

Rainbow

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strength of these relationships, some say, may decide the race for mayor.

With unemployment high among minorities in the city, community activists say that progressive Whites and Blacks, Latinos and Asians will be monitoring the proposed solutions that the candidates espouse.

"It's the issues, stupid," joked Bertha Lewis, executive director of the New York ACORN, an advocacy organization that focuses on housing issues.

Bryan Pufolkes, with New Immigrant Community Empowerment (NICE), agrees: "I see alliances that are forming based on issues and not necessarily strictly along racial lines," said Pufolkes.

Activists repeatedly cited economic issues—housing, health care and education—as unifying issues that will rally minorities and Whites to fight for reform.

"The main thing that you have is working people—the bus driver, the nurse, the teacher, the delivery guy—who find it more and more difficult to find decent affordable housing," said Lewis.

Irma Rodriguez, associate director of a Queens multi-service agency, said class will be the uniting factor this year. "What has emerged is that it's really connected so thoroughly to issues of poverty." Ana Maria Archila, the executive director of the Latin American Integration Center, concurred: "Sometimes it's easier to achieve solidarity under the worker umbrella than the people of color umbrella."

Added Rodriguez: "People are seeing more similarities and potential for power than just sticking with their own ethnic group," she said. "You can respect someone's cultural differences and still understand that 90 percent of your experiences and values are similar."

Andrew Friedman, of Make the Road By Walking, a Brooklyn social justice organization, said that "no significant victories for low-income, working-class communities of color can be won by any one of these communities alone."

Hence, coalition-building, he says, becomes both a means and an end: a strategy for achieving political goals and a way to unite different communities.

Coalitions across racial and ethnic lines have been forming—and have scored political and policy victories. Many have come together in support of rights, opportuni-

ties and access for immigrants. A coalition of over 120 groups, including SEIU 32BJ and the NAACP, were instrumental in getting city legislation passed that required translating and interpretation services in health care facilities.

Veronica Jung, executive director of the Korean American League for Civic Action, cited two examples of successful organizing across racial and ethnic lines. The first was the response to the brutal beating of a Sikh man in Queens last year. Latinos, Jews, Asians and Blacks joined in a rally of support outside Queens Borough

Hall. The second is the Asian Pacific Americans Voters Alliance, a coalition of 40 Asian American groups that formed last year. The coalition, which Jung called "unprecedented," registered over 7,000 new voters and conducted voter education and mobilization.

NICE's Pufolkes cited his group's campaign for non-citizen voting rights, supported by a three-dozen member coalition, including Asian and Puerto Rican groups. Several activists also highlighted the election in Flushing of the first Asian to the state Assembly.

Perhaps the greatest vic-

tory was last year's passage of an increase in the state minimum wage—over the veto of Governor George Pataki. According to activists, that issue cut across ethnic lines, bringing together unions, community-based organizations and advocacy groups.

"This was an effort that everyone understood," said Lewis of ACORN.

In a mayoral race that is likely to get heated, activists warn against the temptation by candidates to inflame racial sensibilities.

In the months leading up to the race, many groups plan to conduct non-partisan voter

registration, and education and mobilization for this year's election, making sure that the issues that unite them are on the political agenda and that candidates, whatever their race or color, are forced to respond.

And some are at least a bit

optimistic. "If there's going to be a rainbow coalition, that has been talked about for years and years and years," said Lewis. "The moment has finally come."

Eric Weltman writes for the Amsterdam News.

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Sealed bids marked "FURNISH AND INSTALL CARPET AND PAD (10,000 SQ. YDS.); COMMERCIAL CARPET (3,000 SQ. YDS.); AND VINYL FLOORING (5,000 SQ. YDS.) IFB No. B5040-0006" will be received at the office of the Executive Director, Housing Authority Clark County (HACC), 5390 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89122-5335, until 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 9, 2005, in accordance with the IFB documents. At which time, all IFBs properly received will be opened, read aloud and made a matter of public record.

All bids so received will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners at its meeting at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 23, 2005, for recommendation and or approval of bid award. The HACC reserves the right to waive minor informalities, to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the HACC.

