

City of Las Vegas

**YOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (YNAPP)
GRANT REVIEW BOARD
CITY HALL, 495 S. MAIN STREET
CITY CLERKS 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CITY OF LAS VEGAS INTERNET ADDRESS: www.lasvegasnevada.gov**

MINUTES

**January 8, 2013
3:30 P.M.**

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1. [CALL TO ORDER](#)

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LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, called the meeting to order at 3:43 p.m.

PRESENT: MEMBERS REID, RUGGIERO (from 3:47-3:48), THACKSTON (excused until 5:11), YTURRALDE (excused until 3:46), LOPEZ, REYES, TOUSSAINT, ZIER, DAVIS, DOTO (excused until 5:06), DeWITTE (excused until 5:06), RODRIGUEZ, SHATTTLER, WILLIAMS (excused until 3:47), and JUAREZ

EXCUSED: MEMBER BROWN

NOTE: MEMBER CHELSEA BLUMBERG resigned as of January 7, 2013

Also Present: LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY TERI PONTICELLO, and DEPUTY CITY CLERK GABRIELA PORTILLO-BRENNER

2. [ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW](#)

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ANNOUNCEMENT MADE: This meeting has been properly noticed and posted at the following locations: City Hall, 495 South Main Street, 1st Floor; Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway; Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue; City of Las Vegas Development Services Center, 333 North Rancho Drive.

3. [PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED](#)

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None.

4. [Introduction of Board Members and staff](#)

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LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, introduced herself and stated she is the City's coordinator for the Youth Neighborhood Association Partnership Program (YNAPP) Grant Review Board. She also introduced ALMA ESTRADA, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, who assists her with the program. The YNAPP members introduced themselves as well.

5. [Review of By-Laws and Responsibilities for the Youth Neighborhood Association Partnership Program pertaining to the project selection process and agenda items](#)

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LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, reviewed the by-laws. Each member has one vote of the entire Board, and a one-year term of office, with eligibility for appointment to consecutive terms.

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY TERI PONTICELLO interjected that with the resignation of CHELSEA BLUMBERG, a quorum for this Board will consist of nine members. MS. CAMPBELL indicated it is important for everyone to attend the meetings in order to vote on matters before the Board.

6. [Discussion for possible action on the election of Chair and Vice Chair](#)

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LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, went over the process for nominating and electing a Chair and Vice Chair, as well as their duties and responsibilities. Any Board member could self-nominate. The Chair is expected to lead the meetings, explain the process to each presenter and attend and make the final presentation before the City Council. The Vice Chair is expected to attend the meetings as well.

MEMBER TOUSSAINT felt a youth should be appointed; therefore, nominated SHERRA WILLIAMS to serve as Chair. ZACHARY SHATTLER nominated himself as Chair.

MS. WILLIAMS commented she is currently a Junior at Legacy High School, and this is her second year serving on the Youth Neighborhood Association Partnership (YNAPP) Program Grant Review Board. She is involved in community outreach programs through her church and the City of Las Vegas. She indicated for MEMBER REYES that what she likes most about this program is youth involvement.

MEMBER SHATTLER stated he is a Junior at Clark High School, has been a member of the National Junior Honor Society since he was in 7th grade, and is involved in various clubs and boards. He has served on this Board for two years, and regarded himself as a good candidate for Chair. To MEMBER REYES, MEMBER SHATTLER indicated that he likes serving on this Board because he appreciates the projects submitted for consideration and enjoys reviewing the applications. He also appreciates the process the Board undergoes to assist the community.

MEMBER SHATTLER was voted Chair by a vote of 5-4 and MEMBER WILLIAMS was unanimously voted Vice Chair.

7. [Report on the FY2012-13 applications Summary Worksheet and Rating Sheet \(evaluation\) criteria and scoring report](#)

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LISA CAMPBELL, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, referred to the score sheet, a copy of which was submitted as backup documentation, and explained that it is itemized differently, depending on the application, especially with the availability of the new ZoomGrants. For some applications, volunteer hours might not suffice, so this could cause a change in scoring.

8. [Discussion for possible action regarding Youth Neighborhood Partnership Program Youth Presentations Schedule for January 8, 17 and January 30, 2013](#)

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ALMA ESTRADA, Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services, announced that the Amy Carver Sew Happy group cancelled at the last moment and had to be rescheduled for the meeting of 1/17/2013.

9. [Report on Youth Neighborhood Association Partnership Program Applications submitted by the Southern Nevada Health Districts Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program, Sew Happy, Arbor View DECA, Clark STEM Club, Healthy Teens, Healthy Community, Healthy World](#)

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CHAIR SHATTLER advised each of the presenters that they would be given ten minutes to present and the Board members would be given ten minutes to ask questions. Each application will be considered, and the groups would be receiving a letter regarding the Board's recommendations, which will be presented at a City Council meeting for approval.

