

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
AND THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS**

**Seventy-Third Session
May 23, 2005**

The Assembly Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance, Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education and Capital Improvements, was called to order at 3:48 p.m., on Monday, May 23, 2005. Chairman Morse Arberry Jr. presided in Room 3137 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. [Exhibit A](#) is the Agenda. All exhibits are available and on file at the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Morse Arberry Jr., Chairman
Mr. Lynn Hettrick
Ms. Chris Giunchigliani
Ms. Sheila Leslie
Mr. John Marvel
Mr. Richard Perkins

SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator William J. Raggio, Chairman
Senator Barbara Cegavske
Senator Bob Coffin
Senator Bernice Mathews

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Stevens, Assembly Fiscal Analyst
Steve Abba, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst
Tracy Raxter, Program Analyst
Connie Davis, Committee Attaché
Anne Bowen, Committee Attaché

Chairman Arberry called the meeting to order and indicated that the Subcommittee would consider the recommended Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the 2005-07 biennium, [Exhibit B](#). The Chair indicated that he would call for a motion regarding the projects on each page of the exhibit, beginning with page 1.

Assemblywoman Giunchigliani asked that Project Number CO1 be deferred until the Public Works Board (PWB) had the courtesy of presenting the information she had requested regarding the cost of various building exterior materials other

than tile. Ms. Giunchigliani indicated that she had asked for that information over one month ago and she would request that the project be deferred until she received the requested information.

Chairman Arberry indicated that the motion should include acceptance of Project Numbers C02 through C09a, with Project Number C01 deferred.

Senator Raggio asked Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) staff to explain the figures under the "Difference" column in [Exhibit B](#).

Tracy Raxter, Program Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB, explained that the "Difference" column in the exhibit depicted inflationary increases as provided to staff by the PWB, which adjusted the prices of the projects. On a number of projects, staff had explained those adjustments in the "Remarks" column. Mr. Raxter also noted that funding for Project Number C09, the microwave station for the Emergency Operations Center, was duplicated in The Executive Budget as part of the digital microwave upgrade project, Phase IV, BA 1325, which would be administered by the Department of Information Technology (DoIT). Mr. Raxter advised that the DoIT project was a much larger microwave project and Project Number C09 was one component of that larger project. Mr. Raxter recommended that funding of \$554,954 be removed from the CIP list since funding had been duplicated.

Mr. Raxter indicated that Project Number C09a addressed supplemental funding for the Emergency Operations Center. The 2005 Legislature had approved the \$2 million in additional funding via A.B. 204, which had been approved by the Legislature and signed by the Governor.

ASSEMBLYMAN PERKINS MOVED TO APPROVE PROJECT NUMBERS C02 THROUGH C08 INCLUSIVE, AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, INCLUDING INFLATIONARY ADJUSTMENTS; PROJECT NUMBER C01 WOULD BE DEFERRED AND PROJECT NUMBERS C09 AND C09a WOULD BE DELETED.

Senator Raggio asked for further clarification regarding changes in the proposed funding.

Mr. Raxter explained that there was not actually a change in funding. He noted that The Executive Budget recommended \$52 million in General Fund monies for the CIP program and other funding would be realized through general obligation bonds.

Chairman Arberry indicated that he would like to maneuver through the CIP projects without the necessity of line item review. The motion before the Subcommittee was to approve Project Numbers C02 through C08 inclusive, defer Project Number C01, and delete Project Numbers C09 and C09a; he called for a second to the motion.

SENATOR RAGGIO SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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The Chair asked whether there were questions from the Subcommittee regarding page 2 of [Exhibit B](#), Project Numbers C10 through C15. He asked Mr. Raxter to address Project Number C11.

Mr. Raxter reported that Project Number C11 contained the recommendation for demolition of the East Sahara office building that was formerly occupied by the Nevada Highway Patrol. The recommendation in The Executive Budget was to utilize Highway Funds for that demolition and the recommendation from staff was to utilize funding from the reserves for the Buildings and Grounds Division. Mr. Raxter said the Division was currently paying back the original purchase cost of the building to the General Fund, with an outstanding liability of \$400,000 for the payback. The Subcommittee could utilize that funding for the project cost of \$334,264.

Chairman Arberry informed the Subcommittee that a motion to approve should include funding Project Number C11 with reserve funding from the Building and Grounds Division budget.

