

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: OCTOBER 21, 2009**

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE BATTERIES INCLUDED PROGRAM

Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE proudly recognized a group of students who have worked diligently at becoming active and involved individuals. As the audience watched a video showing the young leaders hard at work, honing their leadership skills as they focused on health, safety and education, MAYOR PRO TEM REESE proudly commended each of them and asked the audience to applaud the success of the Batteries Included Youth Initiative. He explained that this program is co-sponsored by the City of Las Vegas, Nevada Partners and Clark County School District and represents their commitment to youth excellence and achievement.

COUNCILMAN RICKY BARLOW corroborated that statement as he introduced DAVID CUMMINGS, a summer intern who worked with City employees of the Public Works Department for twelve weeks, learning varied skills and hands-on tasks.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON remarked that these are the leaders of tomorrow and encouraged them to continue their involvement as they will have a significant impact on the communities. COUNCILMAN WOLFSON spoke of the Annual Red Carpet Event and introduced LIZA NELSON of the Mirabelli Youth Council who was recognized as an award winner. MS. NELSON, accompanied by a fellow student, explained that she has been a member of the Youth Council for four years. As mentioned by COUNCILMAN WOLFSON, she felt it was a distinct honor to receive the award for the most involved member of Mirabelli Community Center.

MEGAN SCHERRER expressed her appreciation to the City Council for giving all of the students the opportunities to be civil servants.

ASHA JONES, Deputy Director from Nevada Partners, announced that the young adults are involved in activities that foster education, leadership, beautification and citizenship. She described the program as an awesome partnership that enabled the youths to receive academic credit and work experience in addition to getting paid.