Please contact Bob Gibeault at 922-1616 between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for a bid package, or download documents in Portable Document Format (PDF) from www.haccnv.org. /s/Patricia Sherwin-Lucas Acting Executive Director Published: Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice 02/10/05

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INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) APPLIANCES - REFRIGERATORS AND STOVES IFB No. B5032-0004

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All bids so received will be submitted to the Board of Commissioners at its meeting at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 23, 2005, for recommendation and or approval of bid award. The HACC reserves the right to waive minor informalities, to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the HACC.

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LEGALS

LAS VEGAS-CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

INVITATION TO BID BID NO. 05-05

LIGHTING DIMMER RACK SYSTEM REPLACEMENT - SUMMERLIN LIBRARY THEATER

The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is seeking bids from qualified contractors to provide and install a lighting dimmer rack system in the Summerlin Library Theater.

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE: 10:00 a.m. PST, Tuesday, February 15, 2005. A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held in the Theater Green Room, Summerlin Library, 1771 Inner Circle Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89134. The purpose of the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference is to review the bid and specification documents and tour the job site. Bidders are REQUIRED to attend the Pre-Bid Conference.

BID OPENING: 10:00 a.m. PST, Wednesday, February 23, 2005. The bid opening will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

Bids will be received at the Reception Desk of the Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Las Vegas Nevada 89101, on or before 10:00 a.m. PST, Wednesday, February 23, 2005. Bids received at 10:01 a.m. PST or after will be returned unopened to the bidder.

Bidders and other interested parties are invited to attend the bid opening.

Bid and specification documents will be available after 10:00 a.m., Monday, February 7, 2005, at the Reception Desk, Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

To request a faxed copy of this Invitation to Bid notice, call the Clark County Fax on Demand System at (702) 455-5428 and request document #501.

Questions regarding this Invitation to Bid may be directed to Stephen J. Rice, General Services Director, telephone number (702) 507-3740.

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The Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas (HACLTV) provides housing subsidized housing for low-income persons who meet both the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) and HACLTV's admission criteria. Our agency also offers self-sufficiency programs to assist its participants in overcoming barriers to become self-sufficient, including becoming free of all public assistance. HACLTV also offers Homeownership options for both its eligible Public Housing and Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Participants. This homeownership option includes purchasing some of HACLTV's scattered-site homes to eligible public housing residents or Section 8 participants.

HACLTV provides free translation and interpretation services for its program eligible clients, who may not read, write or speak English (Limited English Proficiency Persons) to ensure all programs and services are fully accessible to all eligible clients. HACLTV have bi-lingual staff available as well as services of professional interpreters to ensure language is not a barrier in providing services in a timely and professional manner.

The following wait lists are currently open and accepting applications for the following programs:

Designated Housing for the Elderly: Applicants who are 62 years of age or older (head, spouse or co-head). The following developments are Designated Units: Levy Gardens James Down Towers Sartini Plaza

Conventional Public Housing - Bedroom sizes 2-5 only. Our one (1) bedroom Conventional Public Housing wait list is closed.

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Preference points for all applicants that meet the criteria for each preference shall be assigned to all applications. HACLTV provides preference, which will be verified, for:

- Applicants who work or who are enrolled in a training program (including applicants who cannot work because of age or disability);
- Families that live or work within Clark County;
- Disabled veterans and
- Family of deceased veterans

Preference points will impact your placement on the waiting list. Further explanations of preferences are printed on the cover of our preliminary application.

Applications are accepted Monday - Thursday from 8am -12 noon and 1pm - 5pm (except holidays) at HACLTV's Admissions department located at 420 N. 10th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101. Disabled and out-of-state applicants may call (702) 922-6950 and request an application be mailed. Applicants may also log into our website at hacvl.org and print a preliminary application and return this preliminary application by mail or by bringing it into our office. For additional information, please call (702) 922-6950 or our TDD (for hearing impaired) number at (702) 386-0789. Please ensure all questions are answered to prevent your application from being returned. If you require future communication in a format other than written English, please advise staff as soon as possible.

HACLTV shall provide reasonable accommodations to all eligible clients with a disability. Please advise staff if you require a reasonable accommodation to access services or programs.

Our goal is to ensure all "eligible" applicants have every opportunity to access our programs. Please advise staff if we can assist you with any concerns.

The Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas does not discriminate on the basis of Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Disability, Familial Status or National Origin.

The Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas is an Equal Housing Opportunity provider.

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