

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

NOVEMBER 13, 2018

PRESENT:

**Marsha Berkbigler, Chair**

**Kitty Jung, Vice Chair**

**Bob Lucey, Commissioner**

**Vaughn Hartung, Commissioner**

**Jeanne Herman, Commissioner**

**Jan Galassini, Chief Deputy County Clerk**

**John Slaughter, County Manager**

**David Watts-Vial, Deputy District Attorney**

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:21 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

**18-0820      AGENDA ITEM 3 Public Comment.**

Ms. Vicky Maltman expressed concern about the ballot mailing and voter registration procedures. She believed the Registrar of Voters needed to ensure third-party printers mailed out all materials. She spoke about unresolved issues with her ditches. She thought some things that happened in the County were improper.

Mr. Ray Lake spoke about Item 22 and presented a document, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk. He said the North Valleys Citizens Advisory Board voted at its April 9 meeting to recommend denial of the Lemmon Valley Estates project because of additional runoff which would go into Swan Lake and because of traffic. The traffic study reported 80 percent of the traffic from the proposed subdivision would head south, resulting in 417 returns per day on Military Road. He also referenced the Spaghetti Bowl environmental impact study which indicated the improvements from the Spaghetti Bowl to Parr Boulevard were part of phase three of the project and were scheduled from 2027 to 2029; there would be no meaningful relief until then. He asked the Board to uphold the denial of the Swan Lake Development Project.

Ms. Wendy Damonte, Vice President of Advocacy and Community Partnerships at Renown Health, reported on Renown Health's improved and expanded health care facilities. She described the number of newly-hired healthcare providers and their areas of specialty. She outlined improved facilities at both the regional hospital and the South Meadows hospital. She stated Renown Health focused growth on areas of greatest need and they would continue to assess and improve their services.

Ms. Tammy Holt-Still congratulated the Commissioners for remaining in their chairs after the election. She stated the Washoe County Question 1 (WC-1) ballot measure was an example of citizens uniting to make a statement. She said it was time for the Board to work with the community to correct things. She spoke regarding concerns about Lemmon Drive, annexation, and affordable housing.

Mr. Danny Cleous said he appreciated the work done on the Swan Lake nature study area. He questioned what would happen to the rest of money. He expressed frustration that the County did not like the City of Reno annexing its property but it gave over control anyway. He referenced a past bill intended to stop the City of Reno which was not supported by the Board. He expressed frustration about having lived on flood watch for two years. He was concerned there were no preventive measures or solutions for the flooding of Swan Lake.

Ms. Katherine Snedigar stated the County did not have the authority to make a violation of the Development Code a misdemeanor. She noted the Board had not taken steps to correct past citations. She said the State's interest in making Development Code violations misdemeanors in the Tahoe Regional Planning area was due to California's vested interest. She requested the Board make corrections for past citations.

**18-0821**      **AGENDA ITEM 4** Declaration of Canvass of the Vote and Order for 2018 General Election per NRS 293.387. Registrar of Voters (All Commission Districts.).

Registrar of Voters Deanna Spikula conducted a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk, and reviewed slides with the following titles: Election Statistics (2 slides); Equipment and Poll Workers; Early Voting; Election Day; Absentee/Mail In Ballots; County Workers; Special Thanks to Our Technology Services Department; Post-Election Activity; VVPAT Audit; Areas of Improvement Since the Primary; Areas for Review for Future Elections; What's Next?; Staff Introductions – Team ROV; and Thank You.

She compared voter turnout statistics to previous years' totals. She stated the percentage of voter turnout was the highest in the past 20 years. She said early voting was the preferred method of voting for this election. She noted one of her goals would be to find more early voting locations in areas with large population growth before the presidential election. She mentioned the need to recruit more early voting workers from the community. Many early voting workers had to work for 14 days in some locations, which was not a possibility for every volunteer. She announced this year there were two voting locations on tribal land for the first time. She indicated the absentee and mail-in ballot return rate was 91.7%. She asked volunteers in the audience to stand for recognition.

Chair of the Accuracy Certification Board Greg Neuweiler introduced members of that Board. He stated the audit was conducted on November 9 and November 11. He said the Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) rolls from the polling

machines were very large this year because of the good turnout. He explained the audit committee audited 24 machines because it gave each auditor an equal number of machines to audit and it represented 2.7% of the (VVPAT). That number exceeded the requirements for both the Nevada Revised Statute and the Nevada Administrative Code. He said in the past the edges used for the audit only had one barcode for each voter, but the new machines had five barcodes for each voter, which took much more time to review. He attested no votes were lost as a result of the audit and everything balanced.

Mr. Neuweiler anticipated the 2020 election would be challenging on account of the projected population growth. He said more volunteers would be needed and felt the Board needed to pay volunteers a higher salary because the \$9 per hour was less pay than a retail job. He said there was also a need for more voting equipment to match the increase in registered voters. The ratio of equipment to voters had gone down and resulted in poor customer service. He suggested the Board use the percentage of population growth as a guideline for the purchase of additional machines for the next election. He said voters voiced dissatisfaction with the wait-times and efficiency at the polls and suggested additional poll workers and machines were needed to address both issues. He invited the Commissioners to observe the certification of an election.

Commissioner Jung thanked Mr. Neuweiler and all poll workers who worked on the election, and stated the public service and patriotism of election volunteers was recognized. She asserted she would work to increase the salary of volunteers for the next election since she agreed with Mr. Neuweiler about the importance of investing in election volunteers. She was happy with the voter turnout, though she acknowledged the challenges faced by election volunteers on Election Day. She requested Ms. Spikula consider how best to resolve some of the issues voters faced on Election Day. For instance, it appeared many voters were unaware they could vote at any location on Election Day. She suggested buses would be one solution for helping voters get to the polls in a timely manner. She expressed pride of the voter turnout for the election.

