

Carolyn G. Goodman, Mayor (At-Large)  
Brian Knudsen, Mayor Pro Tem (Ward 1)  
Victoria Seaman (Ward 2)  
Olivia Díaz (Ward 3)  
Francis Allen-Palenske (Ward 4)  
Cedric Crear (Ward 5)  
Nancy E. Brune (Ward 6)



City Manager Jorge Cervantes  
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## City Council Minutes

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March 1, 2023  
9:00 AM

### CEREMONIAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

PRESENT: MAYOR GOODMAN and COUNCILMEMBERS CREAR, KNUDSEN, SEAMAN, DIAZ, ALLEN-PALENSKE, and BRUNE

ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER JORGE CERVANTES, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY JEFF DOROCAK, DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY JIM LEWIS, and CITY CLERK LUANN D. HOLMES

2. Announcement Regarding: Compliance with Open Meeting Law

Minutes:

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE: This meeting has been properly noticed and posted at the following locations in accordance with the noticing standards as outlined in NRS 241.020: City Hall, 495 South Main Street, 1st Floor; The City of Las Vegas website – [www.lasvegasnevada.gov](http://www.lasvegasnevada.gov); and The Nevada Public Notice website – [notice.nv.gov](http://notice.nv.gov).

3. Invocation - Reverend Carol Simpson, Shekinah Glory Ministries

Minutes:

REVEREND CAROL SIMPSON, Shekinah Glory Ministries, gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Recognition of the Citizen of the Month

Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ recognized MERIDETH SPRIGGS as the March Citizen of the Month. MS. SPRIGGS is an amazing Ward 3 resident that has made it her life mission to empower houseless neighbors. Many caring individuals are working hard, not only to identify solutions to help house individuals, but to also address physical, mental, and emotional needs of residents experiencing homelessness. The Councilwoman said Las Vegas is lucky to have MS. SPRIGGS as a leader, and she is inspired by her story. She attended seminary school and obtained her master's degree, but she was forced to sleep in her car after losing her job in

2008. This experience gave her firsthand knowledge on how to tend to the needs of the hundreds that need help, love, and support. She has impacted these individuals since 2010 when she founded her non-profit, Caridad, which means charity in Spanish. As the organization's Chief Kindness Officer, MS. SPRIGGS approaches her work with compassion, humanity, and generosity. Under her guidance in 2015, she led efforts in Southern Nevada for the Built for Zero program and was a dedicated leader as she helped combat and put an end to veterans homelessness. In 2019, MS. SPRIGGS began Caridad Gardens, a job reintegration program for formerly homeless veterans that uses gardening and holistic programming in an effort to restore the individual back into the community. The garden then supplies the fresh herbs to downtown bars and taverns. In 2020, Caridad partnered with the dT-Alley Coalition in providing jobs to keep the alley between Fremont Street and Carson Street clean. Most recently in 2022, Caridad took over and began operations of Hebron, a 125-unit housing property on Las Vegas Boulevard. MS. SPRIGGS and her work with Caridad has been featured on the American Heroes Channel and by People magazine as one of the three finalists for the Red Bandanna Hero award. The Councilwoman presented a certificate for Citizen of the Month as well as an award to MS. SPRIGGS. A copy of the certificate and a slide announcing MS. SPRIGGS as the Citizen of the Month were submitted and attached as backup.

MS. SPRIGGS said she has thought about ending her life twice due to financial troubles with her non-profit, but a friend encouraged her to keep going. Her team can now meet someone on the street, put them to work, and get them housing. Moreover, thanks to her wonderful downtown partners, those individuals can have full-time employment and the ability to pay for their own apartment within 30 days. She accepted the award on behalf of her team and partners, and she thanked the City of Las Vegas and COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ for their continued support.

#### 6. Recognition of The Garden Foundation

##### Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE said prior to her time as a Councilwoman, she ran the Guinn Center, the state's only bipartisan policy institute. While she was there, she wrote several hundred page reports on outcomes for individuals with intellectual disabilities in Nevada. As one might suspect, the outcomes are not great, in that poverty and unemployment rates are higher. For individuals with intellectual disabilities who want to work, there are four types of service outcomes: community-based, facility-based, non-work, and integrated employment. In Nevada, only 17 percent of individuals with intellectual disabilities have integrated employment outcomes. In her quest to raise awareness about improving integrated employment outcomes, she came across TAYLOR GARDNER CHANEY, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of The Garden Foundation. She invited MS. GARDNER CHANEY to the podium, and described her as a driven, passionate and progressive entrepreneur with multi-faceted businesses and one common mission: to support and enhance the lives of people with disabilities and make our community a more inclusive place. Inspired by her little sister who was born with Down Syndrome and the lack of resources and opportunities available, MS. GARDNER CHANEY has dedicated her life to filling these gaps. The Garden Foundation is a non-profit organization whose goal is to support and enhance the lives of people with disabilities by providing a place of education, inspiration, independence, and inclusion. She has not only created a thriving organization, but has also become a State provider and successfully raised thousands of dollars in additional funding. They believe in and practice person-centered planning and provide a customized experience to meet the needs of each client and their families by offering daily classes, internship programs, vocational training, and a national online platform for individuals with disabilities. Most recently, they launched a social enterprise coffee shop, Dig it! Coffee, where they provide training and competitive-wage job opportunities for individuals with different abilities. MS. GARDNER CHANEY proudly serves on the Nevada Governor's Council for Developmental Disabilities and has been recognized by the National Association of Women Business Owners in Southern Nevada as a woman of distinction. She also sits on advisory boards for Touro University and Pima Medical Institute. She continues to change the scope of those with disabilities and their families by empowering people to reach their full potential and creating opportunities for a more inclusive community. A short video was shown about The Garden Foundation's mission. COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE proclaimed March 1st as The Garden Foundation Day and read from a proclamation, a copy of which was submitted and attached as backup.

