

ADDENDUM FOR THE RECORD: The committee did by informal caucus agree to give AB 783 which provides for creation of consolidated municipality in Clark County a Do Pass. The move was made over the objection of Mello and Branch with Dini not voting.

Present: Smith, Branch, Dini, Lingenfelter, Bryan Hafen, Mello, Getto and Hilbrecht.

Absent: Wood.

Chairman Smith introduced Assemblyman Jacobsen who appeared with Speaker McKissick to comment on AB 100 and AB 193. It was explained that AB 193 had been give an indefinite postponement by the committee after a full hearing from the county commissioners had been held.

AB 100 authorizes the board of county commissioners to act as or to appoint members of board of trustees of general improvement districts. Assemblyman Jacobsen explained that this bill was requested as a means of lessening the overburdening workload presently being felt by the county commissioners. He said the present Ormsby County Commissioners needed this relief and a survey of the commissioners supports this bill. Speaker McKissick said that it was a county commissioners' request that this bill be passed.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass AB 100.

Dini seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Assemblyman Mello explained to the committee that SB 427 amending the Sparks city charter had been reviewed and a decision reached to accept it with amendments. He read the amendments to the committee and explained them. The Mayor's salary will remain at \$6,000 and the other amendments were outlined.

Mello moved to amend SB 427 and Do Pass as amended.

Branch seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Smith said that the primary purpose of this meeting was to discuss AB 767 which would allow limited annexation by the City of Henderson of the industrial complex adjoining it known as Basic Metals Industries. Introduced were:

Mayor William R. Hampton - Henderson; George W. Charchalis, Paul Marshall - Henderson Councilman; City Administrator, Henderson Jim Ryan - Clark County Commissioner; Mr. Francey, Titanium Metals, Inc. Glen Taylor, Manager, B.M.I.; Clark County Manager Dave Henry and Assemblyman Art Espinosa.

Mayor Hampton explained to the committee that the local management of Basic Metals Industries and the city government of Henderson had been working together on plans to proceed with this annexation proposal.

He stated further that the B.M.I. management position had been changed just recently in opposition to the plan. However, he stated that there was still good rapport and some support for the plan. He asked that City Administrator George Charchalis continue the comments. 405

Mr. Charchalis outlined the growth of the City of Henderson following World War II as an adjunct to the industrial complex that had been established during the war. A significant part of Henderson consists of low value housing units acquired from the War Assets Administration together with some more valuable residential properties that have been constructed since. The city has been developed so that now it is operating very efficiently and is in good financial condition. The ad valorem tax base however is the lowest per capita in the state. The value of this annexation proposal, he stated, would be to increase the tax base for Henderson in such manner that some needed municipal improvements good be met by minimal long term bond issue. The fire department could be improved in such manner that the services to B.M.I. could be utilized. Other services on a permissive basis could be provided the complex.

Mr. Francey of Titanium Metals and Mr. Glen Taylor, Manager of B.M.I., both asserted that the nature of the industry in the complex is such that specially trained and maintained fire fighting forces and equipment are necessary. Regardless of where the complex were located this intra-trained fire protection force would of necessity have to be maintained. The added value of the City of Henderson service would be minimal, they asserted.

It was developed that the City of Henderson provides the housing and residential adjunct for the labor force of the industrial complex. However, the complex was not incorporated into the city and it is felt that there should be a closer affinity developed for the good of the whole.

The committee was afforded an opportunity to question the people who had appeared and they were then thanked for their presentations and excused from the meeting.

The committee discussed the provisions of AB 767 with regard to the consolidated municipality proposal contained in AB 783. Some members of the committee expressed concern that in asking for annexation Henderson would, in fact, be asking for additional responsibility that would outweigh the advantages of the increased tax base that might be realized. It was suggested that Henderson would better itself more by becoming a part of the greater municipality proposed in AB 783. However, the present position of Henderson is more remote from Las Vegas and its internal make-up closely allied with the industrial complex which is foreign to the economic basis in the Las Vegas Valley.

Chairman Smith asked the committee to study the bill in the light of the discussions of this meeting. As a resident of Henderson, he together with Assemblyman Espinosa explained the Henderson position to the committee and the background of the negotiations that have taken place between B.M.I. and the City on the proposal.

The meeting was then adjourned.