Senator Raggio pointed out that the "Remarks" column of the exhibit indicated that Project Number C11 had been purchased with General Funds and he wondered whether utilizing the reserves of the Building and Grounds Division would be appropriate. Mr. Raxter stated it would be appropriate because the Division was in the process of a 20-year payback to the General Fund and utilizing the Division's reserve would basically advance the remaining payback.

Senator Raggio referenced Project Number C13, the Las Vegas Readiness Center, and noted that the cost of \$935,098 for completion of the design had been funded through S.B. 496. He wondered whether that project would be adjusted. Mr. Raxter indicated that the total funding of \$27,154,030 did include the \$935,098.

Senator Raggio referenced Project Number C14, Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (SNAMHS), which would add a fourth pod to the psychiatric hospital, and he asked whether that project had been funded. Mr. Raxter explained that Project Number C14 had been funded via A.B. 204.

Senator Raggio asked for clarification regarding Project Number C12. Mr. Raxter stated that C12 would fund \$900,000 for the redundant UPS and generator for the computer facility. However, the PWB had provided a budget adjustment recommending that Project C12 be deleted in order to utilize that funding for other projects to cover a portion of the inflationary construction cost increases.

Senator Raggio asked whether the funding amount was sufficient from bonding regarding Project Number C10, the Liberal Arts Building in Henderson. Mr. Raxter said the project only included furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E) costs and master planning for the Nevada State College. The \$1 million would address the FF&E and \$2.5 million of the FF&E would be deferred until the 2007 CIP.

SENATOR RAGGIO MOVED TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR PROJECT NUMBER C10 FROM BOND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,079,820; PROJECT NUMBER C11 WOULD BE FUNDED FROM THE RESERVES OF THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DIVISION; PROJECT NUMBER C12 WOULD BE DELETED; THE FUNDING FOR PROJECT NUMBER C13 WOULD BE REDUCED BY \$935,098, WHICH HAD BEEN FUNDED VIA S.B. 496; PROJECT NUMBER C14 WOULD BE DELETED; PROJECT C15 WOULD BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED.

ASSEMBLYMAN MARVEL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Arberry asked whether the Subcommittee had questions regarding Project Numbers C16 through C20c on page 3 of the exhibit. It was Chairman Arberry's understanding that Project C20 would be deferred and C20b would be phased-in with construction of two housing units during the upcoming biennium, with phase-in of the third housing unit contained on the 2007-09 CIP list.

Senator Raggio noted that Project Number C17, Veterans Nursing Home, Central Dining Room, had been revised by the PWB. Mr. Raxter concurred that the project had been adjusted in the amount of \$80,000 for additional construction costs. He noted that the project would be funded 53 percent from federal funds and the remaining percentage from State funds. Senator Raggio indicated there had been a question regarding the availability of federal funding for the Veterans Home, and he assumed that action by the Subcommittee would be contingent upon federal funding. Mr. Raxter stated that was correct. He explained that there was a waiting list of Veterans Home projects to be funded through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Project Number C17 was number 108 on federal Priority List 2 because there was no commitment from the State at the present time for the matching funds. If the Subcommittee approved the project, it would provide a commitment for State matching funds and would move the project to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Priority List 1, however, that would not guarantee immediate funding. Mr. Raxter explained that for FY2005 there were 82 projects on Priority List 1 of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The Subcommittee's action for Project Number C17 should be contingent upon receipt of federal funding.

Senator Raggio believed Project Number C20b, the proposed Phase IV for the High Desert State Prison (HDSP), was a major issue. There had been discussion regarding whether or not the entire project should be funded at the present time, and he asked Mr. Raxter to comment regarding that project. Mr. Raxter explained that Project Number C20b proposed three housing units of 168 cells each for a total of 504 cells. LCB staff's review of the Nevada Department of Corrections' (NDOC) long-range CIP for the housing of inmates indicated that in the 2007-09 biennium, which was when the requested housing units would come online, there would be a surplus of close custody beds. Staff review also determined that one housing unit could be deferred until the 2007 CIP project list and still accommodate the housing needs for the NDOC.

Senator Raggio suggested that the Subcommittee fund construction of two housing units recommended in Project Number C20b in the manner indicated in the exhibit through General Fund and bond funding, and include funding for the design of all three housing units. Senator Raggio suggested that the motion include funding for two housing units and funding the design for all three housing units. Mr. Raxter indicated that the PWB would be required to provide the construction costs for two housing units, the design costs for all three units, the site work costs for all three housing units, and the FF&E costs for two housing units.

