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## Pacman Jones faces charges

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Suspended NFL player Adam "Pacman" Jones will face two felony charges in a strip club melee that preceded a triple shooting in February, authorities said Wednesday.

Two other people police identify as part of the troubled Tennessee Titans cornerback's entourage also will face felony charges in the fracas inside the Minxx club, local police said in a statement.

Since Jones was drafted by the Titans in April 2005, he has been involved in 11 separate police investigations, including efforts this week by Atlanta police to question him about a shooting early Monday after a fight at an Atlanta strip club. He has been arrested five times in a little more than two years. He has not been convicted of any crimes.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello did not say Wednesday if the Las Vegas charges would affect Jones' suspension for the upcoming NFL season.

"As we have stated, his status will be reviewed after the Titans' 10th regular season game," Aiello said.

Jones agreed this month not to appeal the suspension, and officials said Jones had a chance to be reinstated after 10 games if he adhered to team restrictions and had no further "adverse involvement with law enforcement." Missing the entire season would cost Jones his salary of nearly \$1.3 million.

No one is named as the shooter in the Las Vegas incident, police Capt. James Dillon said. The gunfire occurred Feb. 19 outside a club several blocks off the Las Vegas Strip near the end of NBA All-Star weekend. A bar employee was paralyzed and two others suffered less serious wounds.

Arrest warrants were issued Wednesday for Jones, Robert "Big Rob" Reid of Carson, Calif., and Sadia Morrison of New York, an aide to Clark County District Attorney David Roger said.

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## It's official: Barlow's in

Native Las Vegan gets sworn in as Las Vegas city councilman

By Frank Albano  
Sentinel-Voice

With the swearing-in ceremony behind them, Ward 5 has its new council representative — Ricki Barlow, who won by eight percentage points in the June 5 General Election run-off with Stacie Truesdell.

Barlow worked seven years as Ward 5 liaison under Councilman Lawrence Weekly, who vacated the position several months ago to accept a seat on the Clark County Commission. Barlow had taken a leave of absence to run for his boss' old job. Councilman Barlow takes the reins from interim appointed representative Brenda Williams to serve a full four-year term.

At the regular Wednesday meeting, the City Hall Council Chamber was standing room only with family, friends, well-wishers and supporters of Barlow. Staffers directed traffic in and around front-row seating labeled with reserved signs for judges, a host of dignitaries and a past councilman. The chamber reverberated with sounds and sights of backslapping, hugs all around, laughter and congratulations, more like a fes-

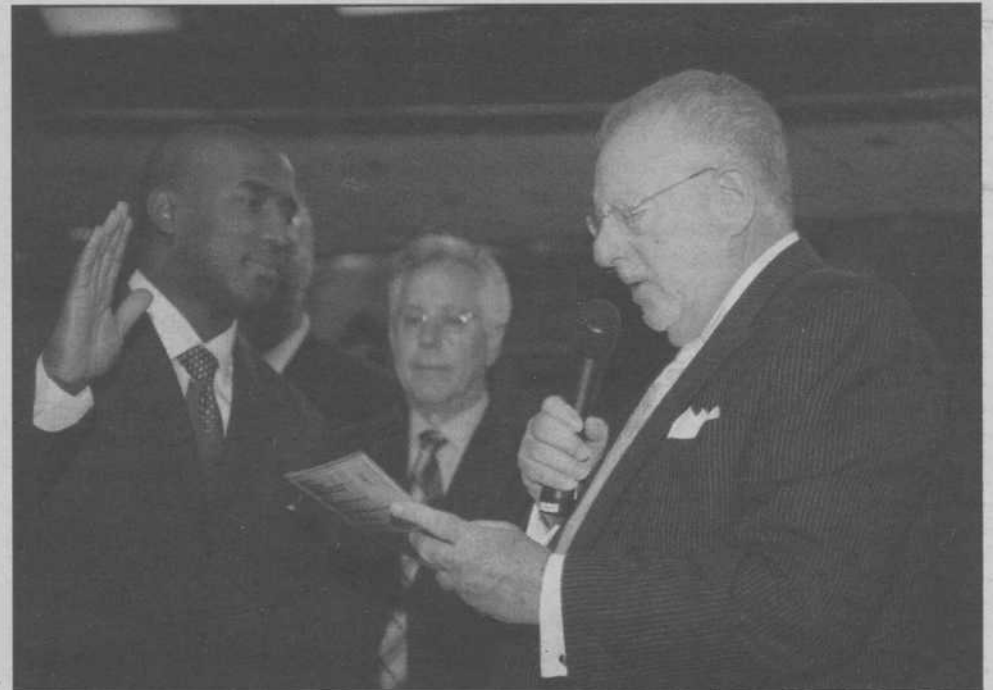


Photo special to the Sentinel-Voice by Marty Frierson

Ricki Barlow, left, takes the oath of office Wednesday as Ward 5 city councilman. Reading him in: Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman, right. Councilman Gary Reese, back, looks on.

tive bazaar than a government inner sanctum.

Mayor Oscar Goodman called Barlow to the podium where he raised his right hand and repeated the oath of office. When it was over, a cheer went up.

Barlow then issued his first comments in his official capacity:

"First and foremost, and with due respect to religion, I thank God," were his open-

ing words. "I'm blessed today by Divine design."

Referring to his 9-year-old child, he said, "There is much to do for my son and other children."

Barlow recalled his 7 years working for predecessor Weekly.

"It was a joy to be part of this council — through hard work and dedication."

Offering a touch of humor, Barlow joked about his

son, D'Lon. "My son packed 111 votes by saying 'Vote for my dad,' and they did."

As cameras flashed, Barlow posed for a family portrait. Introducing his dad, Nate Barlow, and fiancée, Samica Rovira, he concluded his remarks with a promise:

"I will do my best. I won't embarrass my family or this council." And with that, Barlow took his new seat for Ward 5.

## KCEP radio target of FCC complaint alleging bias

By Frank Albano  
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A former candidate, who ran unsuccessfully in the primary for the Las Vegas City Council Ward 5 seat, has filed a complaint with the Federal Communications Commission against radio station KCEP 88.1 FM. The complainant, Marcia Washington, is a longtime Ward 5 resident.

In her letter to the FCC, she named the radio station alleging that KCEP has violated FCC rules governing the handling of campaign messages during the recent Las Vegas Municipal Elec-

tion Primary.

The FCC, the federal regulatory body that oversees the airwaves and the content of radio and television broadcast programming, was notified by mail. In the complaint, Washington, who got less than 10 percent of the vote in the April 3 primary, complains that she is the victim of gender and political bias.

The complaint names only KCEP, a local Black community-oriented radio station, accusing it of taking sides in the election by favoring the eventual winner, Ricki Barlow. The station ran

several political messages from Barlow and other candidates, including Washington's.

KCEP is a 501c3, non-profit, non-commercial broadcaster. The FCC maintains strong control over that class of station and how public service announcements called PSAs are aired and sets forth guidelines on acceptable messages, as well as underwriting policies. In non-commercial broadcasting, ads are sponsored messages underwritten by individuals, businesses and others.

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Sentinel-Voice photo by Marty Frierson

## SEXY SAX & SOULFUL SOUNDS

Najee (on saxophone) along with Freddie Jackson entertained listeners on Saturday. The pair provided star power for Juneteenth celebration at Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza at Lorenzi Park. Juneteenth commemorates emancipation of Black slaves.