Amineh Harvey - Southern Nevada Health District Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program Group (T.A.P.P.) - NADIA SCHOFIELD, NADIA SCHOFIELD, President, ANDRE MARYLAND, Member, of T.A.P.P., shared in narrating a detailed PowerPoint presentation to explain their project, which includes delivery of 50 care packages to homeless youth at the HELP of Southern Nevada's Shannon West Homeless Youth Center. These packages will include basic need items, including toiletries, condoms, and blankets. It is their hope that the items will help prevent diseases and help the youth feel better about their appearance. The T.A.P.P. group will have time after completion of the project to reflect on the issues affecting the youth in this community. Several agencies have offered assistance with providing materials. The funding request is for \$2,000.

MS. SCHOFIELD informed the MEMBERS LOPEZ, RODRIGUEZ and TOUSSAINT, respectively, that the packages include tooth brushes and toothpaste and other items for hygiene care. There will be approximately 15 teenage volunteers assisting. The project can be done without receiving any funding assistance from YNAPP.

CHAIR SHATTLER ascertained that written permission from Shannon West Homeless Youth Center had been obtained and that a copy would be forthcoming for the application.

MEMBER YTURRALDE discussed with MS. SCHOFIELD that the group members receive sex education training through the Southern Nevada Health District for this project to be better prepared to assist the youth.

MEMBER DeWITTE discussed with MS. SCHOFIELD that booths and tables will be set out and items will be handed out. MEMBER DeWITTE noted that homeless individuals do not like to be identified, to which MS. SCHOFIELD added that the Shannon West Home, Shade Tree and Rancho High School homeless team will be present.

Arbor View High School - DECA "No Place for Hate West Care Project" - LISA AUSTIN and SHADYMOND STRONG described this project, which is to make care packages with donated items, such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes and bars of soap, for the women and children at WestCare. The grant will be used toward the making of the packaging. Entertainment for the event will be donated, and the entire Arbor View High School will be involved in some way in this project. This project will provide items for women and children that arrive at WestCare with nothing because of their situation. Working on this project will help the volunteers learn the importance of teamwork. A scrapbook of the event will be prepared. Important messages will be attached to the packages, and an example of the pillows that will be included in the packages was displayed.

MEMBER THACKSTON ascertained with the representatives that the pillows and sox were selected for the packages because they are a necessity.

MEMBER YTURRALDE discussed with the representatives that this type of project has been done previously and that they have learned from past events that the residents at WestCare appreciate the items they receive very much.

MEMBER TOUSSAINT received confirmation that approximately 40 students will be involved in this project.

MEMBER LOPEZ was informed by the representatives that this project was inspired by the desire to give back to the community, and it has been done previously.

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Arbor View High School - DECA "Direct the Way" - KEITH NICHOLSON and JERRY ROGER, representing Arbor View High School DECA Chapter, were present. MR. NICHOLSON explained that DECA teaches aspiring business leaders entrepreneurship, marketing and business skills, and organizes community service projects. The largest being in partnership with Silverstone Ranch, where DECA holds signs to direct traffic to various garage sales, where used items are sold to people in need.

MR. ROGER briefly went over the budget for this project, indicating that T-Shirt uniforms will be bought at a cost of \$7 a piece, for a total cost of approximately \$300. A portion of the funding will be spent on food, water and Gatorade and ice, as volunteers will be asked to be available from 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Another portion will go toward the cost of issuing a press release for the event. Total funding in the amount of \$900 is being requested.

MR. NICHOLSON requested funding, commenting that over 10,000 people will be helped by this project of all ages and races and with different needs. The Las Vegas Rescue Mission will pick up these items at Silverstone Ranch on Saturday, May 4, 2013. Following the event, the group will meet to reflect on the project, post pictures and all involved will report on their experiences. Advisors from the school, parents and Silverstone Ranch residents will also be involved in this project, which has been done for three years and has helped many people in need.

MR. NICHOLSON informed CHAIR SHATTLER that the DECA Club members and school students will be participating in this project, a total of approximately 40 people.

To MEMBER REYES, MR. NICHOLSON commented that this is his second year of being involved with this project, and he believes improvements could be made with sign placement and time management. The press release is costing less because of their non-profit status, and it will serve to spread the news throughout Nevada and Southern California. Publicity helps with donations, even from people on vacation who hear about the event and stop by to donate items.

MEMBER TOUSSAINT received confirmation that the project could go forward without any funding from YNAPP.

MEMBER DeWITTE suggested seeking water and ice donations from K-Mart or Wal-Mart, to which MR. ROGERS responded that an attempt for donation of water and ice bags was made without success.

MEMBER THACKSTON suggested speaking with Wal-Mart representatives as they like to help charities, as well contacting her office to obtain the number of a contact for Sam's Club in the Centennial Hills area.