MS. GARDNER CHANEY thanked COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE, who has been an advocate even prior to her time as a Councilmember. It means so much that the Councilwoman keeps the disability community at the top of her mind, and MS. GARDNER CHANEY expressed her gratitude. She was overwhelmed by the recognition, and she related to the statistics that were given by the Councilwoman earlier in the presentation. She wants to

continue fighting for these incredible individuals to find their purpose and be paid equal wages. She turned the mic over to JENNIFER SAMUEL whose son, COLLIN, has been with The Garden Foundation for a long time. MS. SAMUEL said as a parent of a child with special needs, The Garden Foundation has been a dream come true. Her son is being treated with compassion and integrity, and he has been developing life, vocational, and social skills. Having this inclusive environment has been life changing for him and their family, and she was very proud of MS. GARDNER CHANEY.

MS. GARDNER CHANEY introduced TAYLOR, who has been with The Garden Foundation for a few years and works as an assistant barista at Dig it! Coffee. With assistance from one of their program managers, McKENZIE, TAYLOR said her favorite part of The Garden Foundation is interacting with people, and she has learned how to be independent. Her favorite part of working at Dig it! Coffee is serving people, and she wanted people to know that she is a friendly person. MS. GARDNER CHANEY also introduced ALLISON, another assistant barista, and said this opportunity allowed her to pay for her own Christmas gifts this past year.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS - 9:30 A.M. SESSION**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

7. Public comment during this portion of the Agenda must be limited to matters on the Agenda for action. If you wish to be heard, come to the podium and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited.

#### Minutes:

DANIEL BRAISTED wondered what a final assessment meant as it relates to Item 26, and ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY JEFF DOROCAK said that is for a Special Improvement District, and there is a list of properties that will be assessed with the amount for the project. Speaking to Item 34, MR. BRAISTED said he heard a disturbing comment about the number of people being killed by a certain breed of dog. These people should carry insurance. The Mayor informed him that Item 34 would be heard at a later meeting.

AARON IBARRA, Southern Nevada Building Trades, was present to comment on Item 15 and he asked everyone in the audience who was with a construction trade to stand. He thanked the City for investing in major construction projects in Las Vegas, but he encouraged the Council to hire locally. The Mayor thanked them all for everything they have done to serve the city.

DANIEL LINCOLN, International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, spoke to Item 15 and said while Core Construction has built good relationships with his contractors, they should also understand the value of the skilled and trained workforce they provide to make sure the projects are completed under budget and on time. He urged the Council to consider putting agreements in place for projects of this magnitude that ensure the work is performed by skilled and trained local workers. The Mayor said the City is always working with labor agreements.

RONNY YOUNG, IBW Local 357, echoed the comments made for Item 15. He added that he would hate to see a missed opportunity to invest in the community but also for future generations of tradesmen.

Speaking to Item 15, JIMMY SCHWARZ, Iron Workers Local 433, thanked the Council for investing in major construction for the benefit of the residents, but he also urged the Council to invest in the best skilled and trained men and women Las Vegas has to offer.

MARGARET COLEMAN said she was present at the last Council meeting to seek help with getting inside. It is freezing outside and she has not been given any assistance. The Mayor informed her that Public Comment was for agenda items only, but she pointed out that CHIEF COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER DR. LISA MORRIS HIBBLER was nearby to assist.

BOB HORTON, Iron Workers Local 433, said their training facilities are second to none in the nation and they produce the finest craftsmen. For too long, people have come from out of town to perform work instead of those who live here and pay taxes. He said local workers will take much greater pride in the work they produce rather than somebody from out of town.

LOU DE SALVIO, Nevada Foundation for Fair Contracting, wanted to make sure Item 15 was in compliance

with NRS (Nevada Revised Statutes) and NAC (Nevada Administrative Code) 338 because of the contract amount.