SENATOR RAGGIO MOVED TO APPROVE PROJECT NUMBERS C16 THROUGH C20c AS RECOMMENDED IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET WITH ADJUSTMENTS IN C17 AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF; ADJUSTMENTS IN PROJECT NUMBER C18 AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF; ADJUSTMENTS IN PROJECT NUMBER C19 AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF; DELETION OF PROJECT NUMBER C20a; APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBER C20b WITH THE PROJECT COST FOR TWO HOUSING UNITS AND INCLUDING THE DESIGN COSTS FOR THREE HOUSING UNITS; AND DEFERRAL OF PROJECT NUMBER C20.

ASSEMBLYMAN PERKINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Senator Raggio suggested that the PWB provide the adjusted figures regarding Project Number C20b to LCB staff as soon as possible.

Chairman Arberry asked whether there were questions or comments from the Subcommittee regarding Project Numbers C25 through C35 and M02 through M08 on page 4 of the exhibit.

Assemblywoman Giunchigliani opined that maintenance projects appeared to go on and on, and if a building was going to be fixed, it should be fixed in a fairly timely manner to avoid additional costs. She asked whether there was a way to establish a time frame for maintenance projects and adopt a policy to either "use it or lose it." Ms. Giunchigliani asked whether maintenance projects had a "life cycle" of some type. Chairman Arberry opined that Ms. Giunchigliani had raised a very good point, and he asked if there was a standing rule or time frame for the PWB to complete the maintenance projects, or should the Subcommittee include a time frame in its motion to approve the maintenance projects.

Mr. Raxter explained that the CIP bill was written so that all projects, including maintenance and construction, had a 4-year time frame. That did not preclude a project from extending past 4 years, but the Subcommittee would have to approve any extensions. Mr. Raxter indicated that the Subcommittee would review a list from the PWB for current project extensions in the near future. That would not preclude the Subcommittee from suggesting a change in the policy to establish a time frame of 2 or 3 years for maintenance projects.

Ms. Giunchigliani noted that the Subcommittee did not have to settle that matter at the present hearing, but she did believe that the issue should be addressed by the Subcommittee. It would be no different from vacancy

savings, which at times went on ad infinitum while several hundred positions were held open. Ms. Giunchigliani opined that if there was a violation of the fire code, it should be fixed; she asked why it took 4 years to complete maintenance projects. She believed it would be interesting for the Subcommittee to review the list from the PWB regarding the extension of maintenance projects. Ms. Giunchigliani asked that the issue be discussed at the next CIP meeting in order to establish a policy.

Chairman Arberry stated he would accept a motion.

SENATOR RAGGIO MOVED TO APPROVE ITEMS C25 THROUGH C35 WITH ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATIONARY INCREASES AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, AND TO APPROVE M02 THROUGH M08 WITH ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATIONARY INCREASES AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, AND INCLUDING THE REVISED COST ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD REGARDING PROJECT NUMBER M03, WHICH DECREASED THE COST BY \$1 MILLION DUE TO DEFERRAL OF THE SCOPE OF THE PROJECT.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GIUNCHIGLIANI SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Arberry indicated that the Subcommittee would consider projects on page 5 of [Exhibit B](#) and asked Mr. Raxter to provide explanation of Project Number M18.

Mr. Raxter explained that Project Number M18 was a recommendation by the Governor for funding of approximately \$3.8 million to replace air handling units at the Ely State Prison. Information provided by the PWB indicated that the project was actually the first phase of a two-phase project for replacement of the air handling units. Mr. Raxter noted that the air handling units were the original units at the Ely State Prison and were the same age. He indicated that the Subcommittee could recommend that the project be deferred to the 2007 CIP project list, when both phases could be completed.

The Chair stated he would accept a motion to approve Project Numbers M09 through M17, with deferral of Project Number M18.

ASSEMBLYMAN PERKINS MOVED TO APPROVE PROJECT NUMBERS M09 THROUGH M17, AND DEFER PROJECT NUMBER M18.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GIUNCHIGLIANI SECONDED THE MOTION.

