

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

PRESENT:

Vaughn Hartung, Chair
Alexis Hill, Vice Chair
Bob Lucey, Commissioner
Kitty Jung, Commissioner
Jeanne Herman, Commissioner

Janis Galassini, County Clerk
Eric Brown, County Manager
Nathan Edwards, Assistant District Attorney

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:00 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, County Clerk Jan Galassini called roll and the Board conducted the following business:

Chair Hartung asked for a moment of silence for the victims following the 21st anniversary of September 11, 2001.

22-0683 **AGENDA ITEM 3** Appearance and presentation from Rachelle Pellissier (Executive Director), Crisis Support Services of Nevada (CSSNV), on CSSNV's role with the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

Executive Director of Crisis Support Services of Nevada Rachelle Pellissier conducted a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and the Behavioral Health Crisis System; CSSNV has been saving lives for more than 56 years; What Does CSSNV Do Now (3 slides); What is 988; Crisis Response System – National Guidelines; Establishment of the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline; American's Mental Crisis (2 slides); Nevada's Vision and Mission for Crisis Response; Crisis Response Project Overview; Project Considerations; 988 Data for Nevada; Contact Information.

Ms. Pellissier presented an overview of the CSSNV and its role as the crisis call center for the new 988 hotline launched nationwide in July 2022. She reported on the seriousness of mental health issues, not only in Nevada but nationwide, and explained how the response system for a behavioral health crisis differed from a physical health crisis. She said during a physical health crisis, emergency personnel responded immediately when 911 was dialed; however, with a behavioral health crisis, no immediate response for help was available. She believed this contributed to people in need taking their own lives through suicide. She stated the CSSNV was started in 1966 and was the only crisis support service

in Nevada, and one of only 12 national backup crisis call centers. She said a 24-hour volunteer-run suicide prevention hotline was established to address the high rate of suicide in Nevada before the 911 emergency number existed. She pointed out this was also during a time when there were no cell phones, only landlines, and some households did not even have a landline. She said it was clear early on that the need for services was great, so the program was expanded to include support for any type of crisis. She noted the CSSNV was the second longest-running crisis center nationwide. In addition to being a suicide crisis hotline, she advised the CSSNV also handled the following calls: all child abuse reports for the rural counties; elder and vulnerable adults abuse reports after hours for the Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD); after hours calls for all Nevada's Rural Behavioral Health Clinics; statewide Substance Abuse Helpline; after hours student calls for the University of Nevada, Reno, and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Clinical Services. She explained the CSSNV was able to deploy the Immediate Mental Health CARE Team (IMHCT) to callers in rural counties. The IMHCT deescalated callers to keep them safe, and then connected the callers to a clinician within 15 minutes. She discussed the Open Beds platform which enabled the CSSNV to get people to a provider during a crisis. She said the CSSNV also took after-hours calls for Washoe County 311. She noted many callers, especially during COVID-19 (C19), called during times of crisis. She reported that in 2021, the CSSNV took 87,000 calls and texts. The CSSNV started one of the first text message crisis intervention platforms in the nation. Advocates appeared in person at every report of sexual assault in Northern Nevada.

Ms. Pellissier described the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline as being one of the biggest behavioral health steps forward in the nation's history, likening it to a behavioral health version of 911. Callers were connected with a behavioral health crisis consultant to help deescalate, address immediate needs, and provide them with needed resources. This resulted in a reduction in both healthcare spending and the use of law enforcement. She said 988 was the first part of the Behavioral Health Crisis Response System and had helped end the stigma of mental healthcare. She outlined the national guidelines for the Crisis Response System. She informed that the Crisis Response Center could deescalate approximately 95 percent of calls and its goal was to not have to call emergency services unless the person was at imminent risk of hurting themselves or someone else. The mobile team consisted of a clinician and a peer who experienced a mental health crisis in the past and could relate to the person in need. The Crisis Response Center was in the process of building mobile teams in Nevada. The Crisis Stabilization Centers provided a place for people to go and get help from clinicians and doctors who were able to get a person to the next level of care needed.

Ms. Pellissier said the CSSNV was a national call center, which enabled it to plan at a national level. She stated the rationale for the 988 hotline was the 30 percent increase in suicides nationwide since 1999, with one in five people over the age of 12 having a mental health condition. She thought C19 had increased the number of people with mental health conditions. She believed the best prevention of suicide was getting help for people before they were in crisis. She believed a three-digit number was easier to remember. She said the 988 hotline put Nevada at the forefront of providing assistance for people with behavioral health crises. She discussed a recent visit from the U.S. Department

of Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra to the CSSNV office, which Vice Chair Alexis Hill attended. She explained Secretary Becerra visited the CSSNV office because Nevada was a leader in handling behavioral health crises.

Ms. Pellissier said the Washoe County health district was focused on the crisis response system and had planned funding for the issue. She believed it was important that the County built the best system possible, with many different organizations working together. She hoped to return to the Board to discuss the matter because Washoe County was leading the State in the planning and organization of behavioral health services. There were many things to consider as the planning proceeded, which included law enforcement, cultural aspects, and the compatibility of organizational systems.

Ms. Pellissier confirmed the official rollout of 988 was July 16, 2022, which resulted in an increase of calls by 45 percent that weekend. The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline was able to receive calls, texts, and chats. She opined the ideal answer rate of calls should be 100 percent; however, she believed funding was needed to get to that number. Although the State passed legislation to fund the initiative, there was bureaucracy that needed to be worked through for the money to be distributed. She believed it was important to increase the answer rate and times because a minute in a crisis made a difference. She noted there was no way to distinguish between the calls made to the 988 number and the calls made to the ten-digit number. She concluded her presentation with a breakdown of calls Statewide, with Clark County being 60 percent due to it having a larger population, Washoe County at 30 percent, and the rural counties at 10 percent.

Chair Hartung shared he recently discovered a friend's sister had taken her own life and had not reached out for resources. Ms. Pellissier said mental health was a subject not often spoken about, but she believed because of C19, more discussions were being held surrounding mental health, suicide, and prevention. She recommended family members and friends of a person in a crisis should use the 988 hotline to receive support, resources, and help for their loved one.

