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EDITORS NOTE: The Las Vegas Voice will publish your opinion on any subject - praise -complaints - questions - or answers. We do reserve the right to edit, and your letter must be signed with a valid address and phone number for verification prior to publication. We want your letters! At your written request your name

can be withheld. Dear Editor:

I hope you are persuaded upon reading my letter that I'm seeking correspondence with charming and intelligent ladies who have no hang ups about love and loyalty. I am a deeply loving man who is passionately

attached to loyalty. Ronald Eugene Collins. 146-863, Box 45699, Lucasville, Ohio 45699. I trust that you shall not abandon my cause.

Respectfully, Ronald E. Collins



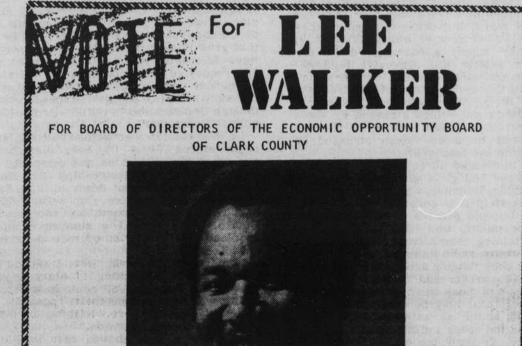


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Otis Harris, Westside Community Comprehensive Economic Development Plan received funding to continue development in Las Vegas. They received their funding from Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Black and White

Popular Las Vegas entertainer, Miss Dionne Warwick has been invited to share in the fun at the First Black and White Ball to be presented in Las Vegas on Dec. 14 at 9 p.m. in the Frontier Hotel Americana Room. Miss Warwick expressed her desire to attend this gala affair if her schedule allows in the support of the sorority scholarship drive for a four year scholarship to a UNLV student. Dionne said the ball is for a cause that she always supports and will make every effort to be there. Other Las Vegas enter-tainers have also been invited to attend. Tickets will be available at the door.



LEE E. WALKER: 35, is a representative employed by Gaudin Ford. He resides at 3115 Van Der Meer St., N.L.V. Mr. Walker has helped many in the North, West, and South community; he has

established himself and wants to help others. Will, if elected structure a Family Moral Center for all.

Mr. Harris said "Everything we do must make money.

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The Federal Government expects full value for every dollar spent or loaned. Each pro-posal must offer substantial promise of increasing economic development commensur-ate with the federal funds involved. Only if a project meets this test will it be approved. Otis Harris and his staff have met these

Applicants must be legally empowered to undertake the proposed project and to receive

and disburse Federal grants and loans for its construction.

These grants and loans may be used to acquire and develop land and improvements for public works, public service, or development facility usage. Projects must directly or indirectly tend to improve the opportun-ities for the successful establishment or expansion of industrial or commercial plants or facilities, or otherwise assist in the crea-tion of additional long term unemployed and members of low-income families. Projects must also meet a pressing need of the area in which they are located.

Congress, in passing the Public Works and Economic Development Act, recognized that a District organization might need financial assistance in its planning and development activity. So Congress authorized EDA to pay up to 80% of the administrative expenses of

District organizations. This help becomes available after provisional District bounderies have been defined and a representative organization has been estab-lished. The funds provided by EDA are used to hire a professional staff for the District organization, for the planning work undertaken by the District, and for related expenses required to put the Districts program into action.

The economic action design is called an "Overall Economic Development Program" (OEDP). Its purpose is to provide the District organization with a management plan and work program. Part of the task is to deterthe condition of the local economy, mine including its population, labor force, unemploy-ment, job needs, available skills, resources, industrial and commercial building and sites, recreational and historical areas, and other assets, The purpose is to clear the way for local action and to help open doors to all available Federal, State, and private aid pro-grams -- not just those of EDA.

Otis says his program will work in conjunction with Ruby Duncan and Operation Life. Ruby develops business and Otis develops buildings.

This is an agency capable of doing a vast amount of things -- both public and private. All this takes time - it cannot be accomplished over night.

This is not a grant program designed to it was designed to change give money away the Community -- FOR THE BETTER!!

