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A special meeting of the Carson City Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, May 15, 1994, at the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, beginning at 6 p.m.

PRESENT:	Marv Teixeira	Mayor
	Kay Bennett	Supervisor, Ward 4
	Greg Smith	Supervisor, Ward 1
	Janice Ayres	Supervisor, Ward 2
	Tom Tatro	Supervisor, Ward 3

STAFF PRESENT:	John Berkich	City Manager
	Kiyoshi Nishikawa	Clerk-Recorder
	Noel Waters	District Attorney
	Mary Walker	Finance Director
	Mike Conklin	Animal Regulations Director
	Gary Bushman	Golf Pro
	Bob Townsend	Golf Course Superintendent
	Katherine McLaughlin	Recording Secretary
	(S.B.O.S. 5/3/94 Tape 1-0001)	

OTHERS PRESENT:	Steve Smith	Carson-Tahoe Hospital Administrator
	Bill Foster	Chief Financial Officer
	Ron Telles	Controller

Mayor Teixeira called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Supervisor Ayres lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. The entire Board was present constituting a quorum.

CITIZEN COMMENTS (1-0019) - None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS CONCERNING THE FISCAL YEAR 1994-95 BUDGET - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING: A. CARSON-TAHOE HOSPITAL (1-0043) - Administrator Steve Smith, Chief Financial Officer Bill Foster, and Controller Ron Telles; **B. GREAT BASIN WILDLIFE CENTER (1-0335) -** Animal Regulation Director Mike Conklin; **C. SIERRA FOREST FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (1-0402) -** Acting Regional Forester Bob Ashworth and Fire Management Officer for the Western Division Jim Reinhardt; **D. CARSON CITY FISCAL YEAR 1994-95 BUDGET (1-0825) -** Community Counseling Center Board of Directors President Tom Hughes and Director Roger Williams, Golf Pro Gary Bushman, Golf Course Superintendent Bob Townsend, and Finance Director Mary Walker; **AND E. CARSON CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (1-0801) -** Following review of the supporting documentation, the Board discussed with staff/representatives the following: the Hospital's occupancy rate; influx in Medicare patients; proposed Federal Medicare reimbursement changes; staffing costs; necessary funding to continue the Wildlife Center until after the election and, if necessary, until new homes for the animals could be found; (1-1205) the decrease/stabilization in play at the golf course; the need for a working capital; the proposed effluent charge and its impact on the courses; the amount of funds which should be maintained as a reserve for the bond debt; the changes implemented by Mr. Bushman; projected increase in rounds; the number of seniors who play the course; competitiveness of the rates; status of the nine-hole executive course; the capital maintenance and replacement program; and the need to analyze the periods when punch cards are used and other revenue options.

Mayor Teixeira commended the Hospital on its ability to function without support from the ad valorem taxes and its ability to meet the growing demands. Comments were solicited on the Hospital Budget but none made. Mr. Ashworth noted there had been no changes between the Tentative and Final Budgets for the Sierra Forest Fire Protection District. Comments were solicited on this budget but none made. Mayor Teixeira thanked them for coming. Mr. Conklin presented the Clerk and Board with copies of his proposed budget. His reluctance to seek financial support from the residents was noted. Support for the Center was noted. Supervisor Smith requested the

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Wildlife Center be placed on the one shot list. Mayor Teixeira commended Mr. Conklin on his efforts to establish and maintain the Center. (1-0580) Allen Six and (1-0615) Maureen Christianson supported the Wildlife Center. Mr. Six gave the Board (which the Clerk received after the meeting) a packet of drawings from his day-care center supporting the Center. He also included a flyer seeking public support for the Center. Ms. Christianson urged the Board to fund the Center and not put the question before the electorate. Mayor Teixeira reminded Mr. Conklin that the Board needed to give the Clerk the question on or before July 18. Mr. Hughes gave the Board and Clerk a packet of information. Supervisor Bennett placed the Community Counseling Center on the first cut list. Mr. Berkich apologized to Mr. Bushman for failing to notify him of the last budget hearing and the Board for the inconvenience. Supervisor Ayres commended Mr. Bushman and Mr. Townsend on their ability to work with RSVP when putting on a tournament. (1-2475) Supervisor Bennett and commended them on their efforts. Additional comments were solicited but none made.

BREAK: A 15 minute recess was declared at 7:10 p.m. When the meeting reconvened the entire Board was present constituting a quorum.