Vice Chair Hill thought the work the organization had done for decades was underappreciated. She congratulated Ms. Pellissier on the CSSNV program, acknowledging its accomplishments to date and the importance of the program for the community. Vice Chair Hill was proud to hear that Secretary Becerra was astounded by how much work Nevada had done regarding the issue. She acknowledged the Considerations and Challenges slide and said there was still work to be done. She was appreciative that Ms. Pellissier was involved and asked that she let the Board know what it could do to support the CSSNV. She informed the County moved the MOST team case workers, and she hoped to see positive results from that. She recalled Ms. Pellissier's comment during Secretary Becerra's visit that young people talked about 988 on TikTok, which gave Vice Chair Hill hope that young people were so open about their mental health crises.

Commissioner Jung thanked Ms. Pellissier for her commitment to the community and said she had always been a helper. Last week, Commissioner Jung

announced the 988 rollout to the Sun Valley Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) and noted that people were writing down the information. She said the Board, acting as the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) Board, was the first in the nation to start a data-driven trauma therapy for first responders. She believed this action brought about more forward-thinking mental health. She mentioned data would be collected and published in a peer-reviewed journal. She opined the TMFPD program was part of changing the culture of a false and toxic sense of masculinity. She said it was important for people to have the tools to help anybody in their life that was showing signs of a mental health crisis.

10:28 a.m. **The Board recessed.**

10:29 a.m. **The Board reconvened with all members present.**

22-0684 **AGENDA ITEM 5** Public Comment.

Mr. Rick Snow provided documents, copies of which were placed on file with the Clerk, showing photographs of properties he believed had illegal second residences. He read out each address he thought showed signs of occupancy including awnings, stairs, porches, chairs, water and power lines from a house to a trailer, and propane tanks in code violation. He opined people were living in all the trailers documented and he had reported this to the County three weeks ago. He said the County informed him it could not identify any occupants at the trailers, to which Mr. Snow strongly disagreed. He urged the County to find a better way to do its job.

Ms. Farrah Downey of JF Downey Realty Consulting and Advisory Services provided a document, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk. She stated her company developed the Emergency Eviction Prevention Program of Northern Nevada (EEPPNN) under contract with the Reno Housing Authority (RHA), and she reported on the success of the program to date. She explained that the EEPPNN helped individuals and families stay in their homes by resolving financial debt to the landlord while preserving the rental history of the tenant. The EEPPNN consultants had a substantial record of utilizing positive relationships with community partners and extensive knowledge of resources to obtain, retain, or sustain permanent housing, with sustainable housing being the goal. She advised while it was only the EEPPNN's second year working with the RHA, the program had been able to hire a bilingual intake specialist and a junior advisor. She reported EEPPNN consultants provided fast and successful resolutions for 370 cases during 2021; however, she noted for 2022 there was an influx of as many as 110 to 150 cases per month. She shared a recent incident where her office worked in conjunction with the Washoe County Patrol HOPE team.

Ms. Pam Roberts stated she had been a resident of Washoe County for more than three decades, and a resident of Palomino Valley for more than five years. She wanted to address Agenda Item 12 regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the general improvement district (GID) in Palomino Valley for road repairs. She reported one of the three roads, Broken Spur Road, was a major road for the rural valley with 1.4 miles

of asphalt and 1.5 miles of dirt road. She stated the road was used by more than 50 current homes and it was expected that at least twice that many additional homes could be built based on current zoning. She indicated the GID had a very limited budget to repair and maintain approximately 95 miles of roads in Palomino Valley. She noted the GID board members were elected but were essentially unpaid volunteers. She opined that the \$250,000 in proposed ARPA funding would significantly improve Broken Spur Road and Right Hand Canyon. She wanted to publicly acknowledge Trustee John Patterson for leading the grant effort and thank all five of the Trustees for their unpaid service. She hoped the grant would be approved.

Mr. Mark Neumann spoke about the proposed donation to parks and recreation in Sun Valley, noting it would be greatly appreciated. He addressed Agenda Item 20, the Highland Village Phase II project, stating Ken Krater provided a presentation to the community on Saturday. He observed though some citizens did not want additional development, most of the community supported the overall picture of the project because it was for housing and not apartments. He mentioned there were two main concerns raised by community members, the first being the issue of school zones. He strongly believed there should be a school zone with lights while school was in session. The second issue was that a four-way intersection was planned for the corner of Midnight Drive and Highland Ranch Parkway. He thought funds had been put aside for a future stoplight in that location. He suggested the County be proactive rather than reactive by implementing a school zone light and a stoplight now to prevent future accidents and fatalities.

Mr. Keith Dayton and his fiancée Ms. Wendy Donahue advised they purchased a home in the Red Rock area and were unaware of the issues in the neighborhood upon moving into the home on August 2. He said he received a call from a neighbor on August 4, while Ms. Donahue was in California and he was at work in Sparks, informing him that their house had flooded. He said neighbors advised him this was a common occurrence and because the ditches were insufficient, they had to sandbag each year. He shared that County employees had been out cleaning debris out of the ditches due to flooding, but he had been told he would not have any problems. There was torrential rain on August 4, and he thought the flooding was an isolated incident but was now aware it happened every year. He explained there was nowhere for the excess water to go; there was a lake at the end of Red Rock Road, but the water was diverted around it. He believed the County made changes five years ago, and before that, the neighborhood had not had any issues. He asked the County to investigate and resolve the matter. Chair Hartung requested the County Clerk obtain Mr. Dayton's contact information.

Mr. William T. Steward stated the Air Quality Index (AQI) for the day was not bad, noting although there was a fire in California blowing toward the County there were no fires close by. He pointed out fires continued to happen in Nevada and unless the region was prepared, fires would happen again. He recalled both the Caughlin Ranch and Washoe Valley fires occurred during the month of November and the Little Valley fire occurred in the month of October, noting the biggest fires came in the fall. He observed the winds would pick up and the fuels were already substantially drier than they had been historically. He noted the County was in a huge drought and everything was ready to burn.

