facility for receiving the Platinum Peak Performance Award from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies. The Facility has received this award for the past 10 years for going without an incident or a violation each year. It is an amazing accomplishment and a credit to the dedication of City staff.

The Facility treats the wastewater generated by more than 650,000 residents and businesses in Las Vegas and North Las Vegas. The water is treated for reuse and this process is a key part of the City's Sustainability initiative. MAYOR GOODMAN encouraged the public to tour the facility and directed them to call 229-6200 for more information.

JORGE CERVANTES, Director of the Public Works Department, stated that it is an honor to receive this award and noted that only 3 plants out of 19,000 water treatment plants in the country earn this award. It is a tribute to the hard work of City employees at the plant and it is crucial to maintaining the water quality of Las Vegas.

A videotape was shown, but a copy was not submitted.

MR. MENDENHALL appeared on behalf of the 98 people who work at the Facility and ensure the Facility stays in compliance. He informed MAYOR GOODMAN that Fathead Minnows are used as part of the Facility's toxicity measurements.