

TOP HONOR TO NEGRO WEST VEGAS IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED

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SURVEY PAVING, LIGHTING NEEDS

NEW ASSESSMENT districts for additional paved sidewalks and electric street lighting in West Las Vegas are being considered by the Las Vegas Department of Public Works, subject to approval by property owners in the affected areas.

Director of Public Works Richard Sauer said his department is currently conducting a survey to determine exactly where such improvements are desirable and would provide the greatest good for the greatest number of persons.

Sauer said that when the study is completed, notices will be sent to all property owners in the areas designated for possible improvements to determine if a majority approves formation of the new assessment districts.

West Las Vegas property owners have consistently supported similar improvement plans in the past according to Sauer.

"Property owners in West Las Vegas apparently recognize the value of such improvements," Sauer said. "They seem to go for such programs ten times faster than other sections of the city."

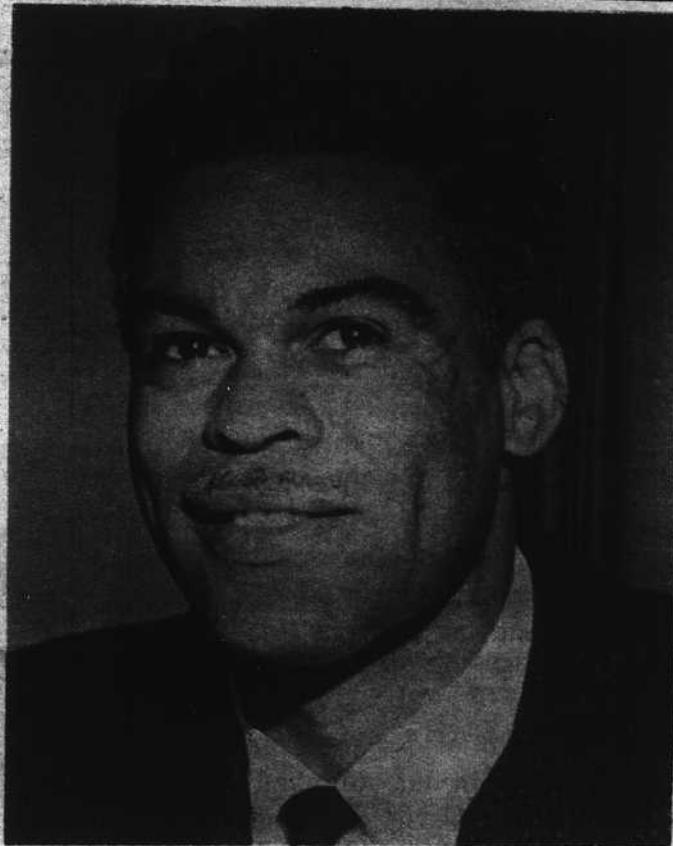
North Las Vegas already has a new \$351,412 street improvement program under way following approval by the city council last week.

The district scheduled for improvement is north of the proposed Rose Garden urban Renewal project according to NLV city manager Clay Lynch. He said it is bounded by Tonopah and Goldfield Streets, Lake Mead Blvd. and Fifth Street.

"Improvements will include new street lights, new street and sidewalk paving, curbs, gutters and alley blacktopping," Lynch said. The city council has authorized him to acquire the necessary rights of way to realign and widen Tonopah Street between Lake Mead Blvd. and Main St. Lynch said.

NAACP BULLETIN

James H. Anderson, Chairman of the NAACP Labor and Industry Committee office, has moved to 1307 N. "D" Street, phone 382-7510. Address all inquiries to him at that address.



ROBERT L. REID

Named "Outstanding Citizen"

SHUTTERED CASINO MAY BE RE-OPENED

An application to reopen the casino at the El Morocco Club, Jackson and "E" Streets, has been filed with the Nevada State Gaming Commission by two Las Vegas gamblers.

Valentine Ruggerio and Peter J. Balban want to invest \$27,500 for equal shares in the operation of five table games and 100 slot machines at the West Las Vegas location.

There has been no gambling at the El Morocco since December of 1961, when the former casino operators ran into financial difficulties. Part of the club is now being operated as a bar and lounge by Q. B. Bush.

Ruggerio and Balban propose to lease the casino from a seven-man landlord syndicate headed by Joseph Hornstein of Reno according to the petition submitted to state gaming authorities in Carson City.

Ruggerio was licensed at the Christmas Tree casino near Reno for four months last year. He has been a dealer in Las Vegas, Reno and the Lake Tahoe area. Balban has been licensed at the Oxford Club in North Las Vegas since 1959.

NEVADA SAVINGS AWARD FOR REID

Robert L. Reid, prominent in West Las Vegas civic and social circles, will receive the "Outstanding Citizen" award of Nevada Savings and Loan Association Saturday night, March 14, it was revealed today by NSLA president Charles Lee Horsey, Jr.

Presentation of a commemorative plaque to Reid will be made by NSLA executive Ed Oncken on KLAS-TV at 6:25 p.m. Saturday night.

Reid, 36-year-old law clerk to U. S. District Judge Roger D. Foley, was nominated for the award for his important contribution to youth welfare through organization of the Las Vegas Boys Club.

The LVBC program is a citizen effort in cooperation with the Las Vegas Recreation Department designed to provide wholesome activities for boys who might otherwise pose a delinquency problem. In three short months it has attracted an enthusiastic membership of more than 100 youngsters in the eight to 16 year age group.

Club meetings are held at Jefferson Center in West Las Vegas and at Dula Center in Las Vegas. Programs include swim nights, hikes, film showings, participation in athletic contests and similar organized activities under adult supervision.

Reid said the prime purpose of the club is to reach youngsters who environment provides little or no possibility of properly supervised recreational activity. He said city recreation officials hope to establish similar clubs in other areas of Las Vegas

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MARTIN LUTHER KING TO SPEAK IN VEGAS

Famous Civil Rights leader Rev. Martin Luther King, TIME magazine's "Man of the Year" for 1963, will be the speaker at the Freedom Fund rally at the Las Vegas Convention Center, April 26, it was announced by program chairman Bob Bailey.

Tickets for the benefit affair go on sale March 19. Watch The VOICE for further information.