He opined the County was not being proactive in educating the community about fire prevention and protection. He read excerpts from documents regarding regional fire service and defensible space. He opined homeowners in the County knew about defensible space, noting he did what he could to provide education through means such as homeowners association (HOA) meetings. He urged the Board to get the word out to residents about Firewise and Fire Adapted Communities. He informed he had free brochures, one about the Firewise program and the other was a publication from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) regarding standard fire protection.

Mr. Wayne Gordon said he had requested multiple times for the election system to be fixed. He said with only six weeks until the general election, he had hoped for improvements to be made to the voter rolls; however, he believed they were still incorrect. He gave an example of a friend who had moved from Nevada to Texas but was still listed as a registered voter in Washoe County. He expressed concern about election fraud if ballots continued to be mailed to former residents, requesting one final time for the County to clean up the voter rolls. He opined the Country was divided enough by people from both political parties declaring election fraud when the candidate they voted for did not win. He advised the only way to stop this was for the public to witness a legitimate process with updated voter rolls.

Ms. Janet Butcher informed the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of Constitution Day, which would occur on Saturday, September 17, 2022. She said not everyone recognized the date and was surprised it was not an agenda item or proclamation.

Mr. Nicholas St. Jon provided documents, copies of which were placed on file with the Clerk. His first document referenced Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 293.269931 and 293.26993 regarding mail-in ballot voting rules. He expressed concern about the deadlines for when mail-in ballots could be received, counted, and included in the final election results. He asked the BCC to stop the release of information relating to cast and count until midnight of the fourth day following the election. He stated the second document he submitted was a petition containing 327 signatures of support for all Washoe County voter drop boxes to be limited to official polling locations only. He wanted the BCC to enforce this and secure all drop boxes with locks and security guards. He referenced the documentary *2000 Mules*. He stated he had found 11,000 names of individuals on the voter rolls in District B for the school district who had not voted since before 2016. He questioned why they were still listed and requested the voter rolls be cleaned up.

County Clerk Jan Galassini stated she received an email from Ms. Elise Weatherly, which was placed on file.

22-0685 **AGENDA ITEM 4** Presentation and discussion by Gabrielle Enfield, Community Reinvestment Manager, regarding a status update for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) grant (\$91,587,038) awarded to Washoe County pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA). Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.)

Community Reinvestment Manager Gabrielle Enfield conducted a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: ARPA-SLFRF & Community Reinvestment Quarterly Update; Washoe County ARPA-SLFRF; Washoe ARPA Project Status Update; Project Status; Completed Projects; Annual and Quarterly Reporting; Dashboard; Community Reinvestment Grant Program; Community Reinvestment Division Update; Upcoming Priorities; Questions.

Ms. Enfield explained there were items on that day's meeting agenda which proposed to use ARPA funding, and those amounts were included in the dollar amount listed under remaining funds. There was an amendment for the mobile outreach vehicle command post that was originally approved by the Board last December. Funding for four new projects was on the agenda to be approved, which included the following: a multi-systemic therapy mental health program for youth in the juvenile justice system; a safe, supervised visitation program for the Family Peace Center through the Second Judicial District Court; an election translation and County website accessibility project; and a soft-serve ice cream machine for the Washoe County Senior Center. She mentioned two sub-grants for general improvement districts (GIDs) were being heard that day for recreational revitalization in Sun Valley and road restoration in Palomino Valley. She acknowledged her office was also working with the Incline Village and Gerlach GIDs to identify and prioritize projects. She indicated those projects would be brought to the Board in the future.

Ms. Enfield said the remaining \$27 million would be used to ensure all the current projects could be completed, as staff had discovered some projects were coming in at a higher cost than planned for. In addition to the ARPA funding for State and local fiscal recovery that was given to jurisdictions, Congress also gave a large amount of funding to federal agencies to increase discretionary grant money. This meant that federal agencies would give out money in competitive grant programs that required a match from the jurisdictions. She explained for many of those programs, the County was able to use ARPA funds for that match, and the remaining \$27 million would also be used for those costs. Staff would meet with County departments to identify future needs, in a way similar to what they did during the first round of funding. Future community initiatives would also be researched.

Ms. Enfield reminded that the first batch of projects was approved by the Board last December, and she anticipated a number of the projects that were more than 50 percent completed would be finished by the end of this December. She noted the nine projects that had not been started included seven projects on the agenda for that day. She opined the projects were moving along nicely. The outputs of the funding for the completed projects were identified in the presentation; however, she explained that in the future, updates to the Board would identify how the investments impacted the community.

The second annual report had been submitted to the U.S. Treasury Department, copies of which were available to the public on the County website. Ms. Enfield advised a new dashboard was created by Grants and Community Program Analyst Carissa Bradley. The dashboard was available on the County website, and it provided interactive data and status updates on the ARPA projects.

Commissioner Jung stated her constituents had recently expressed concern about issues in Sun Valley such as air quality, health, poor development standards, and the condition of some roads. She opined road conditions could result in preventing emergency personnel from reaching locations promptly and acknowledged this could also be an issue for other districts. She asked to see an overlay of the whole County with areas of concern identified and whether ARPA funding, through the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) or the health district, could be allocated to those communities. She opined members of the public were going to start demanding better for themselves from the County, and she thought the public infrastructure money should be used in these neighborhoods.

Vice Chair Hill praised the online dashboard as it showed the status of the ARPA projects in a transparent way. She proposed the County's ARPA funds be used to fund the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. She reminded of the findings of Mr. Brian Bonnenfant, Project Manager for the Center for Regional Studies at the University of Nevada, Reno, that showed 23 percent of working people in the community could not afford a one-bedroom or studio apartment. She expressed concern about a recession resulting in job losses and believed the issue of protecting working community members was a priority. She added it was a regional fund that would be shared with the Cities of Sparks and Reno, giving the County a great opportunity to be a regional partner.