SAVANNAH PALMIRA, Local Union 159, asked the Council to consider everything that has been said about Item 15. She hoped that the next time there is a project this large the Council will have faith and trust in the skilled and trained workforce and bring more women in front of them.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS - 9:30 A.M. Session**

8. For Possible Action - Any items from the 9:30 a.m. session that the Council, staff and/or the applicant wish to be stricken, tabled, withdrawn or held in abeyance to a future meeting may be brought forward and acted upon at this time.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

9. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the February 1, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and have been recommended for approval by the Submitting Departments. All items on the Consent Agenda may be approved in a single motion. However, if a Council Member so requests, any consent item may be moved to the discussion portion of the agenda and other action, including postponement or denial of the item, may take place.**

### **CITY ATTORNEY - CONSENT**

10. For possible action to approve settlement of Marian Blue for Estate of Stephen Burrell, et al. v. City of Las Vegas, et al., Case No. 2:21-cv-00372-RFB-DJA in the United States District Court (\$750,000 - Liability Insurance and Property Damage Fund)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

11. For possible action to approve the Subdivision Participation Form (Exhibit K), in accordance with the One Nevada Agreement on Allocation of Opioid Recoveries, for participation in a settlement with Walmart - All Wards

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

## **FINANCE - CONSENT**

12. For possible action to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) Apportionment Plan, which includes shared costs between the City of Las Vegas and Clark County for the LVMPD's 2023-24 budget, in accordance with NRS 280.190(c) - All Wards

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

## **FINANCE - PURCHASING AND CONTRACTS - CONSENT**

13. For possible action to approve award of Contract No. 23.MWA949-SK, Prime Design Services for DPS Detention Center Unit 5 & 6 Restroom Addition, located at 3300 Stewart Avenue - Department of Public Works - Award recommended to: APTUS, INC. (Not-to-Exceed \$106,600 - City Facilities Capital Projects Fund) - Ward 3 (Diaz)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

14. For possible action to approve award of Contract No. 230130-DG, Blanket Services for Hydraulics and Irrigation Design Services - Department of Public Works - Award recommended to: AQUA ENGINEERING, INC. (Not-to-Exceed \$75,000 Annually/Total Contract Amount Not-to-Exceed \$375,000 - Various Funds) - All Wards

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

15. For possible action to approve award of Contract No. 22.MWA378.C2-JH Construction Manager at Risk Agreement for Downtown Civic Center Buildings and Plaza, located on the City block bounded by Bonneville Avenue, Main Street, Clark Avenue and 1st Street - Department of Public Works - Award recommended to: CORE WEST, INC. (\$165,000,000 - City Facilities Capital Projects Fund) - Ward 3 (Diaz)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

Minutes:

See Item 7 for related discussion.

## **OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS - CONSENT**

16. For possible action to approve the ratification of Brian Hubbell in a Council support position as a Special Assistant to Council in the Ward 2 office (\$62,485.51 + Benefits - General Fund) - Ward 2 (Seaman)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

## **PUBLIC WORKS - CONSENT**

17. For possible action to approve Cooperative (Local Public Agency) Highway Agreement PR714-22-063 between the City of Las Vegas (CLV) and the State of Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) to fund the design of the Historic Westside Complete Streets Project located along H Street between Owens Avenue and Bonanza Road and Washington Avenue between Martin L. King Jr. Boulevard and Interstate 15 (I-15) more specifically shown in the contract's Attachment "A" (\$3,157,895 - Road and Flood Capital Project Fund [CPF]) - Ward 5 (Crear)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

18. For possible action to approve a sewer easement from Jon Eric Mefford, Carolina Rodriguez Mefford, and The Lindley Family Revocable Living Trust to the City of Las Vegas (CLV) for sewer connection purposes, located in the vicinity of Tioga Way and La Madre Way, APNs 125-34-310-097 and -098 - Clark County

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

19. For possible action to approve the First Amendment to Communication Site License Agreement between the City of Las Vegas and T-Mobile West Tower, LLC regarding a facility located at 101 North Pavilion Center Drive (APN 137-35-501-004) which will allow T-Mobile West Tower, LLC to sublease portions of the space to Starry Group Holdings, Inc. - Ward 2 (Seaman)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

20. For possible action to approve the Communication Site License Agreement between the City of Las Vegas (CLV) and T-Mobile West Tower, LLC in regards to a cell tower located at 101 North Pavilion Center Drive (APN 137-35-501-004) which extends the term for five (5) years with four (4) additional five-year renewal options - Ward 2 (Seaman)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

21. For possible action to approve staff to acquire various real property rights for the future Citywide Pedestrian Safety Improvements FY18 Project, located in the vicinity of Gilmore Avenue and Campbell Road, APN 138-08-101-037 - Ward 4 (Allen-Palenske)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

