

Guide to the Las Vegas (Nev.) Board of Commissioners Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Las Vegas (Nev.) Board of Commissioners
Title:	Las Vegas (Nev.) Board of Commissioners Records
ID:	MS-00245
Date [inclusive]:	1921-1946
Physical Description:	0.25 Linear Feet (1 box)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The City of Las Vegas, Nevada Board of Commissioners Records comprises documents produced by the City of Las Vegas Board of Commissioners from 1921 to 1946. The records document the transition of the Las Vegas municipal government from a commission form of government (1911-1944) to a council-manager form of government (1944-present). Materials include meeting minutes, resolutions, budgets, petitions, leases, reports, and correspondence. Subjects include the Las Vegas Land and Water Company, a World War One Memorial Building, city elections, the Las Vegas drainage channel, the Las Vegas city library, and the Department of Recreation.

Preferred Citation

Las Vegas (Nev.) Board of Commissioners Records, 1921-1946. MS-00245. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Historical Note

The city of Las Vegas was founded on May 15, 1905 and incorporated on March 16, 1911. The municipal government of Las Vegas functioned in a commission form of government with four commissioners overseeing specific departments: finance; streets; water, sewer, and light; and police and fire. In January 1944 the municipal government of Las Vegas changed to a council-manager form of government. Las Vegas elected a City Council that contained a mayor and four councilmen. In 1973 Las Vegas adopted an amendment to the city charter that divided the city into four wards. In 1999 the Las Vegas City Council added an additional two wards bringing the total to six.

Source: "City Government Overview." City of Las Vegas. Accessed July 18, 2014. http://www.lasvegasnevada.gov/Government/city_govt.htm

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Arrangement

Material remains in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access

Collection is open for research.

Publication Rights

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Acquisition Note

Materials were received in 1985; accession number 1985-088.

Processing Note

Material was processed by Special Collections staff. In 2014, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Hannah Robinson wrote the collection description and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

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Las Vegas City Commission Minutes Records, 1911-1960. MS-00237. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada. City of Las Vegas, Nevada Records, 1927-1982. MS-00674. University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

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Names and Subjects

- Local elections -- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- 20th century
- Politics and government -- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- 20th century

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Minutes of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1940 June 17	box 01
Call of Special Meeting, 1929 July-November, 1940 April-December	box 01
Lease between city of Las Vegas and Las Vegas Post No. 8, 1935 September 12	box 01
Survey of the Overhead line of the Southern Nevada Power Company, 1939 September	box 01
Letters to the Board of City Commissioners, 1933 March 01, 1941 January 23	box 01
LeRoy Whipple Duly sworn in, 1941 March 17	box 01
Petition for Ordinance No. 255, 1940 September 04	box 01
Resolutions, 1935-1940	box 01
Minutes of Board of Trustees of Las Vegas City Cemetery, undated	box 01

Affidavit of Publication, 1940 March-April	box 01
Proclamation, 1930 April 13	box 01
Las Vegas Department of Recreation, undated	box 01
Receipt of all sources, 1927	box 01
Assembly Bill No. 190, 1935 March 01	box 01
Senate Bill No. 2, 1939 January 04	box 01
Affidavit of Publication: Dick Lochrie, 1936 September	box 01
Estimated receipts and Expenditures of the City of Las Vegas, 1935 December 31	box 01
Las Vegas City Budget for the Year, 1926	box 01
Notice of intention to vote on a resolution to secure an emergency loan, undated	box 01
Budget of street department, City of Las Vegas, 1928	box 01
Report of fire and life hazards in new high school plans, undated	box 01
Report on propose drainage channel for the city of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1932	box 01
Deed from Las Vegas land and water company to the city of Las Vegas, 1934 December 19	box 01
Petition for building restriction, undated	box 01
Resolution: new gambling licenses be granted until further order of the Board, 1931 April 09	box 01
Election Proclamation, 1921 March 02	box 01
Ordinance to amend section I, as Amended, of Ordinance number 168, undated	box 01
Resolution, 1939 August 19	box 01
"Origin and Growth of City Library", 1946	box 01
Resolution permitting Las Vegas taverns to have music and chairs in their place of business with some restrictions, undated	box 01
Indenture between Las Vegas Land and Water Company and the City of Las Vegas, 1934 December 19	box 01
Resolution, 1935 September 12	box 01
Certified Copy of Proceedings by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada, for an emergency loan by said City of Las Vegas, undated	box 01
Resolution #8 "War Memorial Building", undated	box 01
Indenture between Las Vegas Land and Water Company and City of Las Vegas, 1939 May 31	box 01
Report of Finance Commissioner, 1940 August 05	box 01
Western Union Telegram for Key Pittman, undated	box 01

Resolution Ordering General City Election, 1941

box 01