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## Boulder City Promotes Railroad Museum and Linear Park Expansion to Lawmakers in Carson City

**BOULDER CITY** – Leaders from the City of Boulder City joined the Chamber of Commerce in Carson City last week to advocate for state funding of the Southern Nevada Railroad Museum and Linear Park in Boulder City. Mayor Rod Woodbury and Mayor pro tem Peggy Leavitt met with Nevada legislators along with City Manager Al Noyola, Community Development Director Michael Mays, Communications Manager Lisa LaPlante, CEO of Boulder City Chamber of Commerce Jill Lagan and Chamber Consultant Larry Bender.

The group was promoting the expansion of the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Boulder City. The three phased, \$35 million project includes:

- A new 9,700 sq. ft. visitor's center
- New boarding platforms
- A new linear park that would include children interactive amenities
- Trail linkages to the River Mountain Loop Trail

"This project aligns well with Boulder City's recent Strategic Plan 2020-2025, where established goals include 'Promote Historic Preservation,' 'Invest in Infrastructure' and 'Manage Growth and Development,'" Mayor Rod Woodbury stated. "I'm proud of the museum staff and volunteers who promote our rich culture and history to over 40 million regional tourists per year. Expansion of this important community asset will bring more tourists to Boulder City and help support local businesses."

Two current active bills that could fund this project are:

- A.B. 84 which provides \$200 million in state bonding authority, of which up to \$25 million could be allocated for this project; OR
- S.B. 64 which seeks \$15 million for the project.

City staff told lawmakers that they're only seeking one bill's passage. "In all, we met with twenty influential lawmakers from the Nevada Senate and Assembly," said City Manager Al Noyola. "We were glad to see Legislator support for the project and were able to answer questions from state leaders that could have an impact on the future of the project."

The Chamber of Commerce formed a Blue Ribbon Committee focused on raising private dollars to support state funding of the museum. "We have been working closely with the state for several years, and feel very optimistic after the meetings last week," said Lagan. "State investment here strengthens other nearby tourist attractions and businesses. This project would be a win for the entire region."

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