Clark STEM Club - "Robotics Challenge" - NICK ORR, representing Ed W. Clark County High School Robotics Club, used the PowerPoint presentation submitted as backup documentation to review this program, which was started in an effort to assist students that were not applying themselves like they should. It is an after school program that will help students attain mechanical skills, including designing and making blueprints, cutting and forming metal structures, integration of belts, gears, sprockets and chain drive systems and troubleshooting the physics of the robots. These are life skills that can be used to be successful. He noted that the Robotics Team received the recognition of PAUL COPIOLI, President of VEX Robotics, Inc., and DR. DOUGLAS OSHEROFF, a well known professor among Stanford, Cornell University and the California Institute of Technology, by interviewing the team because they were amazed that as rookies they were already competing at the international championship level.

MR. ORR remarked that the Team would like to mentor other students in robotics programs and help fix and troubleshoot their problems. He also reviewed from the PowerPoint some of the ways to share the benefits of the program with other students, schools and the community.

MEMBER TOUSSAINT received confirmation that the program would continue despite not receiving full funding. MR. ORR noted that any donation would be appreciated. Total funding being requested is \$995.78 to purchase equipment to build robots. Volunteer time for this project will be close to 50 hours.

MR. ORR indicated for MEMBER RODRIGUEZ that the program previously received funding in the amount of \$25 through sales at CiCi's Pizza.

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MEMBER YTURRALDE thanked MR. ORR for his enthusiasm and thorough presentation. MR. ORR stated that he loves the Robotics Program so he loves to put effort and time into it.

MR. ORR informed MEMBER THACKSTON that participation in the VEX Robotics World Championship helped the Team gain recognition, because it requires more in-depth knowledge and precision of the machinery. Last year, the Team used left over funding and funds raised through CiCi's Pizza. Robots also had to be broken down to re-use the parts. MEMBER THACKSTON commended the Team for sharing with other schools.

Clark STEM Club - "ENVIRO-Stars: An Air and Water Quality Analysis Project" - JOSUE MOZO, representing Ed. W. Clark High School, used a PowerPoint presentation that was submitted as backup documentation to go over the goals and benefits of this project and the importance of using science to understand and promote air and water quality. This knowledge will be spread to the community.

CHAIR SHATTTLER discussed with MR. MOZO that the program will provide educational materials to teach the community new ways to be in an improved environment.

MR. MOZO replied for MEMBER REYES that samples to test will be obtained from different institutions.

MR. MOZO advised MEMBERS RODRIGUEZ and DAVIS that funding in the amount of \$970.76 is being sought from YNAPP, with no donations from other entities being requested.

MEMBER DeWITTE discussed with MR. MOZO that research findings will be shared with Club members, who will apply the findings and share these with friends and relatives.

FRIEDA VINE, Ed. W. Clark High School Science Teacher and Coordinator of STEM Program, stated for MEMBER RODRIGUEZ that some supplies, such as sensors and probes, are available, but they would like to purchase more in order to expand the program.

MR. MOZO indicated that approximately 20 students will be participating, as well as different groups that are assisting.

MEMBER YTURRALDE regarded this as an interesting project that comes at an important time for the environment. In one of her classes she learned about human carbon footprint and it would be nice to spread the word about changes people can make in their habits to improve the environment.

Clark STEM Club - Healthy Teens, Healthy Community, Healthy World - CALEIA JOHNSON, representing Ed W. Clark High School, gave a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was submitted as backup documentation, to report on the goal of showing the community the importance of proper nutrition and that good food can be purchased with a simple budget. Funding will be used to purchase affordable and fresh ingredients to make inexpensive nutritious snacks that students can make themselves. Regular exercise will also be promoted in this project. The idea came from watching students standing around eating unhealthy snacks and falling asleep during class. Participants for this project include the team of students, mentors, families, community members and former students. Funding in the amount of \$950 is being requested to purchase food items from several local grocers.

CHAIR SHATTTLER suggested presenting the idea at an upcoming CMO meeting.

MS. JOHNSON noted for MEMBER RODRIGUEZ that a donation was received from the Public Education Foundation for doing the research on the cost of the proposal.

MEMBER DOTO recommended the school's principal use his power to provide healthier lunch options and healthier items at the student store.

MEMBER DeWITTE discussed with MS. JOHNSON that the project could be completed without YNAPP funding, and that administrative staff has not been requested to remove some of the junk foods, because the goal is to promote healthier items and exercise before getting rid of the junk foods. Exercise will be promoted with get-moving campaigns during lunch time and motivating the students by offering prizes.

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MEMBER LOPEZ suggested social networking as a way of promoting the idea. He commended MS. JOHNSON for researching and identifying the issues.

10. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. NO SUBJECT MAY BE ACTED UPON BY THE BOARD UNLESS THAT SUBJECT IS ON THE AGENDA AND IS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED

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None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was recessed 4:08-5:07, 5:22-5:31, 5:42-5:52 and 6:01-6:18 and was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Gabriela Portillo-Brenner, Deputy City Clerk

Lisa Campbell, Sr. Neighborhood Outreach Specialist

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