

**RESOLUTION FOR A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS-GREENSPUN COLLEGE OF URBAN AFFAIRS
AND CITY OF LAS VEGAS
TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FRAMEWORK**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the city of Las Vegas ("City") has developed a solid policy foundation for building a sustainable and resilient community by adopting the Climate protection and Green Building Resolutions in 2006, the Sustainable Energy Strategy in 2008, and the Community Resilience and Net Zero Energy Resolution in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City has invested more than \$70 million in renewable energy and energy efficiency, water conservation, recycling, and alternative transportation projects;

WHEREAS, investments in environmental sustainability have reduced the annual cost of electricity by \$6 million, increased recycling rates to over 50% of the total waste stream, and reduced water consumption by 125 million gallons annually; and

WHEREAS, the City has reached its goal of 100% renewable electricity and reduced greenhouse gas emissions 90% below 1990 levels; and

WHEREAS, the City is developing a new master plan that considers infrastructure, economic development, public service provision, and community quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas ("UNLV") is classified R-1 as a very high research institute by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, UNLV's Greenspun College of Urban Affairs has 2,800 students in three doctoral and fifteen master's academic programs, including Criminal Justice, Communication Studies, Journalism and Media Studies, Social Work, and Public Policy and Leadership; and

WHEREAS, the City and UNLV Greenspun College of Urban Affairs mutually agree that previous, current, and future man-made and environmentally caused shocks and stresses to Las Vegas, including but not limited to terrorism, drought, economic recession, or hazardous materials accidents, may have far-reaching impacts to the community, the regional economy, and infrastructure, demonstrating the need for greater resilience in the city and its ability to recover and function; and

WHEREAS, by engaging in a local government-higher education partnership, Las Vegas can study shocks and stresses that could impact the entire community and collaborate with other community stakeholders that will result in the dissemination of critical information to guide urban management and policy decisions; and

WHEREAS, a collaborative effort between the City and UNLV Greenspun College of Urban Affairs can leverage resources and relationships to build community leadership and develop a framework that places Las Vegas and southern Nevada on a path to becoming a sustainable and resilient city for generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA AS FOLLOWS:

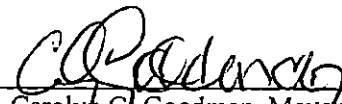
1. The City and University of Nevada, Las Vegas Greenspun College of Urban Affairs will work collaboratively with each other and community stakeholders to develop and implement a community resilience framework.

1 2. The City will develop the position of Chief Resilience Officer ("CRO") to inform the Mayor
2 and City Council, the City Manager, the Office of Sustainability, the departments of the City, and the
3 Dean of the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The CRO
4 will review the City's shocks, stresses, and capacities, consider current planning and economic
5 development strategies, gain perspectives from public, private, and non-profit sectors, and identify
6 actionable initiatives to address resilience issues.

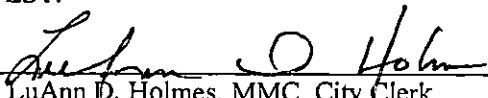
7 3. UNLV will lend research and academic support from institutional experts to support the CRO
8 in making any resilience and sustainability findings and recommendations for consideration in
9 accordance with implementing agreements.

10 PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 3rd day of April, 2019.

11 CITY OF LAS VEGAS

12 By: 
13 Carolyn G. Goodman, Mayor

14 ATTEST:

15 By: 
16 LuAnn D. Holmes, MMC, City Clerk

17 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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19 John S. Ridilla Date
20 Chief Deputy City Attorney
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