

MINUTES  
CITY OF FALLON  
55 West Williams Avenue  
Fallon, Nevada  
January 9, 2009

The Honorable City Council met in a special Council meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

**Present:**

Mayor Ken Tedford, Jr.  
City Councilman, Willis Swan  
City Councilman, Robert Erickson  
City Councilman, John Tewell  
City Engineer, James Souba  
City Clerk, Gary Cordes  
City Attorney, Mike Mackedon

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

City Clerk Cordes advised the agenda was posted in compliance with NRS 241.

**Community Development Block Grant; Authorization to Submit Project Application**

City Engineer Souba explained that public input was invited on proposed projects for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) during the January 5, 2009 City Council meeting. Applications are due January 13, 2009 for the 2009 funding cycle. A gym facility was suggested at that public input meeting but it would be well outside the funding capability of CDBG. As a result of that meeting and with input from the Mayor and Council, staff recommends the development of a CDBG project application to install updated and modern playground equipment in Oats Park. Oats Park is one of the City's most heavily utilized parks and would most benefit from the installation of a modern, modular play system. These modern, modular play systems have been installed in other City parks and have proven to be tremendously popular. This equipment would be a nice improvement to Oats Park. He recommended that the Council authorize the Engineering Department to complete a CDBG application for a playground system.

Mayor Tedford noted that we have a sports facility building included in our Debt Management Plan so if an opportunity for funding arises we have made the necessary arrangements for that funding. He agreed that Fallon does need a facility. There are currently some groups that use the gym that do not need the basketball hoops, such as dance and soccer. We are not utilizing our gym to its best capability. This playground system is a good idea. We can even look into placing some picnic tables around it.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any questions or comments.

Councilman Tewell had some concerns about the possible location of the equipment. The City places horseshoe pits there for the annual City employee picnic and the Methodist Church places seating there for an annual service.

City Engineer Souba replied that he would prepare detailed footprint drawings of the exact location.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

Ms. Christy Lattin of the Lahontan Valley News asked if the rocket ship would be removed.

Mayor Tedford said no; that is a much loved piece of playground equipment that will not be removed with this project.

Ms. Lattin noted that there is a lot of graffiti on the picnic tables at the parks. She inquired if there were plans to replace the tables with the metal mesh style to discourage graffiti.

Mayor Tedford advised that they still manage to mark up the mesh style but it is easier to remove.

City Engineer Souba noted that the mesh style also stays cleaner. This style of table is being considered for systematic replacement.

Mayor Tedford added that we have a full-time person that removes graffiti but it is hard to keep up with it. Rotary will be doing a workday at the parks in the Spring called "Rotarians at Work" that will be coordinated with other local groups.

Councilman Swan motioned to authorize the submission of an application for project funding under the Community Development Block Grant program; seconded by Councilman Erickson and unanimously approved.

#### **Approval of Proposed Agreement between the City of Fallon and WCW Corporation for Parking Lot Improvements on South Carson Street, APNs 001-533-10, 001-533-13**

City Attorney Mackedon explained that this is an agreement to authorize the City to improve the lots between The Douglass and the William George Inn on South Carson Street. This will allow more vehicles to be parked on the property. It will be improved with street lights and a drive-through drop box for City utility payments. By combining these lots into a single parking lot, the vehicles will enter on the City's property and exit from WCW Corp. property. The configuration will result in an increased number of parking spaces and is the most convenient and intelligent design. He recommended approval of this agreement.

Mayor Tedford thanked City Attorney Mackedon for working on this agreement and City Engineer Souba for the design. He inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Councilman Tewell motioned to approve an agreement between the City of Fallon and WCW Corporation for a parking lot on South Carson Street, APNs 001-533-10, 001-533-13; seconded by Councilman Erickson and unanimously approved.

#### **Public Comments**

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

No comments were noted.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

*Ken Tedford, Jr.*

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Mayor Ken Tedford, Jr.

Attest:

*[Signature]*  
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Gary C. Cordes  
City Clerk Treasurer