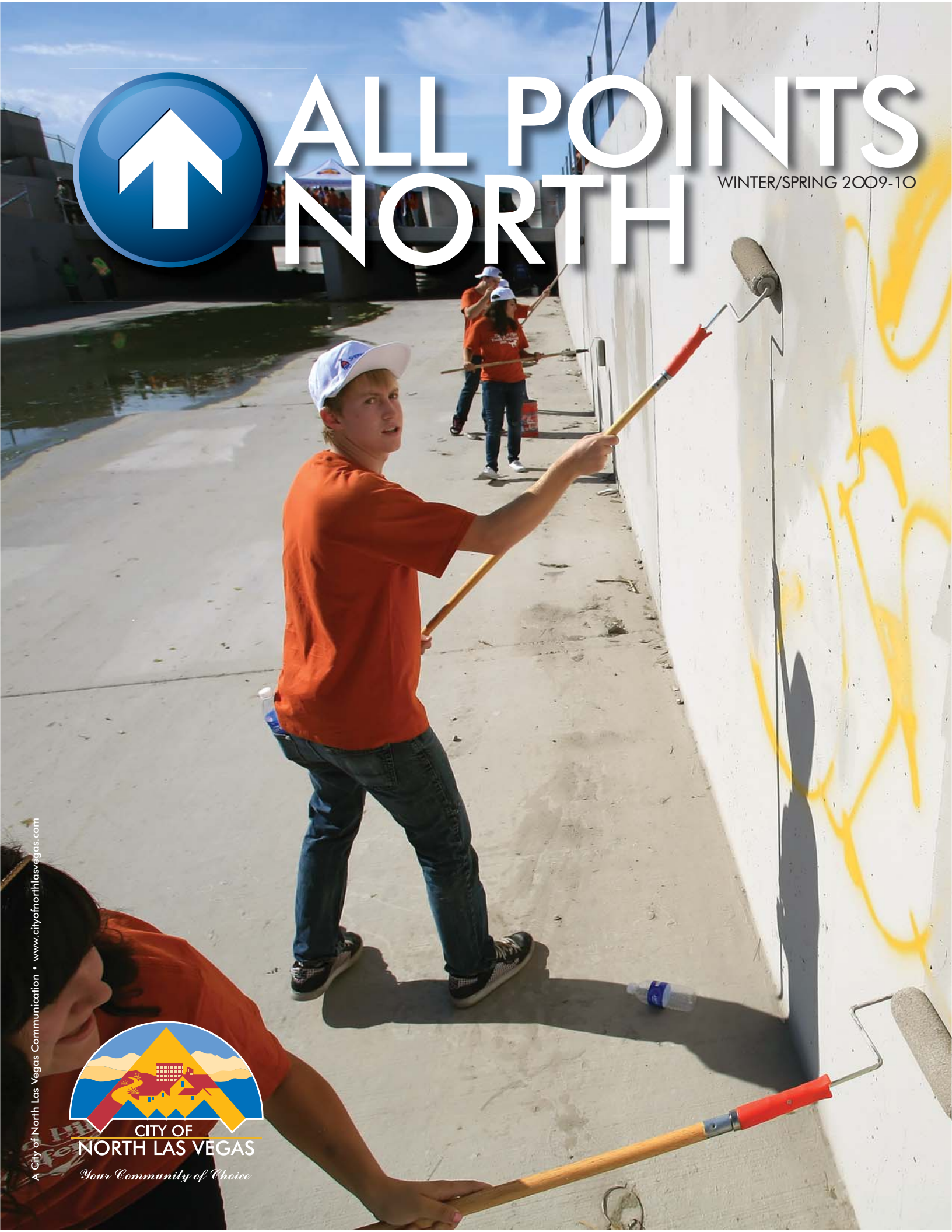




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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month,
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2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month,
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2nd Tuesday of every month,
5:45 p.m., City Council Chambers



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CITY RECEIVES RECOGNITION

The City of North Las Vegas is one of 18 jurisdictions this year to receive a Certificate of Distinction from the International City/County Management Association Center for Performance Measurement for its reporting of performance data to the public through budgets, newsletters, and information provided to elected officials.

This is the fifth year the City has been recognized by ICMA and the first year it has surpassed its accomplishment of the past four years, in which it obtained the Certificate of Achievement. The Certificate of Distinction required the City to excel in a greater number of reporting categories, including staff training and data verification efforts to ensure the data's reliability, demonstrated use and sharing of performance data in strategic planning and management decision-making, and sharing of performance measurement knowledge with other local governments through presentations, site visits and other networking.

"The City is proud to receive recognition for our ongoing dedication



to transparent government and accountability," City Manager Gregory E. Rose said.

The Certificate of Distinction also recognizes the success of its annual Performance Report as a means for accountability, transparency and performance measurement.

ICMA is a professional organization for chief appointed managers, administrators, and assistants in local governments across the globe. The association aims to promote accountability, transparency and quality of service delivery to the general public.

WEBCAM CAPTURES CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION

The City's Public Works Department has installed a Web camera that captures progress on the construction of the new North Las Vegas City Hall and Civic Plaza, 2250 Las Vegas Boulevard North.

Residents can access the view from the City's website at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com.

The City began construction of the new City Hall in June. The project is expected to be complete by summer 2011, and open to the public in October 2011.

Construction of the new City Hall is projected to cost about \$130 million. It will be built on a 12-acre site. It will replace the existing 28,923 square-foot City Hall at 2200 Civic Center Drive with a proposed 210,400 square-foot, 9-story building designed to consolidate



municipal services and support the City's growth in upcoming years.

The new City Hall building is expected to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver Certification, becoming City's first LEED Certified building. The LEED Green Building Rating System is a third-party certification program and the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings.

CREATIVE COST CUTTING UNDERWAY

In response to shrinking revenues resulting from the current economic slump, North Las Vegas is looking to its experts – its employees – to find creative ways to save taxpayer money.

Some 233 randomly selected employees have participated in focus groups where they were asked for cost saving and cost containing suggestions.

The groups were tasked with coming up with ideas on how to improve services without increasing costs; to find ways of becoming more efficient without decreasing services or increasing costs; to suggest areas where City expenses may be unnecessary, wasteful or excessive; and to provide ideas to reduce spending.

Suggestions from each focus group will be compiled into a report for City Manager Gregory Rose to review. Rose may then ask a committee to follow up on the suggestions to help



him determine which ideas could be implemented immediately and to investigate which ideas require more information.

For more information about this project, contact Human Resources Director Joyce Lira at (702) 633-1159, or via email at liraj@cityofnorthlasvegas.com.



CITY DECKS THE HALLS

The North Las Vegas Mayor and City Council invite residents to join them for the festive Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 2 in the City Hall Foyer, 2200 Civic Center Drive.

