



Guide to the Las Vegas Board of City Commissioners Records Regarding Water Supply

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Las Vegas Land and Water Company
Contributor:	Union Pacific Railroad Company
Title:	Las Vegas Board of City Commissioners Records Regarding Water Supply
ID:	MS-00055
Date [inclusive]:	1927-1940
Physical Description:	0.02 Cubic Feet (1 folder (1 shared box))
Physical Description:	0.10 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Las Vegas Board of City Commissioners Records Regarding Water Supply (1927-1940) include correspondence, resolutions, petitions, application for a permit, and newspaper clippings. The records concern water shortages in the City of Las Vegas, Nevada due in part to wasteful water usage and many of the documents refer to City Ordinance No. 247. Several items are signed by Walter R. Bracken, Vice President and Agent of the Company, and A. M. Folger, Assistant Agent.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The Las Vegas Land and Water Company (LVL&W) was created in 1905, and was owned and operated by the Union Pacific Railroad. In 1947 the Nevada Legislature created the Las Vegas Valley Water District with the intent of using the State's allocated water from the Colorado River.

The Union Pacific Railroad finally agreed to sell the LVL&W in 1952 and the Water District began operation in July of that year.

Source:

"Walter Bracken and the Las Vegas Land and Water Co.," accessed July 26, 2018. <http://digital.library.unlv.edu/collections/historic-landscape/walter-bracken-and-las-vegas-land-water-company>

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Note

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Processing Note

In 2018, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Joyce Moore wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Water conservation
- Water rights
- City managers
- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- Politics and government
- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- History
- Union Pacific Railroad Company

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Correspondence, resolutions, petitions, application for a permit, and newspaper clippings, 1927-1940	box SH-003