Chair Hartung said he would be interested in having funds allocated to a program to help deter illegal dumping, possibly in partnership with Waste Management (WM). He believed it would have to be a two-part process that included clean-up and enforcement. There was a group of people who would go out with their own resources to pick up trash in the community, he explained. He opined some citizens could not afford to pay for removal or did not have the means to transport trash to the dump. He believed there were trash removal companies who received money from homeowners to dispose of trash but then dumped the trash in the desert. He said creating a program to assist communities could minimize the activity of illegal dumping. County Manager Eric Brown noted the County had partnered with WM on previous efforts to address the illegal dumping issue. Chair Hartung opined a program would be eligible for ARPA funds under the outdoor recreation and trails section. Manager Brown assured he would investigate the eligibility of ARPA funding for such a program. Vice Chair Hill agreed about the issue of illegal dumping and noted Assistant County Manager Kate Thomas was working on a green waste pilot project with WM. She suggested it could be expedited to address the problem. She believed the County needed to create incentives and more opportunities for people to get rid of green waste.

11:16 a.m. Assistant District Attorney Nathan Edwards left the meeting.

22-0686 **AGENDA ITEM 7** Recommendation to acknowledge receipt of the 40th consecutive annual Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for the County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Comptroller. (All Commission Districts.)

County Comptroller Cathy Hill stated it was the 40th consecutive year the Comptroller's office had received this recognition. She acknowledged the hard work and dedication of her staff and introduced those in attendance: Asta Dominguez Glidewell, Senior Accountant; Michelle Glodt-Mikoliczyk, Accountant II; Na Huang, Accountant II; Bob Andrews, Accounting Manager; Russell Morgan, Accounting Manager; Darlene Delany, Senior Accountant; Joyce Garrett, Accountant II; Susan O'Haro, Senior Accountant; Rebecca Mosher, Senior Accountant. She said her staff was the reason the County had accurate reporting.

Chair Hartung said he was proud of the staff for doing a phenomenal job.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7 be acknowledged.

PROCLAMATIONS

22-0687 **AGENDA ITEM 8** Proclaim September 18-24, 2022 as National Forensic Science Week in Washoe County.

Vice Chair Hill read the Proclamation and presented it to Steven Johnson, Interim Acting Director of the Forensic Science Division of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office. He introduced the members of his team in attendance: Laura Dickson, Supervising Criminalist; Tiffany Black, Office Support Specialist; Rachelle Woodard, Criminalist II; Jennifer Beckman-Salas, Laboratory Assistant; Savannah Bloomquist, Criminalist Trainee.

Chair Hartung thanked the team for its service and asked how many counties the Washoe County Forensic Science Division (WCFSD) served in California. Mr. Johnson replied the Division served only Mono County in California. Chair Hartung said he toured the forensics laboratory and thought the work done to uncover things was mind-boggling. He stated the WCFSD was integral in solving many crimes in the County and the State. He reported the forensics team served 15 of the 17 counties in Nevada.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 8 be adopted.

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

11:26 a.m. **Assistant District Attorney Nathan Edwards returned to the meeting.**

11:28 a.m. **The Board reconvened with all members present.**

22-0688 **AGENDA ITEM 6** Announcements/Reports.

County Manager Eric Brown shared that the County received a letter on September 1, 2022, from the Cannabis Compliance Commission (CCC) asking for clarification on Washoe County's position on licensing of cannabis consumption lounges. He noted this was partly due to some definitional changes in the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). The CCC requested a response by September 9, 2022, so his office sent a letter stating the County currently did not allow consumption lounges; however, the matter would be heard at the next Board of County Commissioners (BCC) meeting on September 20, 2022.

Manager Brown also reported the County lost ten early voting centers for the general election, which included nine Raley's locations. He said Raley's informed it was withholding all of its locations, which he opined could be problematic in the South Valleys where there was heavy voting activity at the library and Raley's. He said the County had worked to fill as many of those vacancies as possible; however, there would be fewer sites than in the primary election. He confirmed all the early vote centers and drop boxes were fully staffed, except the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, which had its own arrangements that the County was not in a position to enforce.

Commissioner Herman welcomed the comments by Manager Brown regarding the voting process, noting she thought the chain of command was questionable. She reported the Sun Valley Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) meeting was well attended on Saturday, stating there was a discussion with a developer's representative who she thought was very transparent and honest. She recalled a recent report about a resident who was storing junk and had since dug a trench across the road, causing disruption for neighbors and residents using the road. She asked Assistant District Attorney Nathan Edwards if this matter could be pursued legally. She expressed concern about the voter registration rolls containing the names of voters who were no longer citizens of the State of Nevada, and she hoped this would be updated before the general election. She distributed a publication to the Board, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk, and noted it was given to her by her constituents. The publication was titled, "An In-Depth Guide of Homelessness in Washoe County." She opined it was educational and encouraged everyone to read it.

Vice Chair Hill reported she attended the 2022 Great Reno Balloon Race over the weekend. She complimented the organizers on a successful event, which was free and open to the public. She opined it was important for leadership to support events such as these, noting Commissioner Lucey was also in attendance with his family. She said she recently attended the State of the City for the City of Sparks, noting Chair Hartung and Commissioner Jung were also in attendance. She stated it was exciting to see the progress made and pointed out the importance of the County supporting its regional partners.

Vice Chair Hill referenced Washoe County Codes 5.4504 and 5.447 which stated the offices of the Alternate Public Defender and the Public Defender must provide the BCC with annual progress reports. She wondered how these positions remained accountable to the BCC if they did not submit annual reports. She did not recall seeing

these reports during her time in office and requested the reports from 2021 and 2022. Chair Hartung indicated he had received reports before, but he did not recall if it was on a yearly basis.

Commissioner Lucey said the 2022 Great Reno Balloon Race was a beautiful legacy event for Northern Nevada. He reported there were many local supporters of this event including the County, the City of Reno, the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA), the Bonanza Casino, the Atlantis Casino, and the Peppermill Casino. It was because of these supporters that the event remained free to everyone. He recalled the organizers hardly ever cancelled the event and said it even continued during COVID-19. He thought it was particularly special being there on the anniversary of September 11 (9/11) and watching a remembrance flyover during the national anthem by pilots from the Reno Air Races who displayed the American flag. He thanked Great Reno Balloon Race Executive Director Pete Copeland and all the volunteers and departments of the County and the City of Reno for making it a successful event and ensuring public safety. He said he was especially appreciative of the County Parks Department for cleaning and maintaining one of the County's signature parks, Rancho San Rafael.