The ceremony includes light refreshments and holiday entertainment. For more information, call (702) 633-1007.

YARD SALE SAVVY

Having a yard sale in North Las Vegas could be good business, especially as nicer weather brings people out for walks in the neighborhood.

But before propping up a table and swinging open that garage door, North Las Vegans need to obtain a yard sale permit. The permits are free. Yard sale permits can be requested in person at the Code Enforcement office at 4040 Losee Road.

Yard sale permit request forms are available online at the City's Web site, www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com. Permit requests also can be faxed to 633-5278.

According to City ordinances, no more than two garage sales, not exceeding three consecutive days in length for each sale, may be conducted at any location during a 12-month period.

Signs can be placed on private property with authorization from the property owner, and those signs must be removed immediately upon completion of the sale. Advertising for garage sales is prohibited on public property, including traffic rights-of-way.

GARDENERS PLANT WINTER CROP

On a warm September morning, some 15 volunteer senior citizens dug deep into dark soil and planted a winter garden.

The seniors are residents of the North Las Vegas Housing Authority's Rose Garden Development – home of the City's first ADA compliant pilot community garden. The garden is intended to strengthen the community, while providing a living example of green, sustainable living.

The group, trained and certified by volunteer members of the University of Nevada, Reno Cooperative Extension, planted root vegetables, including beets, chard, mustard greens, thyme, oregano, carrots and radishes. Prior to planting, they attended classes where they learned the science of selecting, planting, tending, pruning and



harvesting their fall-season crop.

The City's Parks & Recreation Department, Human Resources Volunteer Program and members of the UNR Cooperative Extension provided the seniors with the raised garden beds, masonry work, top soil, tool storage shed, irrigation system and gardening tools needed for the project.

NORTH LAS VEGAS



FREQUENTLY REQUESTED CITY PHONE NUMBERS

Business Licensing	633-1520
City Clerk	633-1030
Code Enforcement	633-1677
Communications	633-1556
Economic Development.....	633-1523
Fire Department	633-1102
General Services	633-1263
Graffiti Reporting	633-1871
Housing & Neighborhood Services	633-1532
Human Resources	633-1500
Job Line.....	633-1514
Library District.....	633-1070
Municipal Court.....	633-1130
Neighborhood Recreation Center	633-1600
Parks & Recreation.....	633-1600
Police Department.....	633-9111
Planning & Zoning.....	633-1537
Public Works Admin	633-1200
Public Works Traffic	633-1264
Silver Mesa Rec Center.	633-2550
Utilities Department.	633-1299
Water Billing	633-1484



COUNCIL NAMES ACTING CITY ATTORNEY

The City Council on Aug. 19, named Nicholas Vaskov as acting city attorney, effective Sept. 4. Vaskov has been with the City for five years and has served as the assistant city attorney, the second-highest post in the city attorney's office.

Vaskov replaces City Attorney Carie Torrence, who left the post to move to Boston. Her last day was Sept. 3.

"I'm pleased to have had the privilege to serve the City of North Las Vegas. I enjoyed working with the past and present Mayor and Council and all of the City's employees." Torrence said. "I am proud of the talented team of



employees in the City Attorney's Office and am confident that under Nick's leadership the office will continue to succeed. "



Did you know the City Clerk's Office offers U.S. passport services? Call 633-2759.

MUNICIPAL COURT WARRANTS NOTHING TO FEAR

North Las Vegas Municipal Court issues thousands of warrant notices every week. Despite their intimidating bold red ink, warrants shouldn't cause a panic.

People who receive warrants have a variety of options for closing their cases, paying fines and getting court dates if there are court-mandated requirements. People who receive warrants may qualify to be placed on a payment plan or sign up for the work program. Additionally, for those who are unable to appear at the court, resolving their cases could be just a phone call away.

By calling the Warrant Division, anyone unable to appear in person at the Court may request a Court Marshal to go to their home to collect payment and clear the warrant. Fines can be paid by check, credit or debit card or in cash.

If the Court does not receive a response after 14 days of the warrant issue date, the City Marshals will go to the home or place of employment of the person for whom the warrant was issued and try to resolve the case.

For more information or to learn what options are available for a particular warrant, call the Warrant Division at 633-6116.



DIRECTOR HONORED WITH EAGLE AWARD

The City Council recently recognized a department director for her dedication to excellence.

North Las Vegas General Services and Communications Director Brenda S. Fischer gracefully accepted the Eagle Award during the Sept. 16, City Council meeting.

"Brenda has made General Services one of the top performing departments in the organization. Through her leadership, she has reduced costs, increased efficiency, and established a clear direction for the department to move in," City Manager Gregory Rose said.

Fischer has held numerous positions as she's risen through the ranks of the City. She joined the City as public information officer in January 2001. She continues to serve in that role along with additional responsibilities. She took the post of assistant to the city manager

in September 2001. In September 2005, she took the position of director for the newly-formed Communications Department. In July 2008, Fischer took the helm of a second department, General Services, while maintaining leadership of the Communications Department. Throughout it all, she remains the voice of North Las Vegas.

"It's an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of North Las Vegas," Fischer said. "I share this award with an amazing team of individuals who work in General Services. They are dedicated to excellence and together we have saved the City more than \$2 million while improving our service delivery."

The following are among her most recent accomplishments:

- Overhauled the City's vehicle replacement criteria, resulting in a \$1.2 million savings;
- Began establishing contracts for fleet parts, saving more than \$10,000 to date;
- Implemented the EPA's "Get the Lead Out" program, removing more than 1,000 pounds of lead from City tires and parts stock;
- Began tracking salvaged parts and



adding them to the City's inventory, resulting in broad savings by re-using parts;

- Overhauled the City's vehicle disposal process, generating \$128,000 in revenue for the City;
- Initiated the City's first contracts with the state's Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation program that employs people with disabilities.

