

**CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
June 8, 2011**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Piechota called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m., in the Council Chambers Conference Room, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada.

**CONFIRMATION OF POSTING AND ROLL CALL**

Stacie Welsh confirmed the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law by posting the agenda three working days prior to the meeting at City Hall, Multigenerational Center, Whitney Ranch Recreation Center, and Fire Station No. 96.

Present: Chairman Thomas Piechota  
Jeffrey Bassing  
Adrienne Cox  
Amanda Cyphers  
Larry Dillon  
Richard King  
Maureen Murphy  
Paula Petruso  
Rev. Jim Robinson

Absent: Brin Gibson (excused)  
William Ishman (excused)  
Michael Rogers  
Mark Stark (excused)  
Matthew Weinman (excused)  
Melodee Wilcox (excused)

Staff: Stacie Welsh, Projects Coordinator  
Ned Thomas, Principal Planner  
Tedio Jackson, Minutes Clerk

## **II. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

(Motion) Mr. King introduced a motion to accept the agenda as submitted, seconded by Ms. Murphy. The vote favoring approval was unanimous. Chairman Piechota declared the motion carried.

## **III. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

### **1. Approve April 13, 2011, CAC Minutes**

The following corrections were noted: Ms. Cyphers should be shown as present on the cover page. Page 3, paragraph 2, delete “Stacie.”

(Motion) Mr. King introduced a motion to approve the April 13, 2011, minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Dillon. The vote favoring approval was unanimous. Chairman Piechota declared the motion carried.

### **2. Discuss “Our Henderson” Link Page**

Ms. Welsh reviewed slight modifications to the “Our Henderson” link page as follows: A line was added that says “Our site for sustainability News and Information,” and the City seal was added to the middle bottom of the page. Regarding the “Share Your Story” link, Ms. Welsh showed photographs of the Gibson Elementary School community garden project lead by Lexi and played the video of Lucas’ recycling project.

The committee members provided positive feedback that the “Our Henderson” page is user friendly and provides good information for residents. Mr. Bassing expressed appreciation for keeping the site clean and easy to use, he felt it was important this continued to ensure the CAC’s vision for easy customer use. The members liked the simplicity of the site and how the text was not crowded by lots of verbiage and crowded links and pictures. Mr. Dillon thanked Ms. Welsh and everyone who helped developed the site. Ms. Welsh noted that staff is continuing with minor adjustments; however, this page will be completed for the presentation to the City Council on June 21, 2011.

The following suggestions were made:

- Add a link to the Facebook page to allow comments and sharing of information on a larger scale
- Add a link for questions to connect directly to the Contact Henderson request page
- Add other websites with cost-saving information such as the Federal Department of Energy and Southern Nevada

### **3. Discuss upcoming CAC Council Presentation**

Chairman Piechota will give a presentation to the City Council on June 21, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. All members were invited to attend this meeting. Chairman Piechota will show the website, and review the Committee's accomplishments regarding recycling efforts and recognize Lexi Lopez for her community garden at Gibson Elementary and Lucas Shaw for increasing residential recycling in his Seven Hills neighborhood from 29% to 92%.

### **4. Receive an update on Henderson Shines**

Ms. Petruso commented that the Henderson Shines event was successful and provided valuable information.

Ms. Welsh reported that staff was pleased with the number of residents who attended this event. There was a very long line of cars with people wanting to drop off recyclable items; however, many of these people did not visit the booths due to the location. Staff learned that residents need to be educated on how to safely transport hazardous waste. She noted that staff plans to schedule another Henderson Shines event in the fall and will improve location of the booths as well as communication and marketing to increase attendance. Ms. Welsh will send pictures of this event to the committee members

### **5. Receive the Recycling Project Outline**

Ms. Welsh reviewed an aggressive recycling project outline for the committee's next project. She will send the schedule to committee members as soon as the curriculum is finalized and guest speakers are identified. Site tours may be scheduled twice a day in an effort to make sure all committee members have a chance to visit the sites.

## **IV. STAFF'S/CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS**

Sam Bateman was elected to replace Steve Kirk for Councilman Ward IV. Since Mr. King, Ms. Petruso, and Ms. Wilcox were appointed by Councilman Kirk, it was suggested that they contact Mr. Bateman to discuss whether they wish to remain a member of this committee. Mr. Bateman will be sworn into office at the June 21, 2011, City Council meeting.

It was noted that Councilwoman Debra March is looking to fill a vacancy for Mark Stark, who submitted a letter of resignation.

Committee member Michael Rogers has not attended a meeting since December, so staff will contact Councilwoman Kathleen Boutin to see about replacing him.

Responding to an inquiry by Ms. Cox regarding a report on how the City is addressing economic financial issues, staff suggested that this information is available to residents under budget information of the Finance Department at the City of Henderson website.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments presented.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be discussed, Chairman Piechota adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tedie Jackson,  
Minutes Clerk