22. For possible action to approve Third Supplemental Interlocal Contract LAS29F20 between the City of Las Vegas (CLV) and the Clark County Regional Flood Control District (CCRFCD) to extend the agreement expiration date from January 31, 2023 to January 31, 2026 for construction of the Flamingo - Boulder Highway North, Charleston - Boulder Highway to Maryland Parkway and Maryland Parkway System - Ward 3 (Diaz)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

## **RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT**

23. R-8-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution concerning the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, Special Improvement District (SID) No. 1485 - Alta Drive (Landscape Maintenance FY2024), fixing the time and place when complaints, protests, and objections to the Final Assessment Roll for the District will be heard, providing for the manner of giving notice of the hearing on the Final Assessment Roll, prescribing other details in connection therewith, ratifying all action taken consistent with the provisions hereof, and providing the effective date, hereof - Ward 1 (Knudsen)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

24. R-9-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution concerning the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, Special Improvement District (SID) No. 1485 - Alta Drive (Landscape Maintenance FY2024), determining the cost to be assessed and authorizing, ordering, and directing the City Engineer to prepare the Final Assessment Roll and providing the effective date, hereof - Ward 1 (Knudsen)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

25. R-10-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution concerning the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, Special Improvement District (SID) No. 1516 - Fremont Street Maintenance District FY2024 (Las Vegas Boulevard to 8th Street), fixing the time and place when complaints, protests, and objections to the Final Assessment Roll for the District will be heard, providing for the manner of giving notice of the hearing on the Final Assessment Roll, prescribing other details in connection; therewith, ratifying all action taken consistent with the provisions, hereof, and providing the effective date, hereof - Ward 3 (Diaz)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

26. R-11-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution concerning the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, Special Improvement District (SID) No. 1516 - Fremont Street Maintenance District (Las Vegas Boulevard to 8th Street), determining the cost to be assessed and authorizing, ordering, and directing the City Engineer to prepare the Final Assessment Roll for FY2024 and providing the effective date, hereof - Ward 3 (Diaz)

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

Minutes:

See Item 7 for related discussion.

27. R-12-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution consenting to the undertakings of the City of Las Vegas Redevelopment Agency (RDA) in connection with the Multifamily Residential Unit Incentive Program (MFR-UIP) Agreement between the RDA and 1st Estate, LLC (Owner), located at 517 North 1st Street (APN 139-27-810-034), to be in compliance with and in furtherance of the goals and objectives of the RDA - Redevelopment Area - Ward 5 (Crear) [NOTE: This item is related to RDA Item 5 (RA-5-2023)]

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

28. R-13-2023- For possible action to approve a Resolution consenting to the undertakings of the City of Las Vegas Redevelopment Agency (RDA) in connection with the Multifamily Residential Visual Incentive Program (MFR-VIP) Agreement between the RDA and 1st Estate, LLC (Owner), located at 517 North 1st Street (APN 139-27-810-034), to be in compliance with and in furtherance of the goals and objectives of the RDA - Redevelopment Area - Ward 5 (Crear) [NOTE: This item is related to RDA Item 6 (RA-6-2023)]

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

29. R-14-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution consenting to the undertakings of the City of Las Vegas Redevelopment Agency (RDA) in connection with the Commercial Visual Improvement Program (CVIP) Agreement between the RDA and Mahana Asset Management Group, LLC (Owner), and The Odobo Collective, Inc. (Tenant), located at 1300 C Street (APN 139-27-111-066), to be in compliance with and in furtherance of the goals and objectives of the RDA - Redevelopment Area - Ward 5 (Crear) [NOTE: This item is related to RDA Item 7 (RA-7-2023)]

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

30. R-15-2023 - For possible action to approve a Resolution and Notice regarding the granting of a telecommunications service franchise to Gigapower, LLC, setting the purpose, character, term and conditions of the proposed franchise and setting a public hearing on the advisability of granting the proposed franchise - All Wards

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve the Consent Agenda except Item(s) 27 and 28

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

## DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - DISCUSSION

31. Discussion for possible action regarding the appointment of nominee Joan De Santis to the Ward 4 seat on the Arts Commission

Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN PALENSKE said JOAN DE SANTIS is a wonderful resident of Sun City and a former art curator. She will be a wonderful addition to the Commission.

Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve the appointment

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

### RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE REPORT - DISCUSSION

#### BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR ADOPTION AT THIS MEETING

32. Bill No. 2023-3 - ABEYANCE ITEM - For possible action - Amends various provisions of LVMC Chapter 6.95 and Title 19.12 to include cannabis consumption lounges, and repeals LVMC Chapter 6.96 in its entirety. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Esq., Director of Community Development

Minutes:

NOTE: A Verbatim Transcript of this item is made a part of the Final Minutes.