BETTER BUS SERVICE COMES TO NORTH LAS VEGAS

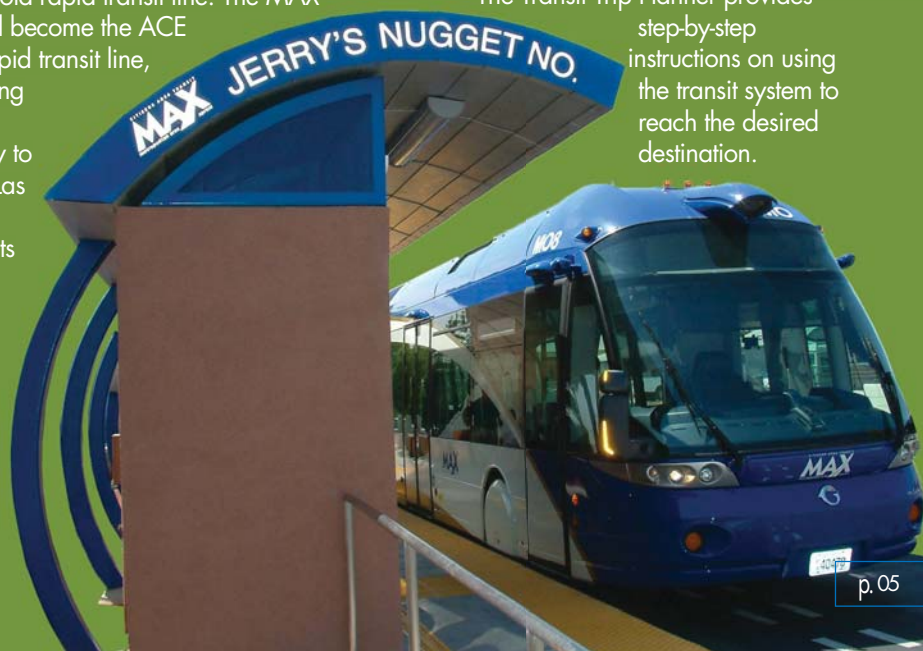
Bus service in North Las Vegas has never been better. Still, the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada is speeding up and adding services all the time - increasing convenience and opportunities for daily commuters to go green.

The RTC's Route 119 along Simmons Street now extends north past the Northern 215 Beltway to Aliante Parkway and stops at key destinations, including one at Aliante Station. RTC's Route 105 along Martin L. King Boulevard provides transit service to major shopping centers, and Route 219 along Craig Road provides service to important destinations, such as the Cannery Hotel and Casino and Craig Road retail corridor.

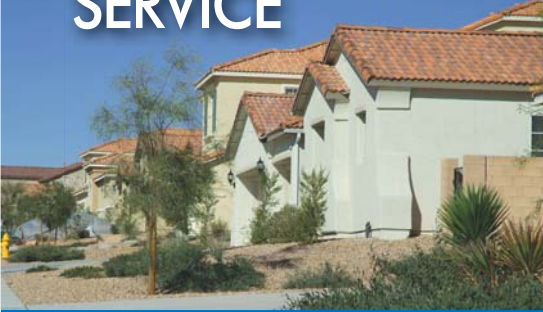
The City of North Las Vegas also is home to the RTC's first foray into rapid transit - the Metropolitan Area Express or MAX line. MAX is the popular line that operates along Las Vegas Boulevard North, and it soon will be receiving a major makeover. By next spring, the MAX line will link with the RTC's planned ACE Gold rapid transit line. The MAX line will become the ACE Blue rapid transit line, providing greater mobility to North Las Vegas residents and visitors.

For more information on the RTC's transit system, call (702) 228-RIDE (7433), or visit the website at www.rtcnv.com to find the RTC's Transit Trip Planner, powered by Google. Commuters can enter their starting point and destination with specifics, such as arrival time and how far they can walk.

The Transit Trip Planner provides step-by-step instructions on using the transit system to reach the desired destination.



OFFICE OF HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE



LOCAL TEENS LEND A HAND

More than 200 youths from a local church teamed with the City's Beautification Team to erase graffiti and clean up debris from the Las Vegas Wash.

Armed with buckets of paint and brushes, trash bags and shovels, the group covered graffiti over a five-mile span of the concrete wash near the intersection of Gowan Road and Civic Center Drive. They painted the wash and more than 250 gray posts with paint and supplies donated by Sherwin Williams Co. The group removed 14 cubic yards – a large truckload – of trash and debris. The wash was clean and graffiti free in two hours.

Volunteer efforts have become critical recently as the City strives to maintain a high level of service for residents during tough economic times.

"We've learned to do more with shrinking financial resources," said Steve Rehberger, the Beautification Team's supervisor. "We use volunteers from all over the City to help beautify high traffic areas. These young people were truly amazing. They got so much done in such a short time."

The City strives to remove graffiti within 48 hours of its being spotted by staff or reported by residents. To report graffiti, call the City's Graffiti Hotline at (702) 633-1871.



CITY RESIDENTS JOIN AGAINST VIOLENCE

The North Las Vegas Police Department and the Office of Housing and Neighborhood Services are pooling resources to prevent gang violence, specifically through the Rejuvenating Arrowhead Acres Project. The project is a widespread collaboration focused on protecting and rebuilding neighborhoods hard hit by gangs and violent crimes.

Arrowhead Acres is an area bound roughly by Las Vegas Boulevard North and Cartier Avenue to the north, Belmont Street to the east, Thomas Avenue to the south and Constitution Way to the east.

The project began as an extension of Operation Lasting Peace-Safe Village, a peace-keeping model that brings together law enforcement, service providers and the faith community to address the issues of violence in a community. The resources are deployed quickly to respond to incidents and to prevent retaliations.

The North Las Vegas approach incorporates an asset-based community building strategy to rejuvenate the community before violent incidents occur.

The project in Arrowhead Acres includes ongoing community events at

Joe Kneip Park, such as health fairs, food giveaways, anti-violence rallies and family fun days.

City staffers from the Office of Housing and Neighborhood Services work to put on fun, informative events with local groups, such as the Luz Community Coalition, a group that focuses on eliminated drug and alcohol abuse among the Latino community, and 10,000 Kids Partnership, which focuses on children's issues.

"We want people to have a good time and we want to be sure we get the message out about safe neighborhoods, healthy living and working together to make our communities strong," said Kathi Thomas-Gibson, the outreach coordinator for the City's Office of Housing and Neighborhood Services. Events are held the third Saturday of each month. Call (702) 633-1532 for more information.





NEVADA'S CENSUS 2010 CAMPAIGN – IT'S MORE THAN A SURVEY

North Las Vegas stand to gain power, jobs and money from participating in the upcoming U.S. Census 2010. Perhaps no other state in the country has more to gain from the Census than Nevada.

Power: Every 10 years, the U.S. Congress is reapportioned to give each state representation based on

population. Nevada now likely stands at the threshold of receiving a fourth Congressional seat, and by extension, a sixth Electoral Vote, which would result directly from the 2010 Census count.

Jobs: The 2010 Census will bring more than 4,000 jobs to the state during peak operations in May and June 2010. These are good paying, flexible jobs; field enumerators, for example, will start at \$14.50 per hour. Already, more than 1,300 people have begun working on Nevada's Census 2010 Campaign, strengthening the state's economy as they go. For more information on job opportunities call the Census Bureau's jobs hotline at (866) 861-2010.

Money: The Census could bring much-needed federal funding to government services Nevadans and North Las Vegasans use every day. A recent analysis by the Nevada State Data Center, Legislative Counsel Bureau and State Demographer looked at all the federal funding passed through to state and local governments. Much of that funding is allocated per capita, based on the Census headcount.