(1-2540) Ms. Walker discussed with the Board her memo regarding "Finalization of City Budget" and its recommendations. Discussion ensued between Ms. Walker and the Board on the proposed fee increases for the Community Center and pool; the need to evaluate other Departmental fee structures; the amount left for supplemental requests, and the items/funding amounts which had been added to the final lists of funding requests. Ms. Walker indicated the Wildlife Center would have to be reconsidered if the approved by the electorate as the tax could not be implemented until July 1, 1995. Some ADA requirements are to be funded from the Insurance Account. Following discussion Supervisor Bennett directed and Supervisor Ayres seconded her direction to staff to begin the process to increase Nevada Bell's franchise fees. **Supervisor Bennett then moved that the Board of Supervisors direct the City Manager to proceed with negotiations with Nevada Bell on a one percent increase to the franchise fee and its expansion to include all telephone carriers for a business license fee. Supervisor Ayres seconded the motion. Motion was voted by roll call with the following result: Ayres - Smith, Tatro, Ayres; Bennett, and Mayor Teixeira. Nays - None. Motion carried 5-0.**

(1-3086) Discussion ensued on whether to continue defraying the fire station debt from the ad valorem rate. Supervisor Bennett moved that the Board of Supervisors implement the reinstatement of the Fire Station Ad Valorem Tax for the reduction of the fire station debt. Supervisor Ayres seconded the motion. Motion was voted by roll call with the following result: Tatro - No; Smith - No; Ayres - Yes; Bennett - Yes; and Mayor Teixeira - No. Motion failed on a 2-3 vote. This action left a balance for on-going funding of \$122,000.

Discussion ensued on the funding requested for the Capital Improvement Program and funding available from the Ad Valorem one-shot revenue provided by Statutes. These funds would only be available during the 94-95 tax year. **Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board adopt AB 104 Makeup Tax and the Revenue Stabilization Tax for this fiscal year. Supervisor Bennett seconded the motion.** Discussion ensued on the sunset period for the AB 104 tax. Ms. Walker indicated if the Board wished to continue the tax for Fiscal Year 95-96, the Board would have to reinstate it. **The motion to implement the AB 104 Make-Up and Revenue Stabilization taxes were voted by roll call with the following result: Smith - No; Ayres - Yes; Bennett - Yes; Tatro - Yes; and Mayor Teixeira - Yes. Motion carried 4-1.**

Discussion ensued on the amount of one-shot revenue available and, with Sheriff McGrath, (2-0001) the funding requested to match a federal grant which would provide additional deputies. This funding had been requested for three years. At the end of that period, the positions will be terminated if the Board does not provide the funds for the positions. Sheriff McGrath expressed the hope that other grants will be available at that time to retain the deputies. Supervisor Bennett then removed the request for alternative sentencing funding from the list as other funding options had been found. Supervisor Tatro expressed concern about the impact the additional deputies would have on the District Attorney's office and Court system. He urged the Board to include additional staffing in these areas. Supervisor Smith reminded the Board that it takes five deputies to put one officer on the street for each shift. Supervisor Bennett felt that the failure to implement the fire ad valorem tax would significantly impact

the City's level of service. She emphatically urged the Board to reconsider the tax if funding is inadequate. Mayor Teixeira iterated his reasons for not wishing to reconsider this issue including other funds which he felt should be tapped first. He then requested each Member indicate his/her top three priorities. When three or more Members have indicated the same item, it will be placed in the budget. Under this procedure the following on-going items were to be funded: the communications operator emergency medical program at \$44,950; Deputy District Attorney-criminal; and Building Maintenance technician/tradesman. (2-0492) Supervisor Smith stated for the record that it was unfortunate that the Board will not be able to consider the branch library. He had requested it be placed on the list in the hope that funding could be found. He urged the supporters to seek a ballot initiative.

