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Barlow okays store developer

City council gives a go ahead for new grocery store in needed area

By Kanika Vann Sentinel-Voice

Wednesday morning Las Vegas Ward 5 Councilman Ricki Barlow announced his recommendation to the Las Vegas City Council to build a Food 4 Less grocery store on the southwest corner of Lake Mead and Martin Luther King boulevards using developer, Laurich Properties Inc.

This decision comes after nearly 150 Las Vegas residents and ACORN, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, organizers attended a community meeting Monday

aimed at choosing an acceptable proposal and business developer for the Historic Westside's newest and much needed addition - a grocery store. The store will anchor a service-oriented retail shopping center development on a 10-acre parcel located near other Enterprise Park office and retail developments.

The 6 p.m. meeting in the Doolittle Community Center multipurpose room, was attended by elected officials and organizations leaders, including: Clark County Commissioner Lawrence Weekly, State Senator Steven



Sentinel-Voice photo by Ramon Savoy

Las Vegas City Councilman Ricki Barlow, right, introduces Laurich Properties' president, Richard Gordon, to the town hall meeting held in Ward 5 on Monday.

Horsford, NAACP Las Vegas Branch Vice President Eddie Watson, in addition to Barlow

A plethora of mixed emotions arose concerning the meeting and the options heard to either create a retail shopping center with a Food 4 Less grocery store core or work to change the pre-existing, well-established Mario's Grocery Store (located across the street from the site) into a larger marketplace surrounded by retail shops.

At the meeting, were many supporters of the current Mario's Grocery Store, while others were set on having a Food 4 Less in the neighborhood.

"I know they'll have (See Store, Page 4)

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Tuesday was a groundbreaking day for Nevada Partners Inc., the industry, and for the many Las Vegas

workers that hope to secure gainful employment within the city's sizeable hospitality industry.

This day marked the expansion groundbreaking for the Culinary Training Academy, a training program which "prepares workers for employment in the rapidly expanding Southern Nevada gaming and hospitality industry," in keeping with its mission statement.

Board chairman, Felix Rappaport, and Chief Executive Officer Steven Horsford (See Partners, Page 5)



MUSIC FOR THE WORLD

Musicians Keith Urban, left, and Alicia Keys perform the Rolling Stones "Gimme Shelter" during the Live Earth New York concert at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., on July 7. Former U.S. vice president Al Gore and partners in his environmental fight staged Live Earth concerts on all seven continents simultaneously to raise awareness of environmental issues.



Members of the Board of Trustees, along with supporters, flip the mountain of flour that represents the groundbreaking of the new Culinary Training Academy expansion located in Historic West Las Vegas on Tuesday.