That analysis found that every man, woman and child missed by the Census represents \$917 in lost funding per person, every year for 10 years – that's \$9,170 per person over the 10-year period. Nevadans may disagree over the size of government and what it does, but they can all agree that Nevada should receive its fair share of federal funding.

The 2010 Census is about Nevadans counting Nevadans for the sake of Nevada. Anyone who represents an organization or business that wishes to work with the Census Bureau to promote Nevada's Census 2010 Campaign can send an email to David Byerman, chief government liaison for Nevada at david.a.byerman@census.gov or follow the campaign's progress via www.twitter.com/nvcensus.

CITY'S FINANCIAL REPORT WINS AWARD

The City of North Las Vegas this year received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, for its comprehensive annual financial report.

The financial report is a public document published each year. By state law, local governments are required to provide all financial statements for an annual audit to ensure the statements are a fair representation of financial activities. As part of the audits, testing is performed to ensure the local government is in full compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, grant

agreements and other related matters.

The award represents the highest form of recognition in government accounting and financial reporting and its attainment "represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management," according to the association.

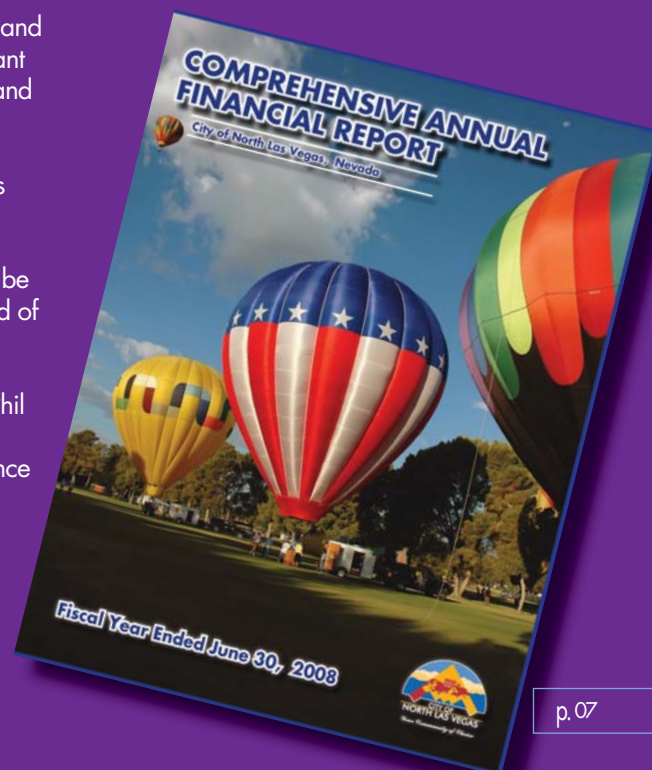
"This award shows the City has excellent and transparent financial practices," City Manager Gregory Rose said. "North Las Vegasans can be confident the City is a good steward of taxpayer dollars."

The award was presented to North Las Vegas Finance Director Phil Stoelckinger.

"We are committed to excellence in the interest of providing financial accountability to North Las Vegas residents," Stoelckinger said.

The Government Finance Officers Association is a nonprofit professional association serving 17,500 government finance

professionals throughout North America.



UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

NEWSPLASH

PAIN IN THE DRAIN

North Las Vegas is a proud member of the Pain in the Drain campaign. The campaign intends to encourage residents to not pour grease, cooking fat, oil and grit down the drain, and instead toss it in the trash. Each of these harmful substances can lead to clogged pipes and sewer lines, resulting in costly and inconvenient repairs.

Clogged sewer lines can result in raw sewage runoff going into homes and businesses, spilling onto streets or finding its way into storm drains and eventually into Lake Mead, Southern Nevada's primary source of drinking water.

The City of North Las Vegas in cooperation with Republic Services will provide free holiday oil recycling at the Gowan Recycling Center at 333 W. Gowan Road, every other Wednesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning Nov. 25, not including holidays.

For more information, visit the Pain in the Drain Web site at www.PainInTheDrain.com.



DRAINING POOLS AND SPAS

Recycling pool and spa water is crucial to water conservation, especially since the average in-ground pool holds more than 20,000 gallons. To properly drain a pool, follow these simple steps from the Southern Nevada Water Authority:

1. Shut off the power to the filtration system at the circuit breaker and turn off the automatic water fill valve.
2. Locate the clean-out port to access the sanitary sewer line. The port is usually located in the ground and close to the home in the front yard.
3. Run a drainage hose from the sewer clean-out port to the pool, and connect it to a submersible pump. Lower the pump into the deepest part of pool, near the drain. As it begins draining, monitor the water's flow into

the clean-out port to ensure that the water doesn't back up. If the water begins to back up, stop draining and contact a professional plumber. The maximum recommended discharge rate is 12 gallons per minute. Please note that any equipment inserted into a sewer pipe, such as a garden hose, should be considered contaminated and used only for similar purposes in the future.

4. After draining the pool, refill it as soon as possible. Direct sunlight can damage the pool's plaster if it's left exposed. It may take a few days to reach the proper chemical levels, so check the levels regularly.
5. For more information about draining pools or spas, call North Las Vegas Utilities at 633-1484, or visit the Utilities Department, 2829 Fort Sumter Dr. and pick up a brochure on draining pools and spas. Information also is available on the City's website at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com on the Utilities web page.

WATER WISELY FOR WINTER

Winter watering restrictions will be in effect from November to Feb. 28. These water conservation restrictions limit business and residential watering to one time per week on assigned watering days. All residents and businesses have been assigned a watering group that permits watering on specific days. Customers need to adjust their irrigation clocks to reflect the new watering schedule. The winter watering schedule is highlighted in the blue column as follows:

WATERING GROUP	WINTER November - February
A	Monday
B	Tuesday
C	Wednesday
D	Thursday
E	Friday
F	Saturday



KIDS LEARN TO CONSERVE

When it comes to being water smart, some of the City's wisest citizens are its children. The North Las Vegas Utilities Department is counting on them to learn how to conserve water and develop smart water habits for life.

As part of its community outreach program, the Utilities Department will be making presentations to third-graders at elementary schools throughout the City of North Las Vegas. The presentations teach children about the sources of water in the desert and the ways in which they can help conserve water.

The Utilities Department includes the Pain In The Drain campaign in the school presentation.

On Sept. 30, the Utilities Department participated in Eva G. Simmons Elementary School's annual Math and Science Night for the students to participate in educational activities and for the parents to get to know the teachers and office staff. Students tested



samples of Lake Mead water from different levels and learned about the importance of water quality.

The Utilities Department aims to teach children the vital importance of using water wisely and the proper care of the sewage system so they can help sustain their desert community well into the future. For information about water conservation, visit the City's website at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com.