Commissioner Lucey shared he attended the Nevada Military Support Alliance Golf Tournament last Friday at LakeRidge Golf Course. He noted in addition to local veterans, Congressman Mark Amodei and Lieutenant Colonel Ondra Berry were also in attendance to show support for the cause. He said the organization supported families and survivors of fallen Nevada servicemen and women, including Nevada's active, guard, reserve, and veteran members. Referencing the Nevada Peer Support Alliance, a program created within the County to assist first responders and emergency personnel, Commissioner Lucey advised it now also served local veterans in need.

Commissioner Lucey raised the issue of youth sports being unable to practice outside due to wildfire smoke in the area. He reported the RSCVA helped by providing an inside space for practices, noting the importance of a government agency supporting the community. He wanted to bring attention to a recent conversation he had with a constituent who expressed concern about overcrowded flat fields, noting they were unable to meet community needs. Commissioner Lucey recommended the BCC and the County hold discussions with the flood project and the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA), to see if spaces could be identified and converted into flat fields.

Referring to the earlier public comment on drainage ditches, Commissioner Lucey noted a challenge of living in unincorporated areas was the lack of traditional services provided to a municipality. He encouraged the BCC to review, identify, and address issues to prevent future flooding.

Commissioner Lucey reminded the BCC to investigate safety concerns along the east Truckee River Canyon, particularly on Interstate 80 (I-80) and State Routes (SR) 341 and 431. He noted the Department of Public Safety would hold a motorcycle charette in October specifically to address SR 341. He recommended a partnership with Storey County to address these issues.

Commissioner Jung announced the opening of a new Community Health Alliance clinic in Sun Valley to aid residents without health insurance. She reported the facility was critical to the needs of the community members, many of whom previously relied upon emergency services for medical issues. By opening the clinic, the burden on the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) would be alleviated. She stated the clinic was in a business plaza which could encourage additional foot traffic to other businesses located nearby. She thanked the Dolan Foundation for providing funding for the clinic.

Commissioner Jung said she attended the State of the City for the City of Sparks and was impressed by the leadership of Mayor Lawson and his team. She was encouraged by the success of the City of Sparks and opined the region was pulling together to work as a team for its communities. She stated she was proud of the City of Sparks' accomplishments and the improvements it had made to its downtown area. In addition, she was inspired by one of the City's programs called Grass for Grass, where marijuana taxes were used specifically for flat fields at Golden Eagle Regional Park and Sports Complex. She challenged the BCC to look at ways a similar initiative could start in the County, which would show residents a tangible product using marijuana taxes.

Commissioner Jung reported that the United Parcel Service (UPS) wanted to fill 400 part-time positions for the upcoming holiday season starting that day. She stated UPS would interview candidates virtually, providing an answer about job eligibility within 25 minutes.

Commissioner Herman acknowledged the residents of Silver Knolls who spoke during public comment regarding their flooding issue and thanked Marc De La Torre in Commission Support for following up with them so quickly.

Commissioner Lucey asked Manager Brown to provide an update during the last BCC meeting of the month regarding the ongoing dispatch conversations between the County and stakeholders.

Commissioner Lucey congratulated Kathleen Taylor on her recent appointment to the Reno City Council. He wished her the best and said the Board looked forward to working with her. He also congratulated Neoma Jardon on her new position as the Executive Director for the Downtown Reno Partnership, praising her for her dedication and commitment to the downtown area.

Chair Hartung mentioned the wildfire smoke in the air and wanted to bring up the scheduled TMFPD green waste collections which were discussed during the last Board of Fire Commissioners meeting. Chair Hartung read the dates and locations of collections, stating the information could also be found on the TMFPD's website (TMFPD.us) at the bottom of the page by "News Room." Green waste collections would take place as follows: October 1 and 2 in Washoe Valley; October 9 at Geiger Grade (small loads only); October 15 and 16 in Lemmon Valley; October 15 and 16 at Silver Lake; October 22 in Palomino Valley; October 23 in Spanish Springs; November 5 in Mogul

(small loads only); November 5 in Rancho Haven; November 6 in Wadsworth; December 3 and 4 in Washoe Valley. He stressed the importance of defensible space, saying it was critical to preventing devastating wildfires in the region.

Chair Hartung reported that during the September 7, 2022, Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) meeting for his district, constituents raised the issue of stolen catalytic converters. He said the Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) had created a great program to mark catalytic converters; however, he believed the Board should work with the two municipalities on this issue. He acknowledged an ordinance would not pertain to the Cities of Reno and Sparks, but he thought one should be implemented to make it illegal to possess a catalytic converter without documentation proving ownership. He stated some auto dealerships did not want to purchase vehicles with marked catalytic converters and he believed an ordinance would be a proactive measure.

Chair Hartung expressed concern about the high volume of traffic traveling daily on Pyramid Highway. He shared that the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) attended his district's CAB meeting on September 7 and discussed this issue with constituents. He noted with development occurring in both the City of Sparks and Washoe County, traffic was being flooded to Pyramid Highway. He referenced a public comment made earlier about a traffic light on Highland Ranch Parkway and asked staff if this could be a condition for the developers. He believed there would be 17,000 trips per day coming out of that development. He said more planning and preparation were needed and requested assistance from Vice Chair Hill and Commissioner Jung on how to initiate this.

Referencing the lack of space for flat fields, Chair Hartung stated the Truckee River Flood Management Authority (TRFMA) would like to release more designated areas; however, some were still being used for the flood project. He raised the possibility of converting land just north of the river south of Mill Street, west of McCarran Boulevard, and east of Rock Boulevard.

Regarding the ditches in Silver Knolls, Chair Hartung asked Assistant County Manager Dave Solaro to work with the developers, Lifestyle Homes, on flood management. He believed the County had received acknowledgment from Lifestyle Homes that it would assist with site improvements throughout that subdivision. He also wanted to see what a regional stormwater utility would look like in the area.

Chair Hartung spoke about the State of the City for the City of Sparks, noting it was well attended. He agreed with Commissioner Jung that the City of Sparks had great vision.