Appearance List:

CAROLYN GOODMAN, Mayor  
JEFF DOROCK, Assistant City Attorney  
CRISLOVE IGELEKE, Deputy City Attorney  
JIM LEWIS, Deputy City Attorney  
SETH FLOYD, Director of Community Development  
DARCY ADELBAI-HURD, Business Licensing Manager  
VICTORIA SEAMAN, Councilwoman  
CEDRIC CREAR, Councilman  
OLIVIA DIAZ, Councilwoman  
NANCY BRUNE, Councilwoman  
SARAH COLLINS  
TIMOTHY ELI ADDO  
A'ESHA GOINS  
SCOT RUTLEDGE  
CHANDLER COOKS  
RACHEL LEE  
JENNIFER LAZOVICH  
BRI PADILLA  
JOSH KASOFF  
DANI BARANOWSKI  
CRISTINA ULMAN  
THOMAS LIOLIOS  
JASON GRENINGER  
KURT DREGER  
PAUL MURAD  
BRIAN KNUDSEN, Councilman

(2 hours, 25 minutes, 49 seconds) [45:53 – 1:39:56]

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Second reading and bill adopted as a Second Amendment as Ordinance No. 6831.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve as a Second Amendment with amended language that lowers the origination fee from \$2,500 to \$1,500 for social equity applicants

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

33. Bill No. 2023-7 - For possible action - Amends LVMC Chapter 2.52 to generally provide that members of City boards, commissions and committees serve at the pleasure of the City Council, and makes parallel changes to provisions in other chapters regarding particular boards and commissions. Proposed by: Bryan K. Scott, City Attorney

Minutes:

Second reading and bill adopted as introduced as Ordinance No. 6832.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

#### **BILLS ELIGIBLE FOR ADOPTION AT A LATER MEETING**

**There is no public comment on these items and no action will be taken by the Council at this meeting, except those items which may be stricken or tabled. Public testimony takes place at the Recommending Committee Meeting held for that purpose.**

34. Bill No. 2023-6 - Amends LVMC Chapter 7.40, regarding professional animal handler and breeder permits, to expand the scope of the permit requirement to include animal rescue operations, establish additional operational requirements for the holders of certain permits, and provide minimum penalties for certain violations. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Victoria Seaman

Minutes:

Recommendation noted.

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See Item 7 for related discussion.

35. Bill No. 2023-8 - Amends LVMC Chapter 19.09, relating to Form-Based Code, to consolidate use types for the various transect zones into one table; makes related adjustments to other provisions of LVMC Title 19; and makes other general technical amendments and corrections to Title 19. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

Recommendation noted.

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#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

The items listed below, where appropriate, have been reviewed by the various City departments relative to the

requirements for storm drainage and flood control, connection to sanitary sewer, traffic circulation, and Building and Fire regulations. Their comments and/or requirements have been incorporated into the action.

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - DISCUSSION**

36. 22-0536 - ABEYANCE ITEM - PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT/OWNER: LIAM PROPERTIES, LLC SERIES 3 - For possible action on the following Land Use Entitlement project requests on 0.16 acres at 820 South 6th Street (APN 139-34-410-198), C-1 (Limited Commercial) Zone, Ward 3 (Diaz). The Planning Commission (6-0 vote) recommends APPROVAL on the entire Land Use Entitlement project. Staff recommends DENIAL on 22-0536-WVR1. Staff recommends APPROVAL on 22-0536-SUP1.

Minutes:

See Items 36a and 36b for related backup.

- 36a. 22-0536-WVR1 - ABEYANCE ITEM - WAIVER - TO ALLOW A FIVE-FOOT TALL SOLID PERIMETER WALL WITHIN THE FRONT SETBACK AREA WHERE FIVE FEET WITH A TWO-FOOT SOLID BASE IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED

Minutes:

See Items 36-36b for related backup.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

- 36b. 22-0536-SUP1 - ABEYANCE ITEM - SPECIAL USE PERMIT - FOR A PROPOSED HOTEL, MOTEL OR HOTEL SUITES USE

Minutes:

See Items 36-36b for related backup.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

37. 22-0561 - ABEYANCE ITEM - PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT: AMG AUTO SALES - OWNER: CAPELLA CENTER, LLC - For possible action on the following Land Use Entitlement project requests on 0.45 acres at 3730 Capella Avenue, Suites #1 through #6 (APN 162-08-410-009), M (Industrial) Zone, Ward 1 (Knudsen). The Planning Commission (6-0) vote recommends APPROVAL on the entire Land Use Entitlement project. Staff recommends DENIAL on the entire Land Use Entitlement project. [NOTE: The correct Ward is Ward 3 (Diaz).]

Minutes:

See Items 37a-37c for related backup.