To schedule a presentation, call Amanda Dillard at (702) 633-1877



FINANCE DIRECTOR SELECTED FOR LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Nevada League of Cities this year named North Las Vegas Finance Director Phil Stoeckinger to serve on the Legislative Committee on Local Government Finance.

The committee includes 11 members and is responsible for policy decisions and fiscal administration topics per state law. It also advises the state Department of Taxation on matters of local government fiscal administration.

"I'm honored to have been selected for this role," Stoeckinger said. "Being part of this committee also will allow me to help the City of North Las Vegas strengthen bonds with other entities and with the state as we work together to see our communities through these tough economic times."

Stoeckinger has been the City's finance director since June 2002. He previously has served on the Assembly Bill Technical Advisory Committee to the Legislature on Revenue and Taxation and on the Governor's Task Force on Tax Policy Technical Working Group.

WATER DOES THE BELLY GOOD

The Southern Nevada Water Authority recently created a public outreach program for expectant mothers.

The program is designed to inform pregnant women of the value and need for drinking water throughout their pregnancy. Tap water is the easiest and least expensive way for expectant mothers to drink the daily required amounts of water and to avoid the complications of pre-term labor due to dehydration. This program provides answers to the top ten questions about drinking water and pregnancy.

Tap water delivered by the City of North Las Vegas meets or surpasses all state of Nevada and federal drinking water standards. For a copy of the 2009 Water Quality Report, please visit the Utilities Department on 2829 Fort



Sumter Drive, or call Amanda Dillard at (702) 633-1877.

The City of North Las Vegas and the water authority have brochures about the new program available at service counters. The water authority also provides safe plastic water bottles at the North Vista Hospital, 1409 E. Lake Mead Blvd.

For more information, call the Southern Nevada Water Authority at (702) 258-3930.

NORTH LAS VEGAS



POLICE FORUM ONLINE

The North Las Vegas Police Chief's Advisory Council recently launched a new online forum, where the public can ask general questions about the North Las Vegas Police Department and get answers fast. All questions posted will receive an answer, though only select questions with answers most likely to help the general public will be posted on the forum.

This online forum is designed to strengthen the Police Department's partnership with the community, in keeping with the Chief's Advisory Council goals, which include giving the community a voice and access to information.

To learn more about the North Las Vegas Police Chief's Advisory Council or to access the forum, visit www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com/ca.



GET CRIMES STATS IN A FLASH

The North Las Vegas Police Department recently launched a web-based interactive crime search map. Known as Crime View Community Map, it provides data regarding crimes that have been reported in the City.

Users can view crime data by choosing a crime type in proximity to an address, intersection, school or other geographic point for a period of 1 to 90 days.

This information is updated every 24 hours to ensure accuracy, however, this preliminary data is based on calls



for service that officers respond to and is subject to change.

Citizens can access the interactive map 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the City of North Las Vegas website, www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com. Click on the Police Department's home page and follow the Crime View Community link.

LOOSE DOG! HOW TO STAY SAFE

North Las Vegas Animal Control officers offer the following safety tips for residents who encounter a strange dog on the loose.

- Call North Las Vegas Police Dispatch at (702) 633-1390 or dial 3-1-1, to give the location and a description of the dog.
- Do not look directly at the dog. Most dogs take that as a challenge.
- Do not approach the dog. This puts the animal on the defense.
- If the dog approaches, stand still. The dog might sniff the person it encounters and move on.
- If the dog attempts to bite, the person immediately should give it a purse, bag or anything else available to bite at and slowly remove themselves from the area. Immediately call 9-1-1.

North Las Vegas ordinances prohibit pet owners from allowing their animals to run at large or trespass on public or private property. Owners who allow their dogs to run at large could be fined as much as \$1,132.

SPAY/NEUTER SPOT

The City of North Las Vegas requires dogs and cats over the age of three months to be spayed or neutered. City ordinances allow exceptions for people with City-issued pet fancier permits and for pets whose veterinarians certify that they are medically unfit for the procedure.

"One of the most important goals for us at Animal Control is to reduce the overpopulation of unwanted animals in our City," said North Las Vegas Animal Control Manager Dale Smock. "Spaying and neutering your pet has the added benefit of helping to prevent certain health problems for it down the road."

For information about North Las Vegas Animal Control Division or pet sterilization call (702) 633-1750. Additional pet sterilization resources are available through the Heaven Can Wait

Sanctuary at (702) 227-5555 and the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society at (702) 434-2009.





FREE SECURITY SURVEYS

The Police Department's crime prevention specialists offer free security surveys of commercial and residential properties to help owners use their environment to reduce crime and improve the community's quality of life.

For a free survey call the Police Department Community Services Division at (702) 633-1808.

The surveys are conducted using methods of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design, or CPTED (pronounced SEP-TED). CPTED starts with site plans that show property boundaries, structures, and their respective locations on the site. During a Site Plan Review crime prevention specialists make recommendations, which include security strategies, natural surveillance, natural access control, territorial behavior, lighting, landscaping and traffic control.

The Community Services Division offers the following burglary trends and countermeasures.

- Burglars knock on the front door to see if anyone is home. When no one answers, they kick in the door or gain entry from a back window or glass slider.

Countermeasure: Homeowners should acknowledge their presence if they're home, but do not open the door. Call the police immediately if the situation seems

suspicious or hostile.

- Burglars obtain personal information and gain entry to homes by using stolen electric garage door remote controls.

Countermeasure: Drivers should secure garage door remote controls and DMV registration and insurance in a locked compartment, or take them out of the vehicle each time they leave it.

- Burglars gain access to homes through open garage doors and steal items.

Countermeasure: Keep garage doors closed when not attended and in use.

- Burglars zero-in on homes containing high-end items – flat screen TVs, stereo equipment, etc. – by watching for empty merchandise boxes in front of homes on trash pickup day.

Countermeasure: Break down all boxes that contained electronic or high-end items and place them inside garbage cans, or black plastic bags before placing them out for trash day.

Get to know your neighbors and become familiar with normal neighborhood activity. If someone or some activity seems suspicious, call police immediately at (702) 633-9111 or 311. Join or start a Neighborhood Watch Program.

NORTH TIPS



Did you know Utility bill payments can be made online? Go to www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com.



PUBLIC EMBRACES BUILDING PERMIT AMNESTY

The North Las Vegas building permit amnesty program conducted over the summer resulted in overwhelming support from the public. The four-month program allowed homeowners to obtain permits for pre-existing, non-permitted structures, without the usual fines, citations or double permit fees, and to obtain a free code-compliance inspection, if needed.

More than 200 residents attended the Spanish language program seminars, while about three dozen residents attended the English seminars.