Mr. Neuweiler said election workers appreciated the feeling of belonging and the visits from the Certification Board when they were out in the field. He heard many comments from voters that workers were very efficient. He said he received many good comments in general. He stated all staff members were in a good mood and polite to the voters.

Commissioner Jung thanked Mr. Neuweiler and suggested she, Mr. Neuweiler, and former Commissioner Jean Stoess work on a plan to find additional funding for the next election. She said the sooner the election staff made their requests regarding budget allocation, the better. Mr. Neuweiler noted a professor at the University of Nevada Reno offered extra credit for students who had early voting stickers, but the polls ran out of stickers. He said voters enjoyed and looked forward to recognition for early voting and certificates for first time voting. He stated all supplies needed to be in place at the polling locations for the next election.

Commissioner Jung suggested having a debrief with the any interested

certifiers and the Registrar of Voters to make notes for the next election. She wanted to look at the budget to find a way to allocate more money to the election.

Ms. Spikula mentioned there was an established partnership with the Regional Transportation Commission which provided free rides on Election Day. Voters only needed to look for existing routes.

Ms. Spikula discussed areas which were improved since the primary election and areas which would need improvement before future elections. She stated focus would be on improving sample ballots, increasing accessibility for voters by adding voting locations, and recruiting more volunteers. She said her office would be reviewing poll worker surveys and voter feedback to plan how to address as many issues as possible before the 2020 election.

Ms. Spikula introduced the Registrar of Voters' staff members, explained what their jobs entailed, and expressed her appreciation for their contributions to the office and the election process.

Commissioner Hartung noted it was Ms. Spikula's first general election and, given the big election cycle, she exceeded his and the Board's expectations. He said the entire staff did a great job putting the election together. He expressed pride in living in Washoe County. He stated volunteers made a difference in their communities and they made Washoe County what it was.

Commissioner Berkbigler referenced legislation passed during the last legislative session which made it possible for people to opt out of getting a printed ballot. She inquired about the number of voters who opted out.

Ms. Spikula responded only approximately 1,000 voters elected to opt out of paper ballots. She said they would like increase that number but it was difficult to inform people of the option. She stated her goal for 2020 was to work with Technology Services to improve the technology and increase voter response. She suggested a mobile application would make paperless ballots more appealing than a file link.

Commissioner Hartung said paperless ballot took time but numerous counties across the nation were completely paperless. He was aware of an option which would allow voters to compare candidates directly on the paperless sample ballot. He understood the technology was costly but asserted it was the direction the County needed to move toward. He hoped more people would use the paperless sample ballot. He wished to see a completely online ballot which would allow voters to access candidate information.

On the call for public comment, Mr. Richard Zinnic said there was not enough advertisement letting voters know they could vote anywhere or asking for volunteers. He suggested volunteers wear vests with name tags while working instead of street clothes. He emphasized the need for more advertisements to seniors, clubs,

churches, and any place where interested people may be recruited to volunteer. He spoke about volunteers' salary and training issues.

Ms. Tracey Thomas pointed out most volunteers were retired and her team members were over 70 years old. She thought asking them to consider having volunteers work 10-hour shifts for 14 days.

Commissioner Jung suggested the Board shake hands with election volunteers.

Deputy District Attorney David Watts-Vial said the Canvass of Return by NRS 293.387 required the Board to meet within six days following the election to canvass the return. He said the Board was required to note clerical errors and take count of changes resulting from the discovery so the results declared represented a true count of the vote.

Mr. Watts-Vial asked Ms. Spikula if she, as the Registrar of Voters, reviewed the election results. Ms. Spikula responded yes. Mr. Watts-Vial asked whether any errors were noted, whether there were any clerical errors, and whether there was a need for changes to the vote. Ms. Spikula replied no to the questions. Mr. Watts-Vial stated the responses provided were sufficient to declare the results of the election.

On motion by Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered the Declaration of Canvass of the Vote and Order for 2018 General Election be approved.

**11:24 a.m. The Board recessed.**

**11:33 a.m. The Board reconvened with all Commissioners present.**

**18-0822**

**AGENDA ITEM 22** Public Hearing continued from September 11, 2018: Appeal of the May 1, 2018 denial, by the Washoe County Planning Commission of Tentative Subdivision Map Case Number WTM18-004 (Lemmon Drive Estates) for a 98-lot single-family residential, common open space subdivision. Front yard setbacks may be reduced from 20 feet to 10 feet adjacent to a public street or common driveway, except for garages. Rear yard setbacks may be reduced from 20 feet to 10 feet. Side yard setbacks may be reduced from 8 feet to 5 feet. Required lot widths may be reduced from 80 feet to 75 feet.

The proposed project is located on the east side of Lemmon Drive, approximately 700 feet south of its intersection with Military Road. The Assessor's Parcel Number is 552-210-18. The subject property has a regulatory zone of Medium Density Suburban (MDS) (3 dwellings/acre). The total number of residences allowed, based upon the existing zoning, is 101. The applicant has requested to create 98 residential lots. The property owner and appellant is Chuck Bluth/Lakes at Lemmon Valley LLC.

The Board may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision of the Planning Commission. In doing so, the Board may remand the matter back to the Planning Commission with instructions, or may directly grant all or part of the appeal and approve the tentative subdivision map. Community Services. (Commission District 5.)

Planning Manager Trevor Lloyd conducted a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk, and reviewed slides with the following titles: Appeal of Denial of WTM18-004 (Lemmon Drive Estates); Previous Actions (3 slides); Project Evaluation (3 slides); Development Pattern; Storm Water Management; Recommendation; Possible Motions; Questions.

Mr. Lloyd stated the request was to reverse a decision by the Planning Commission (PC) for a tentative subdivision map for a 98-lot common open-space development. He said if the request was approved the appellant asked the Board to add conditions regarding remediation of the illegal grading work which occurred before the PC meeting. He stated the Planning and Engineering Department staff did not have any objections to the new conditions proposed by the appellant.