- 37a. 22-0561-VAR1 - ABEYANCE ITEM - VARIANCE - TO ALLOW ZERO ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACES WHERE 28 ADDITIONAL SPACES ARE REQUIRED FOR AN EXISTING PARKING IMPAIRED DEVELOPMENT

Minutes:

See Items 37-37c for related backup.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

- 37b. 22-0561-VAR2 - ABEYANCE ITEM - VARIANCE - TO ALLOW NO OUTDOOR STORAGE SCREENING WHERE SUCH IS REQUIRED AND TO ALLOW CHAIN LINK FENCING WHERE SUCH MATERIAL IS PROHIBITED

Minutes:

See Items 37-37c for related backup.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

- 37c. 22-0561-SUP1 - ABEYANCE ITEM - SPECIAL USE PERMIT - FOR A PROPOSED AUTO REPAIR GARAGE, MAJOR USE

Minutes:

See Items 37-37c for related backup.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance Items 27 and 28 to 3/15/2023 and Items 37a-37c to 5/3/2023 and Withdraw without Prejudice Items 36a and 36b

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Victoria Seaman, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske;

38. 22-0659-VAR1 - ABEYANCE ITEM - VARIANCE - PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT/OWNER: ROBERTO CAMACHO - For possible action on a Land Use Entitlement project request TO ALLOW AN EXISTING NINE-FOOT BLOCK WALL IN THE FRONT YARD SETBACK WHERE TWO FEET OF BLOCK WALL IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED on 0.27 acres at 409 Bruce Street (APN 139-35-111-162), R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zone, Ward 5 (Crear). The Planning Commission (6-0 vote) recommends APPROVAL. Staff recommends DENIAL.

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing open.

PETER LOWENSTEIN, Deputy Planning Director, reported that this item is in front of the Council as a result of Code Enforcement action. The existing block wall was built without a permit and is a self-imposed hardship. Staff recommended denial.

ROBERTO CAMACHO thanked COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ for starting the process of cleaning up the community. He has already gone through several variance applications but now he needs another one to approve the additional six inches on his wall. He also thanked COUNCILMAN CREAR for allowing him to come in and speak about his case.

COUNCILMAN CREAR thanked MR. CAMACHO for speaking with him and said he did a great job on the addition.

MAYOR GOODMAN declared the Public Hearing closed.

Motion made by Cedric Crear to Approve subject to conditions

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 1; Excused: 0

For-Nancy Brune, Cedric Crear, Carolyn Goodman, Brian Knudsen, Olivia Diaz, Francis Allen-Palenske; Did Not Vote-Victoria Seaman;

## **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

39. Report by Tina Quigley, President and CEO of Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (LVGEA), regarding business development services being provided to existing businesses located in the City of Las Vegas (City) and new businesses relocating to the City - All Wards

Minutes:

RYAN SMITH, Director of Economic and Urban Development, introduced the item and said this is a required report per their contract with the City.

BILL ARENT, Chief Business Development Officer and Senior Vice President, Las Vegas Global Economic Alliance (LVGEA), said their mission is to strengthen the greater Vegas economy through intentional business attraction, expansion, and connectivity. Using a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was submitted and attached as backup, he said the LVGEA attracted 11 companies to the region last year, which led to a capital expenditure of \$514 million, a one-year economic impact of \$369 million, \$12.2 million in local and state tax revenue, and a \$32.13 average wage. Looking ahead, MR. ARENT said they are focusing on championing their business brand and clearly communicating what the value proposition is for Las Vegas, leading regional business attraction efforts, and delivering value to their investors. He added that LVGEA has private and local investors, and their Board is comprised of 54 members.

Speaking to the goal of championing their business brand, MR. ARENT said LVGEA is focused on leveraging community assets. For the city of Las Vegas, that includes the Las Vegas Medical District and other major projects. They are working on nurturing a regional business brand, which means they will focus on primary companies that have regional, national, or global customer bases to inject new money into the economy rather than circulating what is existing. To lead strategies, LVGEA is working with all of their partners on a 'team Vegas' framework for economic development. They also have a foreign trade zone program for companies that are importing products from overseas that can defer customs fees until the final point of sale. To accomplish their goal of delivering strategies, MR. ARENT said they will be addressing barriers to competitiveness and make sure that LVGEA's brand awareness is extensive. Further, they want to elevate all partners and make sure their assets are marketed.

MR. ARENT said they are focused on improving the types of companies that come to Las Vegas and attracting more high-wage employers. He displayed a table of average wages from the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation and noted that the state threshold is \$28.14 per hour, but LVGEA is committed to a threshold of \$33.99. To do this, they are going after high-wage industries to lift the whole economy. They assisted 11 companies last year, but they are committed to a target of 25 companies this year. Further, they are expanding their team and are planning more site visits. If LVGEA is successful, these efforts will add 3,000 jobs with an average wage of \$62,400 per year. MR. ARENT added that LVGEA is updating their fiscal economic impact model to calculate how new tax revenue directly benefits the City. Some of their new industry vertical targets include: battery manufacturing, cybersecurity, blockchain, life sciences, corporate headquarters, and sports and entertainment.