"The positive response we saw during the amnesty tells us our residents care deeply about the safety of structures they build near or add to their homes," North Las Vegas Building Official Gregory Blackburn said. "Residents have asked that we continue to provide training on subjects, such as how to build a patio, how to build a room addition or garage conversion, property layout options and planning requirements."

The City's Building Safety Division plans to develop a public education program that covers building safety and the process of obtaining building permits from the City.

To find out if a home or business site improvement project requires a permit, call the City's Building Safety Division at (702) 633-1550 or 633-1536, or visit the office at 2240 Civic Center Drive. For more information visit the City's website at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com.



NORTH LAS VEGAS LIBRARY DISTRICT

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North Las Vegas Library

2300 Civic Center Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89030
(702) 633-1070

Aliante Library

2400 W. Deer Springs Way
North Las Vegas, NV 89084
(702) 839-2980

Alexander Library

1755 W. Alexander Rd.
North Las Vegas, NV 89032
(702) 633-2880

JOIN THE CLUB!

Join the North Las Vegas Library Lego Club! Give your child (and yourself) an opportunity to escape the noisy world of computer games and explore the creativity of building with Lego blocks. Legos allow children to learn concepts of engineering, patterns, and mathematics...without them even realizing it. Many schools use Legos as a valuable teaching tool, providing the necessary hands-on experience to increase understanding and enhance problem solving.

Each program begins with books suggesting a theme and showcasing possible creations. All ages are welcome. The club meets the last Saturday of each month from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Upcoming themes include:

Nov. 28 -- Castles

Dec. 19 -- Egypt (3rd Saturday)

Jan. 30 -- Bridges

Feb. 27 -- Military

For information contact the North Las Vegas Library at 633-1070.

ALEXANDER LIBRARY FAMILY SERVICES

The Alexander Library offers a variety of programs for children of all ages. Storytimes include books, music, rhymes, and activities that not only promote reading, and reading readiness, but are just plain FUN!

Toddler Time, for children under 3, is perfect for little ones with shorter attention spans, while Preschool Storytime, for ages 3-5, incorporates a new letter of the alphabet each week to get kids exciting about letters and reading.

For the elementary age crowd, the library offers a Book Club. Participants read a chapter book, then they take part in crafts, games and other activities related to the story.

The library also offers Family Storytime and the Reading Corner with Fire Chief Al Gillespie for families with multi-age children. Teens are invited to attend special monthly activities. Past activities include making Fandango puppets based on the Twilight books and movie, Harry Potter Pet Rocks, and Tie Dye T-shirts. For more information, call the Alexander Library at (702) 633-2880.

ALEXANDER LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

The Alexander Library Book Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Adults are welcome to attend. Book selections for the upcoming months are listed below:

Nov. 18

"The Shack" by William P Young

Dec. 16

"Labor Day" by Joyce Maynard

Call the Alexander Library at (702) 633-2880 for more information.



TEEN ACTIVITIES AT ALIANTE LIBRARY

It's big; it's round; it doesn't make sound. When you look, you see someone reading a book. Don't look at all; it's high up on the wall. What am I?" The answer to this riddle and lots of other fun and creative activities for teens can be found at the Aliante Library. The Teen Advisory Group meets weekly each Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. Teen Advisory Group is open to students in middle school or high school, and offers an opportunity for young adults to become involved in their public library. From developing programs and activities for themselves and other teens, to advising library staff on trends and issues for young adults, there is always something fun happening @ Teen Advisory. For more information on programs for teens, children and families, call the Aliante Library at (702) 839-2980.

A monthly program calendar of events is available online at www.nlvld.org.





BE A PART OF THE PROGRESS!

Team up with the City of North Las Vegas' Committees and Advisory Boards

The City of North Las Vegas is looking for residents who have the desire, ability and community spirit to serve on a committee, advisory board, task force or commission. Or, you may be interested in representing the City of North Las Vegas by participating on one of the County, Regional or State boards or committees. If you have the time and would like to assist the City with this very important function, we invite you to take a few moments to complete this form, and send or fax it to the City Clerk's Office. When an opening occurs, all applications are reviewed by the City Council and appointments are made at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Selected individuals are notified of appointments by the City Clerk's Office, and we keep all forms on file for one year from date of receipt. We look forward to receiving your willingness to serve form. Thank you for your interest.

- 1. Citizens' Advisory Committee** - makes recommendations for allocation of Community Development Block Grants to meet the needs of low to moderate income groups through decent housing, developing viable communities and neighborhoods and promoting economic growth. Beginning in late November of each year through February, meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, or as needed, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room.
- 2. North Las Vegas Library District Board of Trustees** - the governing/policy making authority for the North Las Vegas Library District. Regular meetings are held bimonthly on the fourth Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
- 3. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** - provides input on recreation programs as well as parks maintenance, recreational facility locations and the need for new facilities. Regular meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 5:45 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
- 4. Americans with Disabilities Advisory Board** - discusses issues of Americans with Disabilities Act compliance for City property and employees and meets every second Tuesday, or as needed, at 3:30 p.m. in the Human Resources Conference Room.
- 5. Civil Service Board of Trustees** - maintains the rules and regulations governing the administration of the civil service system. Meets the third Tuesday of each quarter, or

as needed, at 5:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

- 6. Joint Board of Appeals** - consists of members who are qualified by experience and training and are not City employees to review matters pertaining to building construction. The Board hears and decides appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the building official relative to applications and interpretations of codes. This board meets the third Tuesday of each quarter, or as needed, at 3:30 p.m. in the Community Development Center Building Safety Conference Room.
- 7. Planning Commission** - makes recommendations to the City Council on matters of planning and zoning; reviews and approves tentative maps, special use permits, variances, etc. Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers.
- 8. Redevelopment Advisory Committee** - studies, reviews, advises and makes recommendations to the Redevelopment Agency on policy matters concerning the designated redevelopment areas and neighborhood revitalization as requested by the Agency. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each quarter, or as needed, in the Economic Development Conference Room.
- 9. Traffic and Parking Advisory Committee** - studies, reviews, advises and makes recommendations to the Redevelopment Agency on policy matters concerning

the designated redevelopment areas and neighborhood revitalization as requested by the Agency. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each quarter, or as needed, in the Economic Development Conference Room.

- 10. Utility Advisory Board** - reviews matters relevant to water and wastewater utilities. Five members must be City residents and two from the Sunrise Mountain area of Clark County. Regularly scheduled meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at a time and place to be determined.
- 11. Senior Advisory Board** - not yet established. May begin meeting in late Fall of 2009.
- 12. County, Regional and State Boards** - various boards and committees in which the City of North Las Vegas participates, including but not limited to: Clark County Community Development Advisory Committee, Clark County Nuclear Waste Division Steering Committee, and Regional Flood Control District Citizens Advisory Committee.