Mr. Lloyd noted the request was heard by the PC during their July meeting and they unanimously denied the request because they could not make the finding of adequate access. He said the design of the subdivision required right turn only access, necessitating a turnaround on Military Road.

Mr. Lloyd said there was a concern with storm water detention on site. He noted the applicants proposed oversizing the detention facilities to capture storm water due to flooding concerns in the Lemmon Valley basin. He stated the Planning Division recommended the Board affirm the denial of the development project. He directed the Board to the two possible motions in the staff report.

Mr. Dave Snelgrove, Planning and Right of Way Manager for CFA, conducted a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk. He reviewed slides with the following titles: Property Location; Continued from September 11th BOCC Hearing; Illegal Grading Issue (3 slides); Conceptual Disturbance Exhibit; Special Use Permit Slope Analysis Map; Washoe County Conditions of Approval; Property Land Use Designation; Distance to Services; Transit Service; Tentative Map Slope Analysis Map; Preliminary Landscape Plan; Project Design; Cluster Development Pattern; Pedestrian Paths; Project Drainage and Detention; Project Access and Traffic; North Valleys – Street and Highway System Plan; Perspective View from the South; Regional Transportation Commission Right-of-way section; Development of Surrounding Properties; Vista Hills PUD; Lemmon Drive/Military Road Intersection Current Configuration; Project Access and Traffic; Neighboring Property Owner Concerns; Conditions Modifications (3 slides); Legal Findings; and Questions.

Mr. Snelgrove stated illegal grading performed by the appellant at the site was identified at the PC meeting. He said the special use permit (SUP) submitted to the Board of Adjustment (BOA) was denied. He stated the disturbed area was only about 2.4% of the overall site. He noted much the grading which was done involved crushing brush rather than movement of earth. He said they submitted the SUP as soon as they became aware of the requirement. He reviewed the steps the appellant took to correct the illegal grading issue.

Mr. Snelgrove went over details of the proposed subdivision including the dwellings per acre ratio, streets, common areas, and pedestrian paths. He stated the project was based on an existing subdivision in Sparks called The Preserve. He reviewed the drainage and detention requirements and noted the proposed project would detain much more water than required. He noted the 15 lots within the flood plain would be raised out of the flood plain area.

Mr. Snelgrove reviewed the traffic concerns identified by the PC and stated the project would result in 926 average daily trips. He noted Lemmon Drive was classified as a moderate access control arterial, which resulted in a higher prevalence of U-turns. He displayed a perspective view of the area and discussed commercial and residential development projects which would eventually increase traffic enough to warrant a traffic signal. He stated the intersection at Lemmon Drive and Military Road required modifications to the island to allow larger passenger vehicles to make U-turns, but smaller vehicles would be able to make U-turns without modifications. He also discussed how the concerns of neighboring property owners and the City of Reno were addressed by the addition or modification of permit conditions.

Commissioner Hartung indicated his discomfort with the request because of traffic concerns and the unsuitability of the location for residential development. He asked whether the applicant had considered a commercial development. He expressed concern about school buses needing to make U-turns due to the right-turn only access. He questioned how the applicant addressed suitability.

Mr. Snelgrove responded the development would utilize the medium density suburban designation already available. He stated Washoe County was limited by the regional plan to five dwelling units per acre and the developer was working with what was available to them. The development would not meet the requirement for a traffic signal unless it was intensified significantly.

Commissioner Hartung stated from a planning perspective he would consider form and function. He said the suitability of a piece of property might be different from the zoning designation and that would need to be considered.

Mr. Loren Chilson from Traffic Works explained the right-turn only requirement was due to the Regional Transportation Plan, which called for a six-lane facility. He said there would be a median on that road within approximately the next five years. They were planning the right-turn option on future development. He said left turns could be made there as an interim condition but he suggested right turns from the development with a U-turn at the light was the safest option.

On the call for public comment, Ms. Denise Ross expressed concern about the applicant's past actions with regards to illegal grading on the development site. She spoke about traffic safety concerns on Lemmon Drive and cautioned about the effects of additional traffic, particularly during bad weather.

Ms. Tammy Holt-Still displayed a video of traffic on the intersection of Military Road and Lemmon Drive. She stated the applicant had not submitted the required intent-to-serve letter to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and had thus violated Nevada Revised Statute. She expressed concern about the lack of sewer facilities to serve the proposed subdivision and urged the Board to uphold the denial of the subdivision.

Mr. Danny Cleous spoke regarding traffic safety concerns on Military Road and expressed concern about the additional traffic the subdivision would produce. He spoke about the proposed drainage plan for the subdivision, which would place the detention pond next to a creek that flooded regularly. He mentioned the timing of the applicant's actions and said the request needed to be denied.

Commissioner Herman declared her commitment to prevent additional effluent going into Swan Lake. She stated she did not dislike the proposed project, but she cared about additional water going into Swan Lake.

Commissioner Hartung was apprehensive about the proposed right-turn only road access, referencing a similar scenario at a development in Spanish Springs. He said the Nevada Department of Transportation made changes in expectation of future development that never occurred and the public safety issue remained. He expressed serious concern about bus traffic and said there were too many issues with the proposal. He was not particularly concerned with effluent. He asserted the County had a plan to manage effluent effectively within the next five to ten years. He stated there were a

number of other items of concern on the property. He remarked the flood plain on the property was significant and would ultimately become the County's responsibility. He stated he would not support the project.

Commissioner Herman moved to uphold the denial. Commissioner Hartung seconded the motion.

Mr. Lloyd asked the Board to consider approving the remediation conditions, which would allow staff to ensure enforcement of the illegal grading.

Chair Berkbigler asked if the mover would be willing to approve the remediation work required by the County. The mover and seconder agreed to the change in the motion.

On motion by Commissioner Herman, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered to uphold the position of the PC and the Board of Adjustment with the requirement that the applicant must do the maintenance pursuant to County ordinances.