Speaking to the specific benefits to the City of Las Vegas, MR. ARENT said they are attracting new primary businesses to greater Las Vegas, and they will be tracking the fiscal and economic impacts. They will be supporting existing businesses that want to expand in addition to the startup and entrepreneurship communities. LVGEA meets monthly with the economic development directors, and their engagement council offers strategic input. He said LVGEA is launching a developers council to provide thought leadership on economic growth and engage the real estate community, and they also have plans to launch a regional branding council and a next up council to attract and retain young professionals.

MR. ARENT distributed copies of the LVGEA 2022 Annual Report and 2023 Action Plan, copies of which were submitted and attached as backup, and noted that these reports are also available at [www.lvgea.org](http://www.lvgea.org).

MAYOR GOODMAN commended the great presentation, and she asked if LVGEA tracks why companies do not come to Las Vegas. MR. ARENT replied in the affirmative, noting that a company recently cited the cost of workforce as well as tax incentives in choosing Phoenix over Las Vegas. They are, however, working closely with the new Governor to remain competitive. He said Las Vegas has many advantages, including a better proximity to California and to international markets along with a young workforce. The Mayor recalled the City being granted \$90 million of tax credits for the film industry, \$80 million of which was given to a battery project up north, and she hoped more funds would come in.

COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE asked how LVGEA will address workforce challenges, and MR. ARENT replied that workforce is a huge issue, but they are working closely with their partners, such as CSN (College of Southern Nevada), to garner more skilled professionals and positions. He referenced a study that concluded Nevada has a higher number of individuals with Associate degrees for engineering technician positions rather than a Bachelor's or higher degree. Nevertheless, he said UNLV (University of Nevada, Las Vegas) Engineering enrollment is increasing, and they are due to graduate roughly the same number of students as the College of Hospitality this academic year. LVGEA will continue to work closely with their higher-education partners to provide skills-based training and increase enrollment numbers.

COUNCILMAN CREAR said he was interested in knowing how LVGEA is playing a role in the city of Las Vegas to give the Council a baseline for their success. MR. ARENT said they could do a better job at working with the existing businesses in the community and helping them grow and access incentives. Further, the State identified a disparity between outcomes in where employees and residents live. MR. SMITH added that LVGEA has been very strategic on the types of companies the City seeks. For a long time, there was a supply and demand issue for industrial space, and the State required LVGEA to rectify the issue. He suggested they get more intimate with the goals of the local jurisdictions. MAYOR GOODMAN said Las Vegas is known worldwide, and she hoped LVGEA could get more involved with the development of the Las Vegas Medical District. COUNCILMAN CREAR heard that the State of Economic Development event hosted by the LVGEA was wonderful, but they needed more comfortable chairs.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN recalled a presentation he attended years ago about the benefits of expanding the sports medicine industry, but Las Vegas does not have the environment for it. He said it would be great to understand what the environment needs to be for the healthcare industry to thrive here, and he hoped the LVGEA would be engaged in these efforts. Speaking to MR. SMITH, the Councilman added that the City should also share information on what industries will thrive in a medical space when they report on the Las Vegas Medical District. MR. SMITH said TINA QUIGLEY, President and Chief Executive Officer, told him that LVGEA is dedicated to helping with healthcare. He believed there was a lot of momentum, and he noted that MR. ARENT was involved in selecting ECG, one of the best healthcare consultants in the world. He was told by ECG that Las Vegas has the most opportunity out of all of their consulting projects if they take certain steps. MR. ARENT added that when they meet with companies that are out of market, those companies do not expect the region to solve their problems overnight, but there does need to be a plan. There are great existing assets, and those need to be highlighted during the recruiting process. They will also identify the assets that need more attention, such as lab space. COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN said there are challenges at the State also, such as with licensing and Medicare reimbursements. The Mayor added that Nevada is one of only four states that has a Legislature that only meets every two years, which makes this even more critical.

COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ said her constant concern is whether or not these higher paying jobs are being offered to existing residents first. She said the City often works on projects regionally, but silos still exist, and information needs to be free flowing. The Councilwoman was also intrigued about the possibility of Panasonic coming to Las Vegas, and she asked MR. ARENT to provide more information. MR. ARENT said they are looking at the entire metro area, but a challenge is that the Valley is running out of land; however, some of these operations do not necessarily need hundreds of acres, so there is still plenty of room for opportunity.

#### SET DATE

40. Set date on any appeals filed or required public hearings from the City Planning Commission Meetings and Dangerous Building or Nuisance/Litter Abatements.

Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN advised the City Clerk, LUANN D. HOLMES, to set the date for all applicable items.

### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

41. Citizens Participation: Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the City Council. No subject may be acted upon by the City Council unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, come to the podium and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion on any single subject, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited.