Chair Hartung recalled being part of a Nevada lands transfer task force under former Governor Brian Sandoval, where discussions were held regarding 7,700 acres of checkerboard land. He observed many counties wanted to regain control of their land from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). He stated he and the other members of the Board at the time had disagreed. They believed managing thousands of square miles in Northern Nevada would prove difficult, especially during a wildfire, and taxpayers would

bear the financial burden. He noted Commissioner Lucey had worked tirelessly on the issue of the checkerboard land and had hit roadblocks. He urged that a process be put in place.

Chair Hartung offered his congratulations to Kathleen Taylor as the newest Reno City Councilmember and believed she was a great addition.

Chair Hartung reported that on September 9, 2022, the American Transplant Foundation celebrated a historic milestone of one million organ transplants. He shared that the U.S., Spain, and France, performed the most organ transplants per year. He thanked everyone who was an organ donor, including those who had made the difficult decision to donate the organs of family members. He remarked transplant organizations supported families, helping them navigate a difficult process. He acknowledged this subject was very personal for him and thanked his wife for her hard work getting their daughter on the transplant list.

Manager Brown corrected an earlier statement, saying all early voting drop box locations were fully staffed, including tribal organizations. Chair Hartung asked Manager Brown to follow up about third-party mailing firms to ensure lists were complete and accurate. Commissioner Lucey congratulated Interim Registrar of Voters Jamie Rodriguez for her hard work resolving many issues, adding he looked forward to the upcoming election under her guidance.

Chair Hartung asked Manager Brown to investigate whether a proclamation recognizing the importance of Constitution Day could be issued at the next BCC meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – 9A1 THROUGH 9I1

- 22-0689** **9A1** Recommendation to approve a Water Rights Exchange agreement between Washoe County, the City of Sparks, and First Tee of Northern Nevada as an intended beneficiary of the Agreement, for the continued delivery of 199.20 acre feet of effluent water from the City of Sparks to the Wildcreek Golf Course property (Assessor’s Parcel Number 027-011-12) in Sparks, Nevada for a 20-year term, and if approved, authorize Assistant County Manager, Dave Solaro, to execute the Agreement on behalf of Washoe County. Community Services. (Commission District 3.)
- 22-0690** **9B1** Recommendation to acknowledge the amended Federal 2021 Library Services and Technology Act American Rescue Plan Grant award of [\$2,599.00], no County match required, awarded to the Washoe County Law Library, Second Judicial District Court, from the Nevada State Library, Archives and Public Records retroactive from April 8, 2022 - November 30, 2022, and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments. District Court. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0691** **9B2** Recommendation to retroactively acknowledge the grant award from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to the

Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$359,952, (no match required) to support the Specialty Court programs, effective retroactively May 31, 2022 through May 30, 2023, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. District Court. (All Commission Districts.)

- 22-0692** **9C1** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$2,499.87; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education retroactive to July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0693** **9C2** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$16,149.42; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Fetal Infant Mortality Review retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0694** **9C3** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$26,793.17; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant retroactive to July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0695** **9C4** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$46,791.79; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Immunization Program retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0696** **9C5** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$90,000.00; no county match] in both revenue and expense to the FY23 American Rescue Plan Particulate Matter 2.5 (ARP PM2.5) Monitoring Network grant retroactive to August 1, 2022 through July 31, 2023 and direct the Comptroller's office to make the appropriate budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0697** **9D1** Recommendation to accept an amendment to the subgrant award from Zero to Three: National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families that increases the award amount by [\$10,176.00; no County match required]; retroactively authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the subaward amendment; and direct the Comptroller to make necessary budget amendments. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)

- 22-0698** **9E1** Recommendation of Assistant County Manager Kate Thomas as the Washoe County Commission’s nominee to be sent to the Governor for subsequent appointment to serve on the Board of Indigent Defense Services for a 3-year term beginning September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025. Manager’s Office. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0699** **9F1** Recommendation to Acknowledge Specialty Court General Fund Allocations from the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada to the Reno Justice Court for DUI Court in the amount of [\$20,250.00 for FY23, no match required]. The program focuses on 2nd DUI Convictions. Allocation will be paid in quarterly installments retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; and direct the Comptroller to make the appropriate budget amendments. Reno Justice Court. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0700** **9F2** Recommendation to Acknowledge Community Court Program Allocation from the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada to the Reno Justice Court for Community Court Program in the amount of [\$99,764.00 for FY23, no match required]. The program, also known as young offenders’ court, focuses on defendants ages 18-25. Allocation will be paid in quarterly installments retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; and direct the Comptroller to make the appropriate budget amendments. Reno Justice Court. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0701** **9F3** Recommendation to Acknowledge Court Assistance Program Allocation from the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada to the Reno Justice Court for Court Assistance Program in the amount of [\$125,355.00 for FY23, no match required]. The program focuses on adults with drug, alcohol, and mental health issues by aiding participants with numerous services such as counseling, evaluations and incentives. The allocation is paid in quarterly installments retroactively July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; and direct the Comptroller to make the appropriate budget amendments. Reno Justice Court. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0702** **9G1** Recommendation to approve the Law Enforcement Funding Agreement between the Sparks Police Department (SPD) and Washoe County, on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff’s Office to provide reimbursement for extra staffing/patrol services [up to \$15,000.00 estimated total reimbursement] needed in the Sparks, Nevada area during the annual Best in the West Rib Cook-off for 2022. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 22-0703** **9H1** Recommendation to accept Treasurer’s status report for the period ending August 31, 2022, of payment of refunds and interest since last update in the amount of \$1,389,585.33 on certain property tax overpayments for residential properties at Incline Village/Crystal Bay, in compliance with the

October 21, 2019 Order issued by the District Court in Village League to Save Incline Assets, Inc., et.al. vs. State of Nevada, et.al., Case No. CV03-06922, as modified and clarified by the settlement agreement regarding the processing of refunds. Treasurer. (All Commission Districts.)

22-0704 **9H2** Recommendation to approve removal of Deed Restrictions limiting use to open space from APNs 010--590--01 and 02, 010--591--01 and 02, 010--592--01 to 06, 010--593--01 to 06, 010--594--01 to 06, 010--595--01 to 06, 010--601--01 to 06, 010--602--01 to 04, 010--603--01 to -04 and 010--604--01 (hereinafter the “0 Riverside” parcels), located to the north of the Truckee River and west of the terminus of Riverside Drive, commonly known as 0 Riverside Drive, in exchange for the payment of back taxes owed by the City of Reno, pursuant to NRS 361.603. Treasurer. (All Commission Districts.)