**18-0823      AGENDA ITEM 5 Introduction of new Washoe County Employees.**

John Slaughter, County Manager, asked the following employees to introduce themselves to the Board:

Carolina Stickle, Clerk's Office  
Jessica Conner, Health Services  
Shannon Aller, Sheriff's Office

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

**18-0824      AGENDA ITEM 6 Presentation of Excellence in Public Service Certificates honoring the following Washoe County employees who have completed essential employee development courses.**

County Manager John Slaughter stated Washoe County encouraged life-long learning and the professional development of all employees. He explained the Excellence in Public Service program administered by the Human Resources Department was designed to support employee development and performance. The courses were completed over a two-year period and demonstrated employees' commitment to personal and professional improvement and Washoe County's journey of excellence.

Mr. Slaughter recognized the following employees:

**Essentials of High Performing Teams**  
Lindarae Ohlson, Comptroller

**Essentials of Personal Effectiveness**

Nancy Mason, Human Services Agency

**Essentials of Support Staff**

Nancy Mason, Human Services Agency

Chair Berkbigler congratulated the employees who received certificates and thanked them for all of their efforts. She said it was great to have good employees.

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

**PROCLAMATION**

**18-0825**     **9A** Proclaim the week of November 12-18, 2018 as National Apprenticeship Week.

Commissioner Jung read and presented the Proclamation to Dian Vanderwell, the Northern Nevada Apprenticeship recruiter. Commissioner Jung acknowledged the difficulties of training, recruitment, and retention during the recession. She thanked those who made it through the difficult times.

Ms. Vanderwell thanked the Board for the Proclamation.

Mr. Randy Canale, Training Coordinator for the Pipe Trades Apprenticeship and President of the National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA), thanked the Board for the Proclamation. He stated registered apprenticeship was not an alternative to college, it was a four-year degree. He said their programs were associated with Truckee Meadows Community College and apprentices earned credits toward degrees in construction. He explained apprentices who went through the program were paid and did not incur debt, adding health and retirement benefits were also available. He cited the average age of construction workers in Nevada was 50 years old. He indicated the apprentices going into the workforce would be vital for the local construction industry.

Mr. Matthew Murdock said he spent many years in a dead-end trade and he could not provide for his family. He showed appreciation for having a career in the pipe trade and praised the program for taking care of its diverse apprentices.

Mr. Jamie Newlun, a third-year apprentice with the Sheet Metal Workers Local 26, stated the move to join the union was beneficial for him and his family.

Mr. Dylan Cimadon said the apprenticeship was more than a job, it was a family.

There was no public comment on the Proclamation listed above.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 9A be adopted.

**12:39 p.m.**     **Commissioner Hartung left the meeting.**

**18-0826**     **AGENDA ITEM 7**     Appearance: Kevin Verre, Assistant Chief, Multi-Modal and Program Development Nevada Department of Transportation. Presentation and update on major transportation studies and project, including the One Nevada Plan, I-11 Northern Nevada Alternatives Analysis, Spaghetti Bowl Project and US 395 North improvements.

Assistant Chief of the Multi-Modal and Program Development with the Nevada Department of Transportation Kevin Verre conducted a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk. He reviewed slides with the following titles: I-11 Northern Nevada Alternatives Analysis Planning and Environmental Linkage; Project Development Process; We held 6 community meetings; Initial Corridors & Evaluation Criteria; project rating pie-charts; Next Steps; One Nevada Transportation Plan; What is the One Nevada Transportation Plan?; Nevada's Vision and Goals; What is in the Plan?; Performance-Based Plan; Prioritizing Projects; For More Information; NDOT Major Projects Update; Spaghetti Bowl Project Timeline; Identify the Preferred Alternative; Final Public Hearing: December 12; Spaghetti Bowl Xpress; Spaghetti Bowl Xpress: Schedule; US395 North Valleys; I-80 East to USA Parkway; and Question & Answer.

Mr. Verre stated the I-11 planning level study considered viable corridors for the future interstate highway from Las Vegas to the I-80 area. He said a transportation bill from 2012 designated the US-93 corridor between Las Vegas and Phoenix as I-11 and the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) completed a study of similar corridors in 2014. The study also recognized the need to look beyond those two metro areas. He stated the study found the stretch of US-95 north of Las Vegas to the northern border of Nevada fit within the economic development plan of the State. He said the study of the area between Las Vegas and I-80 between the US-95 corridor was approved by the Transportation Board and included in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

Mr. Verre reported on community meetings held in March, July, and August, and stated a number of concerns were identified as a result of them. One concern was regarding how I-80 would interact with smaller rural communities. He said NDOT performed research on the economic effects of interstate facilities through communities, including many throughout the nation dealing with similar situations. He addressed another concern regarding what would happen to the future I-11 north of I-80. He said NDOT performed research to evaluate freight and critical corridor plans for states north of Nevada. He noted they looked at California, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and western Canada to ensure compatibility with neighboring areas.

Mr. Verre reviewed the study area which consisted of a 450-mile long

corridor. For the study the corridor was divided into two segments: segment A from Las Vegas to Tonopah and segment B from Tonopah to I-80. He stated segment A presented significant land ownership and topography constraints and the only viable corridor would follow the US-95 corridor. He referred to the maps PowerPoint presentation, noting the solid lines represented existing facilities which would be used to develop the interstate while the dotted lines indicated areas where new facilities would be needed. He noted accommodations would be needed so the interstate could go through or around small towns.

Mr. Verre said the corridors were evaluated using the same criteria as the original study, which focused on the area between Las Vegas to Phoenix; the only addition was a technology category. He stated there were no other corridors to compare segment A against so they evaluated the corridor against a no-build option. He explained segment B included several viable options, each of which was rated on nine criteria using a five point scale. He said NDOT recommended moving forward with segment A1 from Las Vegas to Tonopah, then segments B2 and B3, which would roughly follow US-95 and US-95 alternate respectively. He concluded those three corridors would best facilitate a connection between Las Vegas and I-80, use existing facilities, and help economic development for communities along the way. He said as part of the next steps, NDOT would continue to work with communities to help them understand how the future I-11 would integrate with their communities.