The following committees are formed on an as needed basis:

- 13. Mayor's Task Forces** - various recommending bodies formed at the request of the Mayor. Appointments are made by the Mayor.
- 14. Ballot Question Advisory Committee** - in the event of a ballot question, committees will be formed to develop arguments for and against passage. Note: This is an ad hoc, temporary committee that will be formed only in the event of a ballot question.

*** Required Fields**

* Name: _____ * Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
 * Street Address: _____ * City: _____ * Zip Code: _____
 Mailing Address _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Email Address: _____ Place of Business: _____ Length of Employment: _____
 Education and experience relative to boards selected: _____

Please list up to three committees and/or advisory boards on which you are interested in serving, ranked in order of preference from 1 to 3.

_____ Citizen's Advisory Committee	_____ North Las Vegas Library District Board of Trustees	_____ Parks and Recreation Board
_____ Americans with Disabilities Advisory Board	_____ Civil Service Board of Trustees	_____ Joint Board of Appeals
_____ Planning Commission	_____ Redevelopment Advisory Committee	_____ Traffic and Parking Committee
_____ Mayor's Task Forces	_____ Ballot Question Advisory Committee (Ad Hoc)	_____ County, Regional and State Boards

FIRE DEPARTMENT



FIRE AND FALL PREVENTION FOR ELDERLY

The North Las Vegas Fire Department and Visiting Angels, a senior home care agency, won scholarships to a training conference on fire and fall prevention tactics for older adults. The conference in Boston, called Remembering When™: A Fire and Fall Prevention Program for Older Adults, was developed by the National Fire Protection Association. The \$4,000 scholarships cover training, travel, meals and materials.

The conference, held Nov. 15-17, includes two-member teams from 32 communities across North America. Teams comprise one fire department member and a member from a community agency that serves older adults through home visits.

"Adults 65 years and older are more than twice as likely to be killed in

a home fire compared with the population at large," Sharon Gamache, the association's director of High-Risk Outreach Programs said. "Falls are the leading cause of death from injuries in this group. This training offers strategies that participants can bring back to share with their communities to help prevent fires and falls among older adults that live there."

Beverly Bolton, the public education specialist for the North Las Vegas Fire Department and Albert Bass, director of Visiting Angels, were selected for the conference. Following the conference, they will make at least five presentations and two train-the-trainer sessions for Visiting Angels. Visiting Angels will integrate materials from the conference into its North Las Vegas outreach program.

The National Fire Protection Association has reached thousands of older adults through its Remembering When program since it began in 1999. For more information, visit www.nfpa.org/rememberingwhen.

PINK HEALS

The Pink Heals Tour in September kicked off its second annual breast cancer awareness journey by making North Las Vegas for the second time its first stop.

The tour, which features two pink fire engines and a pink truck company, will visit cities across the country, holding health fairs focused on increasing breast cancer awareness. The pink fire trucks are manned by firefighters in pink turnouts and are adorned with thousands of signatures of women who have battled breast cancer and those of family members and friends who have lost loved ones to the disease.

In North Las Vegas, the tour attracted about 1,000 visitors throughout the day. It included entertainment, food, screenings for free mammograms and health information. North Las Vegas, Clark County, Las Vegas, Boulder City, Henderson and Nellis Air Force Base fire departments, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and the Nevada Highway Patrol participated. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the nonprofit Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Southern Nevada.

The Pink Heals Tour, formerly known as the Pink Ribbon Tour, is not affiliated with the Pink Heals Foundation. Tour organizers announced at the event that they will make the City of North Las Vegas the stop for its grand finale next year.



CITY NOW RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

The City is always looking for volunteers to join its Volunteer Program. The program provides prospective volunteers a variety of options for becoming involved in citywide projects, providing donations of in-kind services and networking.

Volunteer Program participants are diverse individuals who can share their skills, talents, and knowledge. Volunteers can participate in focus groups, community cleanups, gardening projects, planning and other activities.

The Volunteer Program matches volunteers with opportunities in their areas of interest, offering episodic and long-term assignments. A volunteer coordinator, provides support and supervises volunteer

assignments and hours.

Call Dr. Shelia Thompson at (702) 633-2687 for more information.



STIMULUS MONEY TO FIX ROADS

The City by December will begin improvements to deteriorating stretches of Lake Mead Boulevard and Pecos Road with \$4.9 million from President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. These projects are among the first in the country to receive approval from the Federal Highway Administration as qualified for stimulus funding.

The act sets aside \$27.5 billion in stimulus funds for highway infrastructure investments nationwide. The state of Nevada received \$201 million for transportation, including the \$4.9 million for North Las Vegas roads.

City Council members approved using the funds to improve Lake Mead between Rancho Drive and Tonopah Avenue and Pecos between Colton and Las Vegas Boulevard North.

Both projects include new asphalt, lane lines, arrows and reflective markers. Both projects are expected to be complete by June 2010.



CITY WIDENS NORTH 5TH STREET

The City's Public Works Department is nearing completion of the first phase of the North 5th Street expansion project, which will convert the street into a super arterial roadway.

The North 5th Street expansion is the largest and most expensive roadway project in the City's history. The project involves the construction of a 150-foot wide roadway for about two miles, with a bridge over Interstate 15 and a new interchange at Cheyenne Avenue.

The first phase, known as Phase 1A, runs between Lake Mead Boulevard and Carey Avenue. This phase widens the road to include three travel lanes in each direction, dedicated bus lanes, multi-purpose trails and landscape buffers. A pedestrian bridge crossing North 5th Street at Judson Avenue will be built as part of the project. This \$16.1 million portion of the project is funded by the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada with the City's

Public Works Department conducting construction management and quality control. This phase is expected to be complete by April 2010.

Work on the second phase, known as Phase 1B, runs between Owens Avenue and Lake Mead. Construction on this phase is expected to begin in January 2010. This section includes the same roadway configuration as the first phase. It also will include a traffic circle to improve the intersection where North 5th Street converges with Main Street and Las Vegas Boulevard North. The traffic circle will provide a grand gateway into the City of North Las Vegas with landscaping and new signs. This phase is expected to be complete by December 2010.

For more information visit the project website at www.north5thstreet.com.



Did you know Public Works can help with cracked sidewalks? Call 633-1204.



LOSEE ROAD LOOKING GOOD

The North Las Vegas Public Works Department is almost finished with the first phase of the \$5.4 million Losee Road improvement project.

This phase, between Lake Mead Boulevard and Alexander Road, includes pavement rehabilitation, improvements to curbs and sidewalks and ADA accessibility ramps where needed, and a new sewer between the Las Vegas Wash and Alexander Road. Construction began in July and is

scheduled to be complete in December.

The next phase of the Losee Road Improvements will include pavement rehabilitation, improvements to curbs and sidewalks and ADA accessibility ramps where needed between Alexander Road and Craig Road. A new sewer main installation is also planned as part of the project between Alexander Road and Mendenhall Road. The project is scheduled to be bid early next year.

