

MINUTES
LAS VEGAS-CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
MAY 19, 2005
(Approved June 9, 2005)

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District met in the Las Vegas Library, Las Vegas, Nevada, at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 19, 2005.

Present: Board: E. Sanchez, Chair
V. Davis-Hoggard, Member
K. Carter, Member
A. Arthurholtz, Member

Counsel: G. Welt

Staff: Daniel L. Walters, Executive Director
Numerous Staff

Guest: Calvin J. Champlin, AIC
President, Quadrant Planning

Chair E. Sanchez, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call As listed above.

Agenda Chair Sanchez moved to approve the Agenda as proposed. There was no opposition and the motion carried.

Discussion and direction to staff on a planning study of the Enterprise Library service area. (Item III.A.)

Executive Director Daniel Walters updated the Committee on the circumstances under which the LVCCLD had been approached with offers to purchase the Enterprise Library site. In light of current population trends and planned use for the property surrounding the Enterprise Library, the Executive Director determined that new planning information would help determine if the public could be better served by relocating or reconfiguring the existing facility. He introduced Calvin Champlin, President of Quadrant Planning, whose consulting and research firm specializes in land use planning, major projects/master plans and geographic information systems analysis and mapping.

Based on the analysis of previous and current Enterprise and West Henderson planned land use and related demographic data, Quadrant Planning offered observations to assist the Library District in making informed decisions concerning the Enterprise Library's current location. Mr. Champlin noted that the study was not meant to offer a conclusion as to the disposition of the Enterprise Library, nor to provide analysis of alternative library sites, but to provide the District with organized data to make informed decisions concerning the facility's current location. He did say that the Enterprise site is in the middle of the most intense growth corridor in the entire valley.

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Committee members were shown maps and given statistical analyses from three different study areas. After hearing Mr. Champlin's report, all agreed that the potential of 50,000 people in a two-mile radius of Enterprise justifies keeping the library where it is, but there are mitigating circumstances that factor in to evaluating other locations in close proximity to the current one. It was concluded that any decision would involve close scrutiny and that the best interest of current and future residents dictates staying in the heart of the Enterprise area.

It was agreed that a large block of time should be set aside for a retreat in the fall to study this subject in greater depth.

Discussion and direction to staff regarding planning for future Board Agenda topics and discussions. No action will be taken. (Item III.B.)

Chair Sanchez opened discussion regarding the priorities, focus and strategies for LVCCLD's future goals.

Executive Director Walters stated that the upcoming Budget presentation will show the financial challenges facing the District. Looking back at the post-bond issue construction estimates, today's costs may be 50% higher than previously estimated.

If construction inflation continues at 50% of its current rate, and if a new facility were to be built at Centennial Hills earlier than staff could be moved from Green Valley, a potential savings of a couple of million dollars could be realized. However, until staff can be shifted from Green Valley, the District would not have the resources to open the new Library. Walters advised that if the Board moved ahead with any construction in order to limit the impact of construction inflation, savings could occur but the building could not be operated until 2009.

Committee members voiced concern about the public's perception of having a new building sitting empty until the Green Valley transfer, even if it did save two million dollars.

An outline of related planning issues will be brought back to the Board for further consideration in July or August for planning the fall retreat.

Announcements (Item IV.)

None

Public Comment (Item V.)

None

Adjournment (Item VI.)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Sanchez, Committee Chair