Minutes:

DANIEL BRAISTED wanted to know who he could speak to about vertical farming, and he recommended that the City offer classes on this matter as well. He wondered if the Council was aware that Three Square offers lunch for seniors at various libraries twice per week, and the Parks and Recreation Department should incorporate this into their events at the East Las Vegas Community Center. He said we ignore our biggest value, trade shows, and the City's executive team should be attending these events. Lastly, he said Downtown Las Vegas should host trade shows.

TIMOTHY ELI ADDO wanted to raise awareness for incorporating cannabis consumption lounges into the Las Vegas Medical District. He said excluding the medical aspect of cannabis is completely regressive to the original vision. As a participant in the cannabis consumption lounge application process, he was disappointed in the lack of transparency. One group was awarded seven of the 10 licenses. The CCB (Cannabis Compliance Board) was enacted to correct mistakes but they have proven to be another corrupt group. He said the Amsterdam model was never successful.

### **COUNCIL EMERGING ISSUES**

**Comments made by Council members during this portion of the agenda must refer solely to proposals for future agenda item topics to be brought before the Council for consideration and action at a later date. Any discussion must be limited to whether or not such proposed items shall be placed on a future agenda and no discussion regarding the substance of any such proposed topic shall occur. No action shall be taken.**

42. Discussion regarding potential items for future City Council agendas - All Wards

Minutes:

None.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER RECOGNITION**

43. Council Member Recognition: Comments made by individual City Council Members during this portion of the agenda will not be acted upon by the City Council unless that subject is on the agenda and scheduled for action.

Minutes:

COUNCILMEMBERS PALENSKE, DIAZ, KNUDSEN, CREAM, SEAMAN and BRUNE announced the various events taking place throughout the month of March. Some of the Councilmembers submitted flyers, which are attached as backup, regarding their events and points of interest.

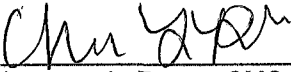
At the Mayor's request, CHIEF COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER DR. LISA MORRIS HIBBLER announced that the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians donated \$235,000 to the Mayor's Fund for Las Vegas LIFE to fund another Arrow Shuttle, which is a fixed route transit that provides transportation to individuals experiencing homelessness to get to vital appointments. MAYOR GOODMAN said it was a wonderful event and gave thanks to CHRISTIE GARNES, Sr. Management Analyst, for assisting.

CITY MANAGER JORGE CERVANTES and DAVID RIGGLEMAN, Communications Director, reminded City employees about the Employee Appreciation Day picnic being held on March 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Floyd Lamb Park. There will be live music, carriage rides, face painting, bounce houses, food and contests. Family members and pets of employees are welcome.

MAYOR GOODMAN thanked all the staff members responsible for ensuring a smooth meeting. She announced that the next meeting of the City Council would be on March 15, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Cheyenne LaRance, CMC, Sr. Deputy City Clerk

  
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LuAnn D. Holmes, MMC, City Clerk

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1 **ITEM NO. 32 – BILL NO. 2023-3 – ABEYANCE ITEM – FOR POSSIBLE ACTION –**  
2 **AMENDS VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF LVMC CHAPTER 6.95 AND TITLE 19.12 TO**  
3 **INCLUDE CANNABIS CONSUMPTION LOUNGES, AND REPEALS LVMC**  
4 **CHAPTER 6.96 IN ITS ENTIRETY. PROPOSED BY: SETH T. FLOYD, ESQ.,**  
5 **DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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7 **Appearance List**

8 CAROLYN GOODMAN, Mayor

9 JEFF DOROCAK, Assistant City Attorney

10 CRISLOVE IGELEKE, Deputy City Attorney

11 JIM LEWIS, Deputy City Attorney

12 SETH FLOYD, Director of Community Development

13 DARCY ADELBAI-HURD, Business Licensing Manager

14 VICTORIA SEAMAN, Councilwoman

15 CEDRIC CREAR, Councilman

16 OLIVIA DIAZ, Councilwoman

17 NANCY BRUNE, Councilwoman

18 TIMOTHY ELI ADDO

19 SARAH COLLINS

20 A'ESHA GOINS

21 SCOT RUTLEDGE

22 CHANDLER COOKS

23 RACHEL LEE

24 JENNIFER LAZOVICH

25 BRI PADILLA

26 JOSH KASOFF

27 DANI BARANOWSKI

28 CRISTINA ULMAN

29 THOMAS LIOLIOS

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30 JASON GRENINGER

31 PAUL MURAD

32 KURT DREGER

33 BRIAN KNUDSEN, Councilman

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40 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

41 And Item 32. Recommending Committee Bills Eligible For Adoption At This Meeting. Bill  
42 No. 2023-3 - Abeyance Item - For possible action - Amends various provisions of the Las Vegas,  
43 well, LVMC Chapter 6.95 and Title 19.12 to include cannabis consumption lounges, and repeals  
44 LVMC Chapter 6.96 in its entirety. Proposed by: Seth Floyd, Esquire, Director of Community  
45 Development. And so would you