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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: MARCH 5, 2014**

**DEPARTMENT:** HUMAN RESOURCES  
**DIRECTOR:** DAN TARTAGLIA

Consent  Discussion

**SUBJECT:**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Discussion of possible action regarding the ratification of Venetta Appleyard as Director of Finance (\$140,000 Benefits - General Fund)

**Fiscal Impact**

- No Impact  Augmentation Required  
 Budget Funds Available

**Amount:** \$140,000

**Funding Source:** General Fund

**Dept./Division:** Finance

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

Venetta Appleyard is currently serving as the City of Las Vegas "Acting" Finance Director. Ms. Appleyard started with the City of Las Vegas in October 2005 as the Financial Services Manager in finance. Prior to working for the City of Las Vegas, Ms. Appleyard had a long career with the Howard Hughes Corporation where she held positions as the Vice President of Financial Services, Assistant Treasurer and Director of Finance. Ms. Appleyard was a Nevada Certified Public Accountant for 10 years, and obtained her bachelors degree from University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve and ratify the appointment of Venetta Appleyard to the position of Director of Finance

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

None

Motion made by STEVEN D. ROSS to Approve the ratification of Venetta Appleyard as Director of Finance

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

BOB COFFIN, RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, CAROLYN G. GOODMAN, STAVROS S. ANTHONY, STEVEN D. ROSS, BOB BEERS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

CITY MANAGER ELIZABETH FRETWELL was honored to present VENETTA APPELYARD, Acting Director of Finance, who has been the Treasurer for the City of Las Vegas since 2005, as well as Financial Services Manager, as the new Finance Director. MS.

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APPLEYARD has an incredible finance background and has been instrumental in defining the financing and meeting all obligations for the new City Hall. Her experience puts her in a unique position to understand what the City has weathered; the highs of a robust growth and the lows when the economy came to a screeching halt. She has helped prepare budgets that are monitored and she has a unique understanding of the City's needs. Many City directors enjoy working with her because she is willing to listen and to work out issues to get the job done.

COUNCILMEN BARLOW and ROSS congratulated MS. APPLEYARD and having her staff's support sends a clear message to the City Council. COUNCILMAN BEERS echoed COUNCILMAN ROSS sentiments.

MS. APPLEYARD thanked the Finance staff for their overwhelming support while she was Acting Director.