In order to clarify his motion, Assemblyman Perkins stated that the motion would include inflationary adjustments as recommended by staff:

- M09 included an increase of \$10,000
- M10 included an inflationary adjustment of \$15,000
- M11 was approved as recommended by the Governor
- M12 included an inflationary adjustment of \$10,000
- M13 and M14 as recommended by the Governor

- M15 included an inflationary adjustment of \$230,000
- M16 and M17 as recommended by the Governor
- M18 deferred

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chairman Arberry asked whether there were questions from the Subcommittee regarding Items M19 through M27 on page 6 of the exhibit.

Mr. Raxter indicated that Project Number M27 was a project to renovate the Las Vegas Native Plant Nursery for the Forestry Division. The project cost was \$524,995. Mr. Raxter pointed out that the Forestry Nursery Fund was an Enterprise Fund that could support the repayment to the General Fund for the project cost. In approving the project, the Subcommittee might wish to include a repayment provision from the Forestry Nursery Fund.

Senator Raggio asked what type of repayment plan would be indicated. Mr. Raxter explained that a normal repayment plan for a maintenance-type project was either a 10- or 20-year time frame, based on the size of the project. Considering the fact that Project Number M27 included reconstruction of the shade structure, a 20-year time frame would be applicable.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GIUNCHIGLIANI MOVED TO APPROVE
PROJECT NUMBERS M19 THROUGH M27.

Senator Raggio asked that the motion include inflationary increases and the request for repayment of project costs from the Forestry Division over a 20-year period regarding Project M27. Ms. Giunchigliani concurred with that request.

SENATOR RAGGIO SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chairman Arberry referenced page 7 of [Exhibit B](#), Project Numbers M28 through M35, and asked whether there were questions from the Subcommittee.

Mr. Raxter noted that Projects M28 through M35 included increases due to inflationary increases in construction costs. Regarding Project Number M30, the Lovelock Correctional Center, building structural remediation project, Mr. Raxter explained that there had been a recommended increase by the PWB of \$119,085 to include costs for remote site and security allowance, since the project was located at the Lovelock Correctional Center. Typically, said Mr. Raxter, projects for the Lovelock Correctional Center included a remote site allowance and a security allowance.

ASSEMBLYMAN PERKINS MOVED TO APPROVE PROJECT
NUMBERS M28 THROUGH M35 AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF,
INCLUDING INFLATIONARY INCREASES.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN LESLIE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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The Chair opened discussion on Project Numbers M36 through M42 on page 8 of the exhibit.

Mr. Raxter pointed out that The Executive Budget recommended project funding of \$5,513 for prison security in project M38, the recommendation for boiler replacement at the Warm Springs Correctional Center. That amount would address overtime costs for NDOP staff and Mr. Raxter stated that the PWB had indicated that the cost for overtime could be removed from the project.

Mr. Raxter stated that Project Number M42 was the recommendation by the Governor for \$265,943 to secure six buildings at the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) campus in Sparks. During previous budget hearings regarding the project, there had been discussion regarding whether or not to recommend demolition of the six buildings rather than incurring continuing costs for securing the buildings. Mr. Raxter noted that the cost to demolish the buildings would be \$1.6 million.

Senator Raggio believed that it would be foolish to continue approving \$25 million or more each session to stabilize the buildings at the NNAMHS campus and he opined that the Subcommittee should "bite the bullet" and authorize the necessary funding to demolish the buildings. Senator Raggio noted that the buildings were probably full of asbestos and pigeons, et cetera. The Legislature had put money in those six buildings over the years and Senator Raggio urged the Subcommittee to fund the demolition of the buildings as expeditiously as possible.

Assemblywoman Leslie concurred with Senator Raggio, and she assumed that the "answer" of \$1.6 million was in response to the Subcommittee's question regarding the cost to demolish those buildings. Mr. Raxter indicated that the PWB had responded to the Subcommittee's question on April 29, 2005, and members should have received a copy of that reply. The PWB indicated that the cost for demolition would be \$1.6 million to demolish Buildings 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, and 24. Ms. Leslie indicated that during the last visit she had made to the NNAMHS campus, she had been asked not to enter some of the buildings, and she believed it was time to move forward with demolition.