Mr. Verre reviewed the One Nevada Transportation Plan (ONTP) which was a 20-year long-range performance based plan. He said the plan was developed by defining a vision for Nevada's transportation and considering critical areas. He noted the plan was data heavy but provided a good foundation for using State and federal dollars effectively and with transparency. He said the projects prioritized in the ONTP would be moved to meet the performance measures developed under the previous transportation bill. He reviewed the process used to prioritize projects for the ONTP.

Mr. Verre provided a timeline for the Spaghetti Bowl project and noted the completed National Environmental Policy Act document would be completed in June of 2019. He stated they were moving forward with the second alternative previously discussed. A public hearing was scheduled on December 12, 2018 with a deadline for comments of December 31, 2018.

Mr. Verre presented the timeline for the Spaghetti Bowl Xpress project and said they were currently reviewing statements of qualifications. They narrowed down the list of consultants to four. He reviewed completed and planned projects for US-395 in the north valleys. He provided an update on projects for I-80 East to USA Parkway.

Commissioner Jung asked for clarification about the selection of segments A1, B2, and B3 as the best case scenario for the I-11 project. Mr. Verre responded those were the recommendations they were moving forward with.

Commissioner Jung asked if segment A was untenable because of the cost.

Mr. Verre clarified the study area was divided into two segments and segment A only had one viable option. He said segment A spanned the area between Las Vegas and Tonopah.

Commissioner Jung asked why option B4 was abandoned. Mr. Verre stated B4 was abandoned because it did not meet the need as well as segments B2 and B3.

Commissioner Jung noted the Board did a federal shared framework study and spent a substantial amount of money locally. She said the Cities of Reno and Sparks, the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC), Washoe County, the Truckee Meadows Water Authority, and the Reno-Tahoe International Airport all went to Washington D.C. to lobby for segment B4. She asked for the group to reconvene and return to Washington. She stated elected officials said they would support B4.

Commissioner Jung asked Mr. Verre if the project would need approval by Congress. Mr. Verre answered no.

In response to Commissioner Jung's question, Mr. Verre explained NDOT received funding from the federal government and from the State. Commissioner Jung pointed out budgeting was therefore a legislative responsibility. She expressed displeasure with the recommended projects.

Commissioner Jung urged County Manager John Slaughter to meet and speak with the County's partners. She listed the individuals and agencies who lobbied for I-11 to go through the B4 corridor. She noted the counties where the B2 and B3 corridors were had representatives in Washington at the same time and they did not lobby for themselves. She stated she was not in agreement with the recommendation and would contest it. She said she was not told about the consensus groups. She reiterated a significant amount of money and effort was put into lobbying for this project and the delegation in D.C. indicated they would carry the recommendation. She stated she was completely opposed to NDOT's recommendations.

Commissioner Jung asked if NDOT had any interest in funding alternatives to vehicles. Mr. Verre responded they did not have the ability to fund transit or rail. Commissioner Jung asked why. Mr. Verre replied the urban core was the responsibility of the RTC. He indicated NDOT did receive funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for rural transit. Commissioner Jung asked whether the I-80 corridor would be considered rural. Mr. Verre replied local agencies would typically submit applications to be considered. Commissioner Jung asked for clarification about who would be considered local. She asked if the RTC qualify. Mr. Verre replied Washoe County's RTC received a direct allocation from the FTA.

Commissioner Jung remarked a variety of issues in Washoe County contributed to poor air quality, which resulted in many days when attainability for air quality was not reached. She asserted expanding roads and adding more traffic would create more issues in future. She stated un-attainment in air quality could cause economic

development to shut down. She said people would not want to live in such a community. She requested Mr. Slaughter explore how a representative from local government could participate in the NDOT advisory board. She indicated local government needed to have input in transportation decisions which would affect the County in the future if it continued to build more road miles instead of looking for alternatives.

Mr. Verre asked when the I-11 corridor issue was taken to the Legislature. Commissioner Jung responded it was in 2013 or 2014. Mr. Verre said it was partially through those lobbying efforts that they received the I-11 designation between Las Vegas and I-80. Commissioner Jung disagreed, pointing to the designation in red on the graphic which meant a non-favorable option. Mr. Verre replied the recommended corridor was 30 to 40 miles from Reno. Commissioner Jung responded it was not what they lobbied for. She stated Fallon, Fernley, Silver Springs and other rural towns did not participate in the lobbying.

Mr. Verre indicated he understood the Board had a Resolution with one of the cities. Commissioner Jung specified the Resolution was with the County, both cities, the RTC, the airport, and the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada were all involved.

Mr. Verre said the US-95 corridor was designated in the FAST Act, so that was why they considered all of the corridors near there.

Commissioner Jung said she felt options B2 and B3 were presented as consolation and she was not pleased.

Chair Berkbigler thanked Mr. Verre for the presentation. She hoped to have him return when the project was more advanced.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – 11A THROUGH 11H5**

- 18-0827**      **11A1** Approval of minutes for the Board of County Commissioner’s regular meetings of October 9, 2018 and October 16, 2018. Clerk. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0828**      **11A2** Acknowledge the communications and reports received by the Clerk on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners. Clerk. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0829**      **11A3** Acknowledge receipt of notice from Washoe County Clerk of a complaint received October 8, 2018 alleging a nuisance under NRS 244.360 on private property located in Sun Valley on the unpaved portion of Quartz Avenue between Jocelyn Lane and Sidehill Drive on Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 085-330-19, 085-330-23 and 085-330-20 on property owned by Robert W. and Norma C. Fink; and approve the fixing of a date for a hearing of the Board of County Commissioners to hear the proof of

the complainant and the property owner and to order publication of notice of the hearing at least once a week for 2 weeks next preceding the date of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation published in the county. Clerk. (All Commission Districts.)

