



STAFF REPORT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING DATE: 10/26/11

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Report by Department of Planning regarding letter from citizen regarding status of Woodlawn Cemetery, located at 1500 Las Vegas Boulevard North (APN 139-26-101-003), C-V (Civic) Zone, Ward 5 (Barlow)

BACKGROUND

No relevant case history.

SUMMARY

The HPO was copied on a letter, dated September 1, 2011, from a city of Las Vegas resident to Clark County Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani. The letter thanks Commissioner Giunchigliani for following up on concerns regarding the historic Woodlawn Cemetery. Please see attached letter.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

No action required.

BACKUP DOCUMENTS

Letter dated September 1, 2011 to Clark County Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani from Margaret McGhie regarding historic Woodlawn Cemetery.

September 1, 2011

Chris Giunchigiani
Clark County Commissioner
Clark County Government Center
500 Grand Central Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-1601

Dear Chris,

This is just a note to thank you for following up on my complaint about Woodlawn Cemetery. This cemetery was something to be proud of when it was under the care of the Parks Department. It was not a good idea to privatise this responsibility. I've tried to do some research on Carriage Services but it is difficult to find much information about this contractor, other than they seem to have a monopoly on caring for most of the cemeteries in our country. I suspect that all the profits go out of state, and they pay very low wages to the people they employ locally. As for the homeless sleeping in the cemetery, I don't for a minute believe that! I've never seen a homeless person loitering there - and who would want to sleep in a cemetery!

Anyhow, Chris, I do appreciate your efforts to have this matter resolved, and I look forward to seeing some major improvements when I next visit Woodlawn.

Sincerely,



Margaret McGhie

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Cc: Courtney Mooney ACP