

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 1, 2010

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION OF THE TEAMS OF THE QUARTER

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at Meeting Copies of TEAM Certificates for Pat Cabrera, Waleed Al-Sabagh, Chris Rich, Erin Wells, Joel Pinpin, Marc Walters, Richard Wassmuth, Nathan Goldberg, Rene Carlsen, Mike Frederick and Bob Agnew

Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE indicated that the Team Quarterly Recognition Program is an effort within the City honoring a group of employees for their outstanding work. He invited JOE MARCELLA, Director of Information Technologies (IT) and BILL M. BASTIAN, Leisure Services, to recognize the Payment Card Industry Team. He presented JOE SANTILLI, PAT CABRERA, MIKE FREDERICK, WALEED AL-SABAGH, CHRIS RICH, ERIN WELLS, JOEL PINPIN and MARC WALTERS with certificates. "We know several major credit card security breaches that have occurred in the past, major credit card companies have established new security standards. These new standards needed to be implemented at the City and this team made sure that the City complied with those regulations. The City's infrastructure has improved and the risk that sensitive customer information is compromised has been greatly reduced."

MR. SANTILLI indicated that when the credit card regulations were announced, IT and Leisure Services stepped up to tackle the challenge. A certified specialist was hired and made recommendations, which were reviewed by the team. This effort not only protected the citizens' information but established a more efficient environment in the process. He was pleased to be part of the team who got the job done.

MAYOR PRO TEM REESE invited MARGO WHEELER, Director of Planning and Development, to the podium and recognized the second team members, RICHARD WASSMUTH, NATHAN GOLDBERG, RENE CARLSEN and ROBERT AGNEW. This team was instrumental in assuring that the recent census was accurate because information gained from the census is used to determine the number of representatives a state has in Washington, D.C., as well as how much federal funding a state may be eligible for. This team was instrumental in verifying 12,000 addresses were rejected during the 2008 census and a total of 7,857 address appeals were sent to the Census Bureau, which were accepted and reinstated. Due to the skills and dedication of the team members, the City stands to gain as much as \$172 million in federal revenue over the next 10 years.

MR. WASSMUTH felt honored for the recognition and stated that it was a full-team effort. He thanked the directors, the City Council and City Manager for their support and for championing the census effort for the City of Las Vegas and Clark County. MS. WHEELER thanked the City Council and City Manager for this program, as it is an opportunity to recognize and congratulate employees that otherwise might not be noticed.