**18-0830**

**11B** Approve a request to initiate proceedings to amend the Washoe County Code (Chapter 100 Building and Construction, Article 100.100.10) to adopt the following specialized or uniform codes (to replace existing 2012 versions now in effect) pursuant to NRS 244.105 by reference, with any changes necessary to make it applicable to conditions within Washoe County:

- 1) 2018 International Building Code (“IBC First Print”), chapters 1 through 35 and Appendices C, E, and I;
  - 2) 2018 International Residential Code (“IRC First Print”), chapters 1 through 44 and Appendices A, B, C, G, H, J, K, and Q;
  - 3) 2018 International Existing Building Code (“IEBC First Print”), chapters 1 through 16 and Appendices;
  - 4) 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (“IECC First Print”);
  - 5) 2018 Uniform Plumbing Code (“UPC First Print”), chapters 1 through 17 and Appendices A, B, D, E, I, and L;
  - 6) 2018 International Plumbing Code (“IPC First Print”), chapters 1 through 15;
  - 7) 2018 Uniform Mechanical Code (“UMC First Print”), chapters 1 through 17;
  - 8) 2018 International Mechanical Code (“IMC First Print”) chapters 1 through 15;
  - 9) 2018 International Fuel Gas Code (“IFGC First Print”), chapters 1 through 8 and Appendix A;
  - 10) 2018 International Wildland-Urban Interface Code (“IWUIC First Print”), chapter 5;
  - 11) 2018 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (“ISPSC First Print”), chapters 1 through 11;
  - 12) 2018 National Fire Protection Association (“NFPA”) 54 and 58 Code;
  - 13) 2017 National Electrical Code (“NEC First Print”);
  - 14) 2018 Northern Nevada Amendments by the Northern Nevada Chapter of the International Code Council; and
- Other matters relating to the provisions of Chapter 100, effective July 1, 2019. Community Services. (All Commission Districts.)

**18-0831**

**11C** Acknowledge the grant award from the Office of Traffic Safety to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of [\$30,000], (\$30,000 in-kind match required), to support the Specialty Court programs, effective retroactively October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments. District Court. (All Commission Districts.)

- 18-0832**      **11D**    Approve an increase in the salary range for the Assistant Medical Examiner classification (Pay Grade C001) as reviewed by Hay Korn Ferry; and authorize Human Resources to make the necessary changes. [Net fiscal impact \$84,439]. Human Resources. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0833**      **11E1**    Approve staff submitting a purchase requisition to County Purchasing for the Professional Services Agreement between the Washoe County Health District (WCHD) and Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) in the amount of [\$100,000.00] for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 in support of the Recycling and Solid Waste Management Plan program activities and recommend approval for the County Purchasing and Contracts Manager to sign and execute the Professional Services Agreement and purchase requisition. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0834**      **11E2**    Approve amendments totaling an increase of [\$62,744.00] in both revenue and expense (no match required) for the Family Planning Services Grant IO#11525 and direct the Comptroller's office to make the appropriate budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0835**      **11F1**    Approve an Agreement in Support of Pro-Bono and Low-Cost Legal Services for Elderly between Washoe County and Washoe Legal Services in the approximate annual amount not to exceed [\$65,000] funded by applicable court filing fees, retroactive July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, with the option to be extended for one (1) additional year, and approve necessary resolution for same. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0836**      **11F2**    Acknowledge FY19 appropriation transfer in the Human Services Agency, Fund 228 - Child Protective Services by moving [\$33,500] into the travel line item budget; [\$9,750] into the non-county travel line item budget and [\$13,000] into the food item budget (net impact to Child Protective Services Fund is zero). Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0837**      **11G1**    Accept a Local Emergency PC (LEPC) FY19 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant awarding [\$30,000.00 (no county match required)] including funds to be used for non-employee training; retroactive from October 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019; If approved authorize the County Manager or his designee to sign the grant award documents when received; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

- 18-0838**      **11G2** Approve a FFY18 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant passed through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) awarding [\$75,000.00 (no County match required)], for a Continuity of Operations and Continuity of Government project; retroactive from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020; If approved authorize the County Manager or his designee to sign the grant award documents when received; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0839**      **11G3** Approve Interlocal Cooperative Agreements (ICA) and acceptance of a contribution of [\$2,500.00] from the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony (RSIC), [\$7,500] from the City of Reno, and [\$7,500] from the Truckee River Flood Management Authority (TRFMA) for a Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan (RHMP) and direct the Comptroller's Office to make appropriate budget amendments. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0840**      **11H1** Approve the Traffic Safety / Radar Equipment / Radar Trailer grant [\$13,000.00, no cash match required; 25% in-kind match required] from the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to purchase radar equipment and a radar trailer for the retroactive grant term of 10/1/18 through 9/30/19 and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0841**      **11H2** Approve the Forensic Support Services Agreement between Washoe County on behalf of Washoe County Sheriff's Office and Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Police Department for Forensic Laboratory Analysis Service fees for the retroactive term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 with a total income of [\$8,463.00]. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0842**      **11H3** Acknowledge Receipt of Status Report of Commissary Fund submitted by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Commissary Committee for First Quarter for Fiscal Year 18/19. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0843**      **11H4** Approve the direct grant award from the State of Nevada, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance FFY 2018/2019 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), Project No. 18-JAG-23 for [\$35,000, no County match required] to support the All Threats All Crimes (ATAC) task force for the retroactive grant period of 10/1/18 through 9/30/19 and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 18-0844**      **11H5** Approve additional funding increase of [\$69,077.00, no match required] from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department on Behalf Of The Washoe County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses

associated with Internet Crimes Against Children investigations for the retroactive grant period of 7/1/17 through 8/31/19, and if approved, direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)

Commissioner Herman said she was pleased Agenda Item 11A3 was included on the agenda. She stated Agenda Item 11B appeared too large to be included on the consent agenda. She noted there were many changes included in the item and she had not seen any of the details.

