

# City of Sparks

## EPA Brownfields Grant Summary and Accomplishments

### City Council Presentation

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CONVERSE CONSULTANTS

# INTRODUCTIONS

## *City of Sparks*

- Karen Melby, Brownfields Project Manager
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## *Consultant Team*

- Converse Consultants
- Kleinfelder
- GoodStanding, Inc.



# What We Will Hear This Afternoon

- ***Brownfields Site Assessment Grant***
- ***Project Accomplishments***
- ***Questions/Review of EPA Brownfields Program and Grants Awarded to City of Sparks***
- ***Scope of EPA***



# What is the “Brownfields Program”?



What is a Brownfields property ?  
“..... real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence, or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollution or contamination.”

EPA Brownfields Program provides funding to help communities clean up and clear properties of environmental contamination by paying for Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments along with clean up plans, if needed.

# Scope of EPA Brownfields Site Assessment Grants

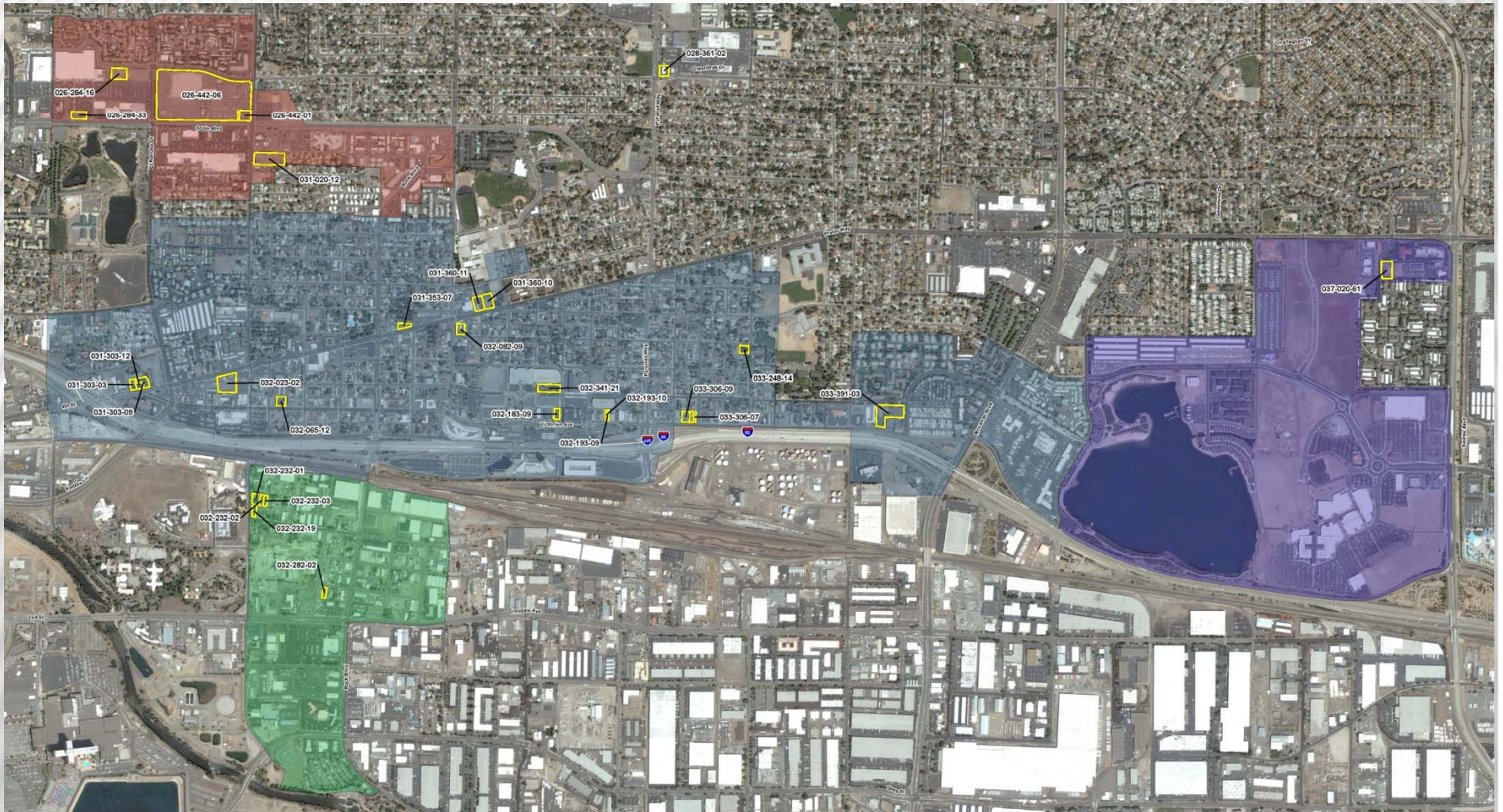
## Site Assessment Grant

- The City obtained a \$400,000 EPA grant in the Fall 2009
- To assess properties in the Redevelopment Districts
- The goal of the grant was to identify properties that may have real or perceived environmental issues that are blocking redevelopment.
- The properties assessed through this grant are highlighted on the attached map:





# Brownfields Sites



# OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE GRANT

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Commitment</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>
Conduct Preliminary Assessments	28 Parcels	30 Parcels
Conduct Soil and Groundwater Sampling	8 Parcels	11 Parcels
Prepare Site Cleanup Plans	0 Parcels	1 Parcel

The Grant was able to clear 28 parcels for redevelopment.



# BENEFITS TO THE CITIZENS OF SPARKS

- Sale of two City owned parcels for redevelopment. These parcels are now on the tax roll.
- 28 Properties cleared for redevelopment
- Private property and public properties owners were able to assess their properties and remove environmental concerns or issues to create the sites for future development.
- Encourage infill projects by removing environmental concerns/issues





# HIGHLIGHTED SITES



Formerly Pacific Pawn Brokers  
now B Street Cafe





Formerly a trashed property and now under construction to be Aspen Village – affordable housing





# PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

## Properties that have been sold:

Big O Tires, 1604 Pyramid Way  
Windsor Inn, 60 Victorian Ave.  
2400 Oddie Blvd.  
916 and 918 Victorian Ave.  
1600 Prater Way

## Properties being actively marketed:

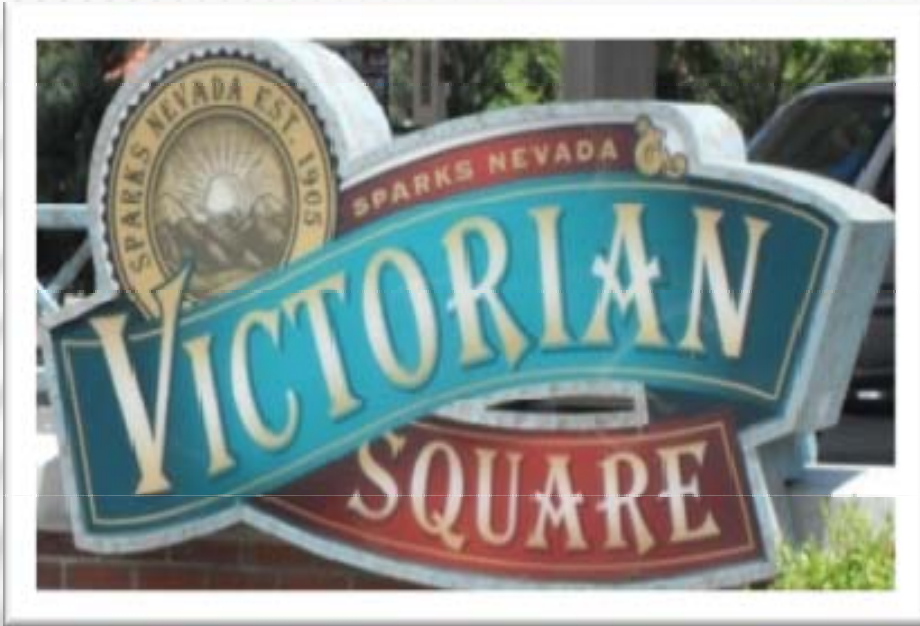
Top Gun Motors, 2153 Prater Way  
5 parcels in Conductor Heights (presently owned by Airport Authority)  
502 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
2390 Oddie Blvd.

## Pending development or under construction:

1410 Sullivan Way (affordable housing project)  
2240 Oddie Blvd. (infill project with commercial and housing)



# QUESTIONS – COMMENTS



**Any Questions  
or Comments?**

