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**SPARKS CITY COUNCIL CONCURRENT MEETING  
WITH RENO CITY COUNCIL, AND THE WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**8:30 A.M., Monday, December 8, 2014  
Washoe County Chambers, 1001 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Reno, NV**

**1. Call to Order** (Time: 8:30 a.m.)

The regular meeting of the Sparks City Council was called to order by Mayor Geno Martini at 8:30 a.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance** (Time: 8:30 a.m.)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Reno Mayor Hillary Schieve.

**3. Roll Call** (Time: 8:32 a.m.)

Mayor Geno Martini, Council Members Julia Ratti, Ed Lawson, Ron Smith, Charlene Bybee, City Manager Steve Driscoll, City Attorney Chet Adams and City Clerk Teresa Gardner, PRESENT.

ABSENT: Council Member Ron Schmitt

**4. Public Comment** (Time: 8:32 a.m.)

Frank Partlow spoke regarding SAGE (Spending and Government Efficiency) Nevada. Kelly Hyatt spoke of concern with wild horses. Paula Penrod commented on Uber and licensing of independent drivers. Marilee Wintz spoke of the dangers associated with illegal shooting near the trail on Peavine. Kent Ervin commented on public safety at the Peavine Trail. Dr. Pat Collatti spoke regarding wild horses. Sam Dehne commented on local government.

**5. Approval of the Agenda (For Possible Action)** (Time: 8:53 a.m.)

Consideration of taking items out of sequence, deleting items and adding items which require action upon a finding that an emergency exists.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to approve the agenda as submitted. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

**6. Presentation – Background and overview regarding jurisdictional preparedness related to the regional impacts of accelerated economic development, specifically with respect to the upcoming Tesla project. [Andrew Clinger, Manager, City of Reno; Steve Driscoll, Manager, City of Sparks; John Slaughter, Manager, Washoe County]** (Time: 8:54 a.m.)

An agenda item from Sparks City Manager Steve Driscoll, along with Reno City Manager Andrew Clinger and Washoe County Manager John Slaughter, presenting the agenda to provide background information and an overview regarding the Tesla project and regional preparedness.

**7. Presentation and discussion of projected demographic and population changes related to the regional impacts of accelerated economic development, specifically with respect to the upcoming Tesla project, and their implications relating to housing and education [Kim Robinson, Executive Director, Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency] (Time: 8:57 a.m.)**

Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency Executive Director Kim Robinson presented information regarding growth based on the consensus forecast, traffic volumes, demographics, future housing, Tesla and the partnership with EDAWN (Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada).

Public Comment provided by Sam Dehne regarding Tesla and Uber.

Council Member Lawson discussed the benefits, including federal funding, available through the Western Nevada Development District (WNDD) which represents 9 counties and encouraged all to participate.

A motion was made by Council Member Bybee, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to accept the report presented by Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

**8. Presentation and discussion of water resource capacity and projected demands for service related to the regional impacts of accelerated economic development, specifically with respect to the upcoming Tesla project [John Erwin, Director of Natural Resources, Planning and Management, Truckee Meadows Water Authority; Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager, Western Regional Water Commission] (Time: 9:21 a.m.)**

Truckee Meadows Water Authority Director of Natural Resources, Planning and Management John Erwin presented information on the Truckee River flow variability, raw river water supply variability, users of the Truckee River, and water rights. Western Regional Water Commission Water Resource Program Manager Jim Smitherman presented the regional water management plan and water resources planning.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Bybee, to accept the report presented by the Truckee Meadows Water Authority and Western Regional Water Commission. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

**9. Presentation and discussion of wastewater capacity and projected demands for service related to the regional impacts of accelerated economic development, specifically with respect to the upcoming Tesla project [John Flansberg, Director of Public Works, City of Reno; Neil Krutz, Deputy City Manager for Community**

**Services, City of Sparks; Dave Solaro, Division Director for Community Services, Washoe County]** (Time: 10:21 a.m.)

The City of Sparks Deputy City Manager for Community Services Neil Krutz, along with City of Reno Director of Public Works John Flansberg and Washoe County Division Director Dwayne Smith, presented information in the Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan for 2011-30 including water supply, water quality, sanitary sewerage, sewage treatment, storm water drainage and flood control. Sewage treatment does have elasticity with capacity but will need improvements and it will be necessary for all three jurisdictions to fund capital improvement plan budgets.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to accept the wastewater treatment current capacity and preparedness report. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

**10. Comments from the Councils, Commissions, Boards, Managers and District Health Officer** (Time: 11:16 a.m.)

Discussion was held regarding the next joint meeting and information (frequency of joint meetings, education, transportation, marijuana, licensing of transportation companies, regional wild horses, shooting in congested areas, etc.). The Mayors/Managers will meet to determine the future agenda.

**11. Public Comment** (Time: 11:23 a.m.)

Mickey Hazelwood expressed appreciation for regional collaboration and stated concern with growth and the Truckee River. Garth Elliott said he supports regional collaboration, and does not think Washoe County is business friendly.

**12. Adjournment** (Time: (Time: 11:23 a.m.)

A motion was made by Council Member Ratti, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adjourn. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

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GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Teresa Gardner, City Clerk

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