(2-0877) Discussion following on the one-shot items with the same procedure being followed. Clarification, however, indicated SPAN and the Capital Improvement Program were considered part of the one-shot items and required Board action. (2-1079) **Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board approve SPAN at \$205,639, Building Maintenance at \$100,000, minor capital at \$107,275, for a total of \$412,914. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. Motion was voted and carried 5-0.**

Discussion ensued on Supervisor Bennett's suggestion that the Board allocate \$300,000 for community projects and allow the Capital Improvement Program Committee to allocate the balance in addition to its support for or against various items on the CIP list. The vehicle replacement program was supported, however, level of funding was questioned. **Supervisor Ayres then moved to approve \$217,000 for Vehicle Maintenance replacement program. Supervisor Tatro seconded the motion. Motion was voted and carried 4-1 with Supervisor Bennett voting Naye based on her feeling that if the Board had funded ten of the 14 vehicles, it would free up about \$75,000 and still replace ten of the 15 vehicles, which was the direction she recommended going.**

(2-1425) Supervisor Smith moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the Health Department underground storage tank's \$90,000. Supervisor Tatro seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board approve the Library retrofit bathrooms to meet ADA standards at \$52,500. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. Discussion noted the balance had been addressed with insurance funds. The motion was voted and carried 5-0.

Supervisor Bennett moved that the Board of Supervisors approve the funding of one fire engine for \$210,000. Supervisor Tatro seconded the motion. Comments were solicited but none made. Motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board approve \$350,000 for the Parks Building Maintenance. Supervisor Ayres seconded the motion. Mayor Teixeira elaborated on his concerns about this request based on his feeling that the facility could be constructed for \$300,000. Mr. Berkich indicated that the facility would be constructed toward the budget established and suggested some of the work could be accomplished in-house. The motion was voted by roll call with the following result: Bennett - No; Smith - No; Ayres - Yes; Tatro = Yes; and Mayor Teixeira - No. Motion failed on a 2-3 vote.

Supervisor Smith then moved that the Board of Supervisors fund the Parks Maintenance building to \$300,000. Supervisor Tatro seconded the motion. Motion was voted by roll call with the following result: Ayes - due to the feeling this was the best she would get - Ayres, Bennett, Tatro, Smith, and Mayor Teixeira. Naves - None. Motion carried 5-0.

(2-1555) Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board approve \$50,000 for the Community Center stage rigging. Supervisor Bennett seconded the motion. Motion was voted and carried 5-0.

Supervisor Tatro moved that the Board approve \$23,500 for the Parks playground equipment replacement program. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor Ayres moved that the Board approve \$55,045 for the cemetery development. Supervisor Bennett

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seconded the motion. Supervisor Smith expressed his concern about this proposal even though he felt improvement was warranted. He suggested evaluating the feasibility of having the cemetery operate as an enterprise or be privatized. Following Supervisor Tatro's suggestion for an amendment, Supervisor Ayres amended her motion to allocate the funding and prohibit expenditure of the funds until the feasibility of the investment is studied relative to an enterprise fund or privatization. Supervisor Bennett continued her second. Benefits of this proposal were discussed. The motion was voted by roll call with the following result: Tatro - Yes; Smith - No; Bennett - Yes; Ayres - Yes; and Mayor Teixeira - No. Motion carried 3-2.

(2-1761) Discussion ensued on the "energy management control" needs for the pool. No action was taken on this item.

BREAK: A twelve minute recess was declared at 8:30 p.m. When the meeting reconvened at 8:42 p.m., the entire Board was present constituting a quorum.

Supervisor Smith requested \$50,000 for the Library book budget be added to the list of one-shot items. The nomination procedure was followed and established the following items for funding: (2-1907) Wildlife Basin - \$32,200; Project CARE - \$2,000; Community Council on Youth; Sheriff's Office Reserve uniform allowance - \$9,500; library books - \$30,000; Advocates to End Domestic Violence - \$7,000; personal computer for Personnel - \$2,500; Urban Forester - \$6,000; Latch Key scholarships - \$10,000; and training for the Planning Commission - \$2,500.

(2-1958) Jan Kettner explained that the funding for Community Council on Youth would permit permanent staffing and keep the office running so that funding could be raised for other youth agencies. Supervisor Smith noted that the funding source would only provide funding for one year. Discussion indicated that one year would allow time for other funding alternatives to be analyzed/attempted.

(2-2925) Mayor Teixeira commended the Board on having done its homework.

Supervisor Ayres moved to adjourn. Ms. Walker explained the procedure remaining including the plan for a fifteen meeting next Thursday. The meeting scheduled for tomorrow was cancelled. No discussion or action was taken on the Redevelopment Budget. Mayor Teixeira seconded the motion to adjourn which carried unanimously. Mayor Teixeira adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's office. This tape is available for review and inspection during normal business hours.

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ARE SO APPROVED ON _____, 1994.

Marv Teixeira, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kiyoshi Nishikawa, Clerk-Recorder