SENATOR RAGGIO MOVED TO APPROVE ITEMS M36 THROUGH M41 INCLUSIVE AS RECOMMENDED, INCLUDING INFLATIONARY ADJUSTMENTS, AND APPROVE FUNDING FOR PROJECT M42 IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO DEMOLISH THE SIX UNINHABITED BUILDINGS ON THE SPARKS CAMPUS OF THE NNAMHS.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN LESLIE SECONDED THE MOTION.

Senator Mathews noted that the first building ever built on the campus was an historical building and she wondered whether there was any way to save that building. Chairman Arberry said that building was not on the list for demolition.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chairman Arberry asked the Subcommittee to review Project Numbers M43 through M46, and P01 through P04 on page 9 of [Exhibit B](#).

Mr. Raxter indicated that the PWB had provided information regarding Project Number M43, the recommendation for security upgrades for the Nevada State Library and Archives, which indicated that there had been an error on the original project cost estimate. According to Mr. Raxter, there was an additional \$445,000 recommended to correct that error, and an additional \$55,000 for inflationary construction costs. The total project cost would increase by \$500,000.

The Budget Division had submitted a budget amendment regarding Project Number M45. Mr. Raxter stated that the amendment would include the project in the recommended 2005 CIP, including \$500,000 in General Fund monies; that funding was originally included in the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC), Director's Office budget for a different type of maintenance project. The Governor had recommended in the budget amendment that the other project be deleted and that the \$500,000 be utilized for Project Number M45, sewage treatment upgrades at the Southern Nevada Correctional Center at Jean. The project would represent an add to the CIP list.

Mr. Raxter noted that another add to the 2005 CIP list would be Project Number M46, which was the recommendation for approximately \$1.6 million to fund masonry repairs at the Stewart Complex. Mr. Raxter explained that the recommendation had been included in The Executive Budget in the operating budget for the Buildings and Grounds Division. In closing the Division's budget, the Subcommittee recommended that the funding for that project be relocated to the CIP program, based on the size and type of the project.

SENATOR RAGGIO MOVED APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBERS M43 THROUGH M46 INCLUSIVE, AND PROJECT NUMBERS P01 THROUGH P04 INCLUSIVE, INCLUDING INFLATIONARY ADJUSTMENTS, AND INCLUDING BUDGET AMENDMENT 53 REGARDING PROJECT NUMBER M45.

SENATOR CEGAVSKE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Chair called for discussion regarding Project Numbers P05 through P19 on page 10 of the exhibit.

Mr. Raxter indicated that Project Number P05 included planning funds for the recommended Women's Reentry Center in North Las Vegas, which would be in addition to the existing Women's Correctional Center in North Las Vegas. The PWB had submitted a budget amendment to increase the amount of planning funds for the project in the amount of \$1.4 million. Mr. Raxter explained that those funds would be taken from Project Number P07, which was a separate planning project for Prison Number 8. The reason for removal of the funding from Project Number P07 was that the NDOC's inmate population projection indicated a need for additional women's beds in 2008, and provision of additional planning funds would allow for planning through construction documents for the Women's Reentry Center. Mr. Raxter stated the funding

would allow completion of Project Number P05 in 2008, assuming that the 2007 Legislature approved construction funding for that project.

According to Mr. Raxter, the action would leave a remaining balance of \$383,000 in Project Number P07 for initial advance planning for Prison Number 8, which was the recommendation for a 1,500-bed facility in southern Nevada. Mr. Raxter noted that the project contained initial funding for planning that consisted basically of examination of the core infrastructure needs of the facility and the existing Indian Springs Correctional Complex infrastructure, and how that might be utilized for the additional prison. The PWB had indicated that it would be required to approach the 2007 Legislature to request the remaining planning funding for Project Number P07, and approach the 2009 Legislature for the construction funding.

Mr. Raxter noted that the Subcommittee might wish to defer the \$383,000 until the 2007 CIP list, when the remaining planning funding would be requested for Project Number P07.

Mr. Raxter stated that Project Number P08 was the recommendation for funding for advance planning for the new Campos Building in Las Vegas. He indicated that the current Campos Building was occupied by the Division of Parole and Probation and the building was too small to meet the needs of the Division. The recommendation was to demolish the current building and build a replacement structure. Mr. Raxter stated that the initial recommendation was to build a replacement structure on the existing site, but due to the size of the site, a parking structure would be required to accommodate the necessary parking. Since Project Number P08 had been proposed, the PWB had been informed by the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) that it was considering an interchange project within the vicinity of the existing building site, which would have an impact on the site. Mr. Raxter stated at the present time, the PWB did not know the impact to the site regarding the amount of land needed by the NDOT to accommodate the interchange.