22-0705 **9I1** Recommendation to accept Registrar of Voters’ report of the Early Voting locations and schedule for the 2022 General Election per NRS 293.3561(2b). Registrar of Voters. (All Commission Districts.)

On the call for public comment, Ms. Darla Lee said she supported Item 9A1 to approve a water rights exchange agreement between Washoe County, the City of Sparks, and First Tee of Northern Nevada (FTNN). She said the agreement would renew the original 25-year agreement to provide effluent water to the Wild Creek Golf Course without a cost burden, which would be a benefit to the community and the operating cost of the FTNN. She reminded that a few years ago she was part of a group that protested the sale of half of Wild Creek Golf Course to the Washoe County School District. She explained that fortunately, the FTNN would eventually be made the owner. She was told a deed would be recorded soon for what remained of the golf course. She said the FTNN’s goal was to teach students the game of golf, as well as moral principles. She believed those principles were much needed by youth.

Chair Hartung praised the efforts of Assistant County Manager Dave Solaro and his team for the work done on Item 9A1. He said the effluent management team worked hard to get golf courses off of potable drinking water to effluent water. He said it was an amazing use of the resource and believed it would help the community. He stressed the importance of long-term leases.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Herman, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Consent Agenda Items 9A1 through 9I1 be approved. Any and all Resolutions or Interlocal Agreements pertinent to Consent Agenda Items 9A1 through 9I1 are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

BLOCK VOTE – 10 THROUGH 19

22-0706 **AGENDA ITEM 10** Recommendation to accept a Nevada Department of Wildlife Shooting Range Grant [in the amount of \$407,169.00 with Washoe County as subgrantee with a cash/in-kind match in the amount of \$45,241.00] and approve the Notice of Subgrant Award #SG23-06 with a grant period from final execution through June 30, 2023; and authorize the Assistant County Manager [Dave Solaro] to sign the Notice of Subgrant Award #SG23-06 and any subsequent documents related to the grant on behalf of the County; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Community Services. (Commission District 5.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 10 be accepted, approved, authorized, and directed.

22-0707 **AGENDA ITEM 11** Recommendation to authorize MWH Constructors and KG Walters Construction (MWH&KGW), a joint venture, as the Construction-Manager-At-Risk (CMAR), and approve Guaranteed Maximum Price Agreement (GMP) 4A, to construct Headworks Grit Removal and New Blower Building, which are a part of the South Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility 2020 Expansion Project, in the amount of [\$13,375,876.00]. Community Services. (Commission District 2.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 11 be authorized and approved.

22-0708 **AGENDA ITEM 12** Recommendation to approve allocations of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) for the following projects:

A. Recommendation to approve amended allocations of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) for the following project:

1. Northern Nevada Public Health - Washoe County Health District - Mobile Outreach Vehicle Command Post - Project #22, in a total amount of

\$575,498 (an increase of \$85,498 over the \$490,000 allocated and approved by the Board on December 14, 2021). This project provides for a mobile outreach vehicle/command post that will increase the Washoe County Health District's ability to provide medical services and mass vaccinate through targeted outreach.

B. Recommendation to approve allocation of ARPA funds through the SLFRF funds for the following projects:

1. Juvenile Services - Multisystemic Therapy (MST) Pilot Program for high-risk juvenile justice involved youth - Project #34, in a total amount of \$661,924. This project will provide intensive, community-based treatment for moderate and high-risk juvenile offenders in lieu of placement in intermediate behavioral modification or residential substance abuse programs. This project includes two full-time mental health counselor positions for 24 months.

2. Second Judicial District Court - Family Peace Center - Project #35, in a total amount of \$480,281. The Family Peace Center provides access to supervised visitation and exchange services for families dealing with court matters at the Second Judicial District Court.

3. Office of the County Manager - Elections Translation and County Website Accessibility - Project #36, in the amount of \$300,000. This project will support Spanish language translation services for the upcoming general election on the Washoe County election webpages and a support a preliminary Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility assessment of the Washoe County website.

4. Human Services Agency, Senior Services - Soft Serve Machine - Project #37, in the amount of \$15,000. This project will support the purchase of a soft serve ice cream machine to encourage participation in social activities by Washoe County seniors.

C. Recommendation, in accordance with NRS 244.1505, to approve subgrant agreements of ARPA funds through the SLFRF for the following projects:

1. Sun Valley General Improvement District - Recreation Revitalization - Project #38, in the amount of \$250,000 with a performance period of November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023, and approve Resolution 22-101. This project would rehabilitate playground equipment at the Sun Valley Community Park, resurface a park basketball court, and finance a water conservation and energy consultation at four parks; and

2. Palomino Valley General Improvement District - Road Restoration - Project #39, in the amount of \$250,000 with a retroactive performance period from September 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023, and approve Resolution 22-102. This project would support three road repair and maintenance projects in Palomino Valley. And, if approved, direction to the Comptroller's Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and cross-functional budget appropriation transfers as well as authorization to Human Resources, per Job Evaluation Committee (JEC) evaluation as applicable, to create necessary positions.

The proposed projects fall within the American Rescue Plan Act (and the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund) eligible uses, include a proposed implementation process, and come with extensive compliance and reporting requirements. Final allocations may vary from those proposed based on information developed during this item. Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be approved, directed, and authorized.

22-0709 **AGENDA ITEM 13** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$246,669.96; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Underground Storage Tank Inspections Program retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 13 be approved and directed.

22-0710 **AGENDA ITEM 14** Recommendation to approve budget amendments totaling an increase of [\$456,864.77; no county match] in both revenues and expenditures to Immunization Program retroactive to July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 14 be approved and directed.

22-0711 **AGENDA ITEM 15** Recommendation to award Washoe County Bid No. 3178-22 for the purchase of one (1) mobile command center and health services vehicle to the lowest responsive responsible bidder, LDV Inc., 180 Industrial Drive, Burlington, WI 53105, on behalf of the Washoe County Health District for \$575,498.00. Health District. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 15 be awarded.