During construction, traffic will be maintained with a minimum two southbound lanes and one northbound lane at all times. Motorists can expect traffic delays through the construction areas.

NORTH LAS VEGAS

Photo highlights of
National Night Out 2009



FIRE DEPARTMENT TOPS IN CHILD CAR SEAT SAFETY

North Las Vegas Fire Department since 2007 has been the first and only fire department in Southern Nevada to institute a child passenger safety team.

The team provides car seat installation clinics several times a year in partnership with Clark County Safe Kids. The department also has dozens of trained car seat inspectors that provide inspections at each of the City's eight fire stations.

For information about the Fire Department car seat inspection and



installation services, please call Captain Cedric Williams at (702) 633-1102.

VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME TURN TO VICTIM/WITNESS UNIT

The North Las Vegas Police Department's Victim/Witness Unit helps victims and witnesses of violent crimes cope with trauma and make their way through the often complicated criminal justice system.

The unit includes two advocates, one of whom is bilingual, who arrive on scene and help victims and witnesses of domestic violence, sexual assault, robbery, battery, stalking, elder abuse and the families of homicide victims. The team provides crisis intervention, help with filing protective orders and victims of crime compensation claims. They provide Spanish interpretations and court accompaniment.

The advocates are stationed, one at each of the City's police command centers – South Area Command, 1301 E. Lake Mead Blvd., and Northwest Area Command, 3755 W. Washburn Road.

The unit also works on outreach efforts designed for the City's diverse

and under-served populations and faith-based institutions.

For more information on the Police Department's Victim/Witness Unit, call 633-1017 x. 5084. For bilingual services, call 633-1751. Information also is available on the City's website at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com by going to the Police Department web page.



CHECK COURT CASES ONLINE

North Las Vegas Municipal Court now provides internet access to cases within its court case management system. Access to court records online means information regarding court cases, court dates and defendant case status is just a click away.

To find court case information online, visit the web site at municipalcourt.cityofnorthlasvegas.com. North Las Vegas Municipal Court is located at 2332 Las Vegas Boulevard North.



For more information about the web site or North Las Vegas Municipal Court services, please call 633-1130.



FAST FACTS FOR CODE COMPLIANCE

The City of North Las Vegas Code Enforcement Division serves as the clearinghouse for requests regarding City services and code compliance. Code enforcement inspectors respond to citizen concerns about possible zoning code violations; public nuisances; hazardous and abandoned buildings; trash, debris, junk, graffiti, and abandoned or inoperative vehicles on private property; and illegal dumping. The division's mission is to protect community safety and to improve property values. Below are frequently asked questions and answers from the division.

Q: What type of vehicles can be parked in residential driveways?

A: Residents are permitted to park licensed and operable vehicles on residential driveways. The vehicles must have license plates with valid tags and inflated tires. For classic vehicles, please contact Code Enforcement for special provisions.

Q: What are the setback requirements for storage sheds?

A: Storage sheds must be stored three feet from all neighboring property lines and at least five feet from the home. Sheds larger than 120 square-feet require a permit.

Q: Where should trash receptacles be stored after trash pick up?

A: Trash receptacles must be stored out of public view.

For more information, call Code Enforcement at 633-1677.

BOOK BUILDING SAFETY INSPECTIONS ONLINE, BY PHONE

The City's Building Safety Division offers Internet-based inspection scheduling and an Interactive Voice Recognition system for inspection requests. City inspectors also have been issued Blackberry handheld personal digital assistants that allow them to download their daily inspection itinerary, perform the inspections on-site and transmit the results back to the City's hard drive remotely.

Inspection information can then be viewed online by staff or customers. This quick turnaround affords the customer valuable job status information and the ability to schedule new inspections within minutes of submitting from the field.

The Interactive Voice Response is a telephonic voice prompt inspection scheduling system. It enables customers to schedule, cancel and check the status of multiple inspections. It also provides customers information on who their inspector was. The system can automatically transfer the caller to their inspector's extension.

For more information call 633-1577 or visit the City's web site at www.cityofnorthlasvegas.com and click on "Inspection Requests" under the Online Services menu.

CITY TAKES TO TWITTER, FACEBOOK

The City of North Las Vegas is now on Twitter and facebook, two of the most popular social networking sites on the Web.

For Twitter, get instant information from the City by signing up as a follower on www.twitter.com/CNLV. People who sign up can view recent posts or opt to receive text messages from the City about services, activities, announcements and more.

On facebook.com, find the City of North Las Vegas by typing, "City of North

Las Vegas" in the search box in the upper right hand corner. Look for the official government page. Enjoy videos, photos and updates about the City.

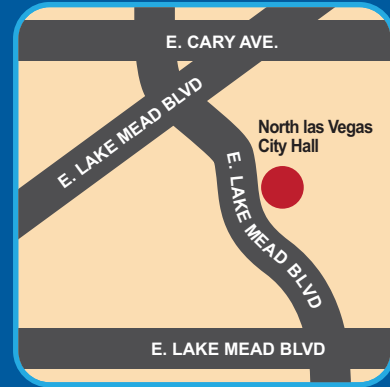
For more information, call North Las Vegas Director of General Services and Communications Brenda Fischer at (702) 633-1556.





Shari L. Buck

Mayor
Tuesday, February 23, 2010
6 pm
City Hall - Council Chambers
2200 Civic Center Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89030



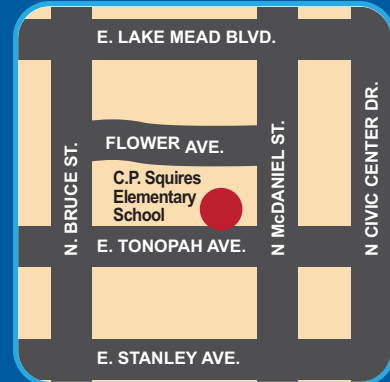
William E. Robinson

Mayor Pro-Tempore/Councilman - Ward 2
Thursday, February 11, 2010
6 pm
Nevada Partners Culinary Academy
710 W. Lake Mead Blvd.
North Las Vegas, NV 89030



Robert L. Eliason

Councilman - Ward 1
Thursday, March 11, 2010
6 pm
C.P. Squires Elementary School
1312 E. Tonopah Ave.
North Las Vegas, NV 89030



Anita G. Wood

Councilwoman - Ward 3
Thursday, April 15, 2010
6 pm
Silver Mesa Recreation Center
4025 Allen Lane
North Las Vegas, NV 89032



Richard J. Cherchio

Councilman - Ward 4
Tuesday, May 11, 2010
6 pm
Legacy High School
150 W. Deer Springs Way
North Las Vegas, NV 89084



2010 Town Hall Meetings