Regarding Agenda Item 11A3, County Manager John Slaughter said the Board needed to set a date for the hearing as part of the motion. He stated November 27, 2018 was targeted as the date for the hearing. He noted Agenda Item 11B was the first step in the process of initiating proceedings and it gave staff permission to move forward. He said the details would come later.

Chair Berkgigler clarified there would be two public hearings for Agenda Item 11B, a first reading and second reading. She said the Board was only approving the request to initiate proceedings.

On the call for public comment Mr. Randy Canale expressed concern regarding change number six listed in Agenda Item 11B, which proposed adopting the International Plumbing Code (IPC). He read statute 444.340 from the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS). He said there were ways to change the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) listed in the item but it was because the UPC was codified. He said the IPC was not supposed to be considered. He wondered why a meeting would include something which was against State law. He reiterated the NRS included many options for modifying the UPC but did not allow for a different code to be adopted.

Chair Berkgigler asked for staff to review the item and wanted confirmation of NRS compliance before the public hearing.

On motion by Commissioner Herman, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Consent Agenda Items 11A1 through 11H5 be approved and a date of November 27, 2018 be set for public hearing on Item 11A3. Any and all Resolutions or Interlocal Agreements pertinent to Consent Agenda Items 11A1 through 11H5 are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

## **DONATIONS**

**18-0845** **10A** Accept monetary donations to Washoe County Regional Animal Services [\$7,504.81] received from July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018 to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at risk animals received; express appreciation for these thoughtful contributions; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Animal Services. (All Commission Districts.)

**18-0846** **10B** Accept a one-time in-kind appreciation gift donation of two dozen doughnuts [estimated value of \$25.00] from a private citizen to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and the Regional Aviation Enforcement (RAVEN) Unit. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment. Chief Deputy Clerk Jan Galassini indicated she received an email correspondence from Annemarie Grant regarding Agenda Item 10B, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Items 10A and 10B be accepted.

## **BLOCK VOTE – 12 THROUGH 21**

**18-0847** **AGENDA ITEM 12** Recommendation to award a bid and approve the Agreement to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder for the Mills B. Lane Justice Center Chiller Replacement Project [staff recommends Gardner Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$448,488.00]. Community Services. (Commission District 3.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be awarded and approved.

**18-0848** **AGENDA ITEM 13** Recommendation to approve an Agreement for Professional Consulting Services between Washoe County and Jacobs Engineering through January 31, 2020 to provide a Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Control System Master Plan and Operational Improvements for the Washoe County SCADA Networks [in the amount of \$422,800]. Community Services. (Commission Districts 2, 4, and 5.)

Ms. Tammy Holt-Still spoke regarding the structure and evaporation ponds for the water plant. She questioned why the County would build in a flood plain against County Code. She expressed concern over the County spending money on this project. She submitted a document which was placed on file with the Clerk.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 13 be approved.

**18-0849**      **AGENDA ITEM 14** Recommendation to approve the removal of uncollectible accounts receivable totaling [\$545,442.52] for the accounts assessed prior to October 31, 2008 and accounts past statute of limitations. Comptroller. (All Commission Districts.)

Commissioner Herman asked whether it would be possible to sell some properties under County ownership to pay uncollectible accounts. Deputy District Attorney David Watts-Vial said many of the accounts were assessed prior to October of 2008 and many were past the statute of limitations, so they were uncollectable. He said many of the accounts were charges for inmates at the jail and those assessed fees were very difficult to collect.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 14 be approved.

**18-0850**      **AGENDA ITEM 15** Recommendation to approve a FFY18 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) from the State of Nevada, Division of Emergency Management (NDEM) awarding [\$160,877.00 (\$160,877.00 County match required)] including funds to be used for travel; retroactive from October 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019 ; If approved authorize the County Manager or his designee to sign the grant award documents when received; and authorize the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 15 be approved and authorized.

**18-0851**      **AGENDA ITEM 16** Recommendation to approve the creation of one (1) new full-time Deputy Public Defender III position, under-fill pay grade A OO (Alternate Public Defender) beginning November 19, 2018, and one (1) new full-time Deputy Public Defender III position, under-fill pay grade A OO (Public Defender) beginning February 1, 2019; each with an annual range of \$68,827.20 to \$92,435.20. [Net fiscal impact is estimated at \$199,510] Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

Public Defender John Arrascada informed the Board funding for the two positions would be offset by a new conflict contract which would save the County \$100,000. He said they also implemented data storage through evidence.com which saved close to \$150,000 for the County. He stated the two positions were strongly needed

within the Family Court on account of the 250 monthly 250 hospitalizations it encountered. He noted lawyers were sometimes in hearings until 10:00 p.m. He said the addition of the Family Court lawyer would put their lawyers within the American Bar Association standards and allow them to accept more cases. Currently their lawyers had to declare unavailability at times due to their case load. He noted the increased availability would save the County money because they would not need to pay for a third-party provider.

Alternate Public Defender Marc Picker addressed concerns about a lack of good representation in the Family Courts, which incurred costs due to hearings and continued work by the Human Services Agency. He said the two new positions would allow both the Public Defender's Office and the Alternate Public Defender's Office to take on an additional 220 cases or more per year. He said the County would save money by adding the two positions because it would not require conflict counsel and cases would move along more quickly. He said they really appreciated the help from the County Manager's Office.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 16 be approved.

**18-0852**      **AGENDA ITEM 17** Recommendation to approve a FFY18 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant passed through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) awarding [\$150,000.00 (no County match required)], for a Continuity of Operations and Continuity of Government project; authorize food purchases for Planning and Training events; retroactive from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020; If approved authorize the County Manager or his designee to sign the grant award documents when received; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 17 be approved, authorized, and directed.

**18-0853**      **AGENDA ITEM 18** Recommendation to approve a direct grant award from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) FY18 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction (CEBR) Program, Project No 2018-DN-BX-0145 for [\$407,395.00, no county match required] for the DNA Backlog Reduction Program for the grant period of 01/01/2019 - 12/31/2020; and if approved, authorize Sheriff to execute grant award documentation, and direct Comptroller's Office to make necessary budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 18 be approved, directed, and authorized.