According to Mr. Raxter, during the budget hearing for Project Number P08 the PWB indicated there would be some issues with the freeway interchange regarding the impact on the building because one of the roadways would be elevated by 8 feet and another elevated by 20 feet, which would be very close to the building location. Mr. Raxter noted that the elevated roadway would have the effect of having the building contained in a "fishbowl" in comparison to the roadways. The PWB requested that if Project Number P08 was approved, that the funding should not be site-specific to a particular location. However, stated Mr. Raxter, if the funding was not site-specific, the PWB would have to specify an alternative location in order to complete the project because the project included the planning through construction documents phase. Mr. Raxter indicated that meant that an alternative site would need to be selected before the PWB could complete the planning project. Mr. Raxter noted that the Subcommittee might wish to defer Project Number P08 until the 2007 CIP list, until an alternative site was recommended.

ASSEMBLYMAN HETTRICK MOVED APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBERS P05, P06, P09, P10, P18, AND P19, INCLUDING INFLATIONARY ADJUSTMENTS; PROJECT NUMBERS P07, P08, AND P12 WOULD BE DEFERRED.

SENATOR MATHEWS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Senator Coffin asked whether it would be possible for the PWB to work with the City of Las Vegas regarding a land swap for Project Number P08. Mr. Raxter stated that the PWB had indicated that it was meeting with representatives from the City of Las Vegas, the NDOT, the Division of State Lands, and the Parole and Probation Division to discuss that very topic. The PWB was looking at a possible land trade, however, Mr. Raxter explained that the City of Las Vegas actually held title to the existing land parcel. Since the State did not own the land, Mr. Raxter noted that it would not be a "land trade," but the PWB was working with those agencies to develop an alternative location.

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The Chair opened discussion on Project Numbers P20 and P28, and S01 through S07 on pages 11 and 12 of the exhibit.

Regarding Project S01, the Statewide Roofing Program, Mr. Raxter explained that staff recommended total funding of \$5,122,932, which was an increase of \$1,503,880 over the Governor's recommendation. In closing the budget for the Buildings and Grounds Division, the recommendation was that the roofing repairs included in the Division's operating budget be moved to the CIP program. Mr. Raxter indicated that the funding amount and the funding source (General Fund) would remain the same, but the funding would be placed in the CIP program.

Mr. Raxter noted that the PWB had provided an amendment indicating that the project costs for Project S06 could be decreased by \$705,074 due to the availability of remaining funds in the 2003 statewide project.

ASSEMBLYMAN MARVEL MOVED APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBERS P20 AND P28, AND S01 THROUGH S07, INCLUDING INFLATIONARY INCREASES.

ASSEMBLYMAN PERKINS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chairman Arberry opened discussion on Project Number U01 on page 12 of [Exhibit B](#).

Mr. Raxter stated that staff recommended no change in the total funding of \$15 million for Project Number U01.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GIUNCHIGLIANI MOVED APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBER U01.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN LESLIE SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Chairman Arberry indicated that staff would provide a reconciliation to the Subcommittee at its next meeting on May 24, 2005, regarding the projects closed at the present meeting. At that time, the Subcommittee would consider the remaining CIP and Higher Education projects. Chairman Arberry asked the PWB to meet with Ms. Giunchigliani and provide the requested information regarding Project Number C01.

Daniel O'Brien, Manager, PWB, stated that he would meet with Ms. Giunchigliani, but he noted that on March 29, 2005, the PWB had provided staff with a breakdown of the comparisons between stucco and tile, et cetera, including the funding breakdown.

With no further business to come before the Subcommittee, Chairman Arberry adjourned the meeting.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Carol Thomsen
Transcribing Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblyman Morse Arberry Jr., Chairman

DATE: _____

Senator William J. Raggio, Chairman

DATE: _____

<u>EXHIBITS</u>			
Committee Name: <u>Assembly Committee on Ways and Means/Senate Committee on Finance Joint Subcommittee on Higher Education and Capital Improvements</u>			
Date: <u>May 23, 2005</u>		Time of Meeting: <u>5:00 p.m.</u>	
Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
	A		Agenda
	B	Tracy Raxter, LCB	Recommended CIP Program for 2005-07