22-0712 **AGENDA ITEM 16** Recommendation to approve the CY 2023 Health Benefits Program for employees, retirees, and their dependents at an approximate annual cost of \$60.9 million, and authorize the Director of Human Resources to execute all insurance contracts and service agreements pertinent to the Health Benefits Program. Human Resources. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 16 be approved and authorized.

22-0713 **AGENDA ITEM 17** Recommendation to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 renewal of the Aumentum Technologies/Manatron contract, in the amount of [\$316,983] retroactive to July 1, 2022, for the Treasurer's Tax System software maintenance agreement. Technology Services. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 17 be approved.

22-0714 **AGENDA ITEM 18** Recommendation to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Master Services Agreement between Washoe County and Vonage Business, Inc. for the sole source purchase of Unified Communications as a Service, not to exceed [\$375,000]. The County is entering the second year of a 5-year agreement with Vonage. Technology Services. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 18 be approved.

22-0715 **AGENDA ITEM 19** Recommendation to approve the acceptance of the Secretary of State's budget appropriation to Washoe County in the amount of [\$323,935.00] to reimburse the county for voting equipment licensing and support fees for fiscal year 2022 and 2023. The FY 2022 amount is [\$161,967.00]. The amount to be received for FY 2023 will be [\$161,968.00]. No match required. The award period is retroactive from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. If approved, direct the Comptroller's Office to 1. reimburse the General Fund through transfer for the FY 2022 expense of [\$161,967.00], and 2. to make the necessary budget amendments. Registrar of Voters. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 19 be approved and directed.

Chair Hartung announced there would be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Veterans Memorial Plaza at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 4, 2022. He explained the mission of the plaza was to honor and preserve the legacy of fallen Nevada service members since 1864.

22-0716 **AGENDA ITEM 20** Public Hearing: Second reading and adoption of an ordinance pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 278.0201 through 278.0207 adopting a development agreement between Washoe County and LC Highland 2, LLC for Highland Village II, which limits the gross density to 4.5 dwelling units per acre for the ±18.3-acre project area (APNs 508-020-04, -42 & -44) for a maximum of 82 total dwelling units. Authorize the Chair to execute the final Development Agreement. This item is a companion item to the Board's August 16, 2022 approval of WMPA21-0008 & WRZA21-0005, which approved an application to amend the Washoe County Master Plan, Sun Valley Area Plan Appendix C- Maps, to reconfigure the boundaries of the Suburban Residential and Rural master plan designations; and which approved an application to amend the Sun Valley Regulatory Zone Map to change the regulatory zone on the above 3 parcels from 16.706 acres of Low Density Suburban (LDS- 1 dwelling unit per acre) and 1.676 acres of General Rural (GR- 1 dwelling unit per 40 acres) to 14.702 acres of High Density Suburban (HDS- 7 dwelling units per acre) and 3.68 acres of GR, and reconfigure the boundaries of the HDS and GR zones. Community Services. (Commission District 5.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said ordinance. He reminded that the Board heard a presentation on the matter a month prior. There being no response, the hearing was closed.

County Clerk Jan Galassini, read the title for Ordinance No. 1691, Bill No. 1881.

On motion by Commissioner Herman, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Ordinance No. 1691, Bill No. 1881, be adopted, approved, and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

22-0717 **AGENDA ITEM 21** Public Hearing: Second reading and possible adoption of an ordinance amending Washoe County Code Chapter 55 (Animals and Fowl) by repealing a section duplicative of state law related to harboring a vicious dog; by adding a section making it unlawful to fail to quarantine or surrender for quarantine biting animals or animals that have been in close contact with an animal suspected or known to have rabies; by adding a section governing euthanasia of vicious dogs; by amending provisions related to: the definitions of “dangerous” dog, “vicious” dog, “animal”, “substantial bodily harm” and “provocation”; the dangerous and vicious dog determination process; exemptions under which a dog may not be found dangerous or vicious; the requirements for dangerous and vicious dog registration; the requirements for relocating or transferring ownership of a dangerous or vicious dog; unlawful acts by the owner or keeper of a dangerous or vicious dog; impoundment of a dog, both before and after a dangerous or vicious dog determination; and by updating a section governing the criminal and civil penalties for a violation of chapter 55; and all other matters necessarily connected therewith and pertaining hereto. Regional Animal Services. (All Commission Districts.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said ordinance. There being no response, the hearing was closed.

County Clerk Jan Galassini, read the title for Ordinance No. 1692, Bill No. 1882.

On motion by Vice Chair Hill, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried on a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Herman voting no, it was ordered that Ordinance No. 1692, Bill No. 1882, be adopted, approved, and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

22-0718 **AGENDA ITEM 22** Public Comment.

On the call for public comment, Mr. Nicholas St. Jon was not present when called to speak.

22-0719 **AGENDA ITEM 23** Announcements/Reports.

Chair Hartung observed the announcements and reports were read into the record incorrectly as Item 29 and stated the correct Agenda Item number was 23.

County Manager Eric Brown informed the Board he would not be present at the next meeting, as he would be attending the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) conference in Columbus, Ohio, and would return the following Wednesday. Chair Hartung said the ICMA conference was a great time for people to get together and learn from each other.

Commissioner Lucey reminded the Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) Annual Conference would be held in Virginia City at the end of the month. He hoped the Board and the staff could attend and participate in the educational sessions. Chair Hartung noted Chair Lucey was the president of that association and he looked forward to the president’s reception.

Chair Hartung reminded that the grand opening and ribbon-cutting event for the Nevada Veterans Memorial Plaza (NVMP) would be held on Friday, November 4, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. on the west side of the Sparks Marina. The mission of the NVMP was to preserve and honor the legacy of fallen Nevada servicemembers. As a board member of the NVMP, he encouraged everyone to attend the event. He noted former Sparks Mayor Ron Smith and Sparks City Councilmember Kristopher Dahir started the NVMP project.

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12:29 p.m. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned without objection.

VAUGHN HARTUNG, Chair
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

JANIS GALASSINI, County Clerk and
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

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