**18-0854**      **AGENDA ITEM 19** Recommendation to accept grant awards from the Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division for the following Older Americans Act Title III Programs: (1) Congregate Meals [\$274,560; match of \$48,457 from ad valorem tax] retroactive from September 30, 2018 through September 29, 2019 for Congregate Meals; and (2) Home Delivered Meals [\$837,771; match of \$112,989 from ad valorem tax] retroactive from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 for Home Delivered Meals; and direct the Comptroller to make necessary budget amendments. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 19 be accepted and directed.

**18-0855**      **AGENDA ITEM 20** Recommendation to approve a one-year sole source agreement in the amount of [\$1,585,000] with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregare and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 20 be approved.

**18-0856**      **AGENDA ITEM 21** Recommendation to accept a grant from the Fund to Assist Former Foster Youth (FAFFY), State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) in the amount of [\$185,000, no county match], to assist youth in making the transition from foster care to economic self-sufficiency, retroactive from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019; authorize the Department to execute the Sub-Grant Award and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 21 be accepted, authorized, and directed.

**18-0857**      **AGENDA ITEM 23** Discussion and update pertaining to the Board of County Commissioners Quarterly Dashboard Report. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

Assistant County Manager David Solaro spoke regarding the quarterly report for items brought forth by the Board from July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018. He noted the County Manager's Office received 43 distinct requests from the Board in addition to the 74 which were still ongoing. He said they were able to close 38 of the total requests, which left 82 active requests. He stated the report listed the requests by commission district, by Commissioner, and it included the three priorities for each item.

He mentioned the report provided information regarding Washoe311. He said it was one of the tools the Board had available for their constituents to ask questions and submit work orders. He stated requests submitted through 311 had risen steadily and they continually worked with constituents to close out the requests. He reported good feedback from constituents regarding the service.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

**18-0858**      **AGENDA ITEM 24** Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District per NRS 288.220.

County Manager John Slaughter stated a closed session was needed. He said they would adjourn to a closed session following the final agenda item.

**18-0859**      **AGENDA ITEM 25** Public Comment.

Ms. Tammy Holt-Still said she would like to see Commissioner Herman reinstated to some of the boards she served on before the election, specifically mentioning Flood Management and the Nevada Association of Counties. She stated residents wanted her to represent them.

Ms. Katherine Snedigar wondered why homes in Warm Springs were built below grade despite being located in a flood plain. She claimed the County allowed homes to be built against the guidelines set forth in the County Development Code. She expressed frustration about code enforcement on her property and stated she would not follow the Development Code unless she had a specific performance agreement with the County.

**18-0860**      **AGENDA ITEM 26** Announcements/Reports.

County Manager John Slaughter announced the State Board of Examiners approved the proposal for the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services (NNAMHS) campus. He congratulated all of the staff who worked on the proposal.

Commissioner Jung congratulated Human Services Agency staff and Human Services Director Amber Howell for the approval of the NNAMHS campus expansion. She spoke about the SoL dispensary's grand opening which she attended.

Commissioner Jung stated she attended a pipeline safety training and said she learned a lot about how much was being piped under the Truckee River including crude oil and gasoline. She wanted to make Sheriff Elect Darin Balaam aware and thought some dispatchers should attend the training. The training was free and would be offered any time there were enough attendees. She stated there was a National Pipeline Mapping System and wanted the Sheriff and the Fire Chief to have access to the system. She noted the response for an emergency involving a pipeline was different and wanted the Sheriff Elect, the Fire Chief, the County Manager, and the Emergency Management Manager to develop relationships with local pipeline operators.

Commissioner Jung said she wanted to have a discussion and agenda item regarding lobbyists. She stated she was not comfortable with federal lobbyists lobbying her on behalf of a private contractor. She wanted to know the best practices with regards to lobbyists and to re-explore the topic of federal lobbyists.

Commissioner Jung expressed frustration with the software in the Commissioner Chambers and wanted to know about the product warranty. She stated presentations requiring a timer needed to be timed by staff when the system timer did not work. She requested a presentation about how State, regional, and local road needs would be addressed during the building boom before additional development was approved. She asked whether traffic studies for new development requests could be performed by third parties. She requested an objective report from a source that would be held accountable for their findings.

Commissioner Jung asked for an updated report on sewer plants in the region, including Lemmon Valley and Sparks. She wanted a comprehensive report from subject matter experts.

Commissioner Herman said she became aware that monuments for veterans, wars, policeman, and firefighters had been removed in the recent past. She believed a County bill to protect memorials was necessary. She noted employment trades which were not part of unions also needed employees. She said she had multiple constituent reports about receiving mail for voters who did not live at those addresses. She said the Registrar of Voters' Office told those constituents that voters had to stay on the voter rolls for five years. She was concerned voters registered with different addresses voting from multiple places.

Commissioner Herman read an email correspondence from a constituent, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk, regarding his observance of possible voter fraud. The constituent indicated he attempted to submit a complaint form on the Registrar of Voters' website but he could not find an option to do so.

Commissioner Herman read an email correspondence from the Governor's Office, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk, regarding the end of her term on the Land Use Planning Advisory Council. She indicated she was interested in reappointment and noted she completed the steps outlined in the letter. She requested the Board discuss this at the November 27, 2018 meeting.

Chair Berkgigler said she was aware of Commissioner Herman's concern about being reappointed prior to the new governor taking office. She agreed to put the request from Commissioner Herman on the next agenda.

**1:47 p.m.** On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that the meeting recess to a closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with Employee Organizations per NRS 288.220.

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**2:20 p.m.** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned without objection.

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**MARSHA BERKBIGLER**, Chair  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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**NANCY PARENT**, County Clerk and  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

*Minutes Prepared by:  
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