



AGENDA MEMO

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2011

DEPARTMENT: CITY MANAGER

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Discussion and possible action on a Service Sharing and Governmental Efficiency Study with the City of Las Vegas and the City of North Las Vegas presented by Management Partners

In an effort to identify potential opportunities for efficiencies and service sharing between the cities of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas, the respective City Councils authorized an agreement with Management Partners to conduct a Service Sharing and Government Efficiency Study. Management Partners have completed a DRAFT report documenting the results of their study and their recommendations are outlined below, as well as, included as part of a DRAFT report and presentation attached to this item.

The purpose of the study was to identify ways to save money and increase efficiency by identifying potential partnership opportunities. Management Partners worked collaboratively with the two cities to identify services that could be shared, and analyzed the costs and benefits of service sharing. City staff members from both cities were interviewed and a Management Steering committee was formed to identify and prioritize opportunities that could be acted upon within a reasonable time frame. The following seven services were chosen as possibilities for sharing or integration:

1. Workers compensation
2. Safekey before and after school program
3. Joint purchasing
4. Radio maintenance
5. Detention Center support services
6. Fire Marshal/prevention/plan check function
7. Traffic signal, street and park lighting maintenance

Due to the limited scope and resources of this study, other items were not researched fully because they had the following issues: potential conflicts with bargaining agreements, low returns on benefits and/or higher start up costs that would not make them cost effective at this time.

As part of their presentation, Management Partners will provide a detailed list of recommendations and copies of the final draft report to both City Councils in a Joint meeting in the Library Multipurpose Room (February 16, 2011 at 4:30 PM). Upon comments and approval by the City Councils, both cities staffs will work on a published final report for their websites.