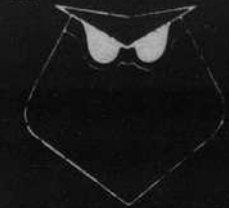


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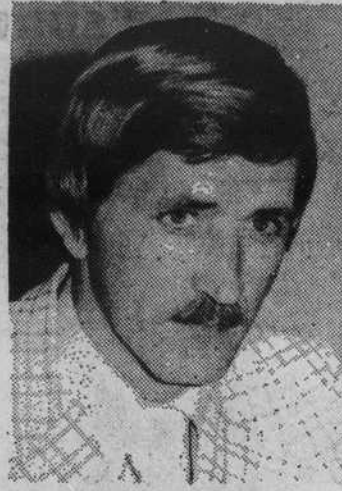
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Candidate for Clark County Commission Seat "G"



Sam Bowler, candidate for Clark County Commission Seat "G", said today that in order to reduce the spiraling costs of county government operations, wasteful spending has to come to a stop.

Bowler said, if the county continues some of its present spending practices, higher taxes, in one form or another, will have to be levied on the people of Clark County to meet those spending demands.

Bowler said, that instead of looking around for possible methods of increasing revenues, the county should be taking positive action to reduce costs.

One area that needs examination, said Bowler, is that regarding expenses born outside consulting work. He said it has become all too common of a practice for the county to hire an outside consulting firm, rather than rely on the expertise available among its various departments. Bowler said the county commission must begin utilizing the manpower it already has on hand, the expertise of county employees who are already on the payroll, instead of asking for high-priced reports from outside consultants.

Bowler said, thousands of dollars might be trimmed from the county's budget in this one area alone, and he pointed out that there are many others that need similar attention if Clark County is to get the upper-hand on the soaring costs of government operations.

Assemblyman Jean Ford



Assemblyman Jean Ford has called for the 1977 Legislature to consider amending the Nevada constitution "to allow for more flexibility in county government throughout the state."

Ford said that the current constitutional requirement of a uniform system of county and township government should be "modified so the Legislature could establish optional forms of government, and then the people could have the right to choose through a county-wide referendum, from a wide variety of plans of government."

Amending the constitution requires that the proposal be adopted by two succeeding sessions of the Legislature and then placed on the ballot for approval by the people.

Assemblyman Ford, who served on the Government Affairs Committee in the 1973 and 1975 sessions, said the law should allow each county to study the various methods of government.

"This would allow the citizens of Clark County to choose the structure or plan which will be most effective in a predominately urban population," Ford said, "while other counties such as Nye or Elko, could determine the form best suited for their needs."

The law should allow the counties to consider such plans as county-city consolidation, county-city confederation, county-county consolidation, service consolidation or a combination of these forms, she said.

"Our problem in recent years has been in trying to work around the restrictions in the State Constitution and that's what has gotten us in trouble with the courts. Why not go about it in the right way and propose the basic change that will allow the citizens of each county to design and adopt, through referendum, a responsive and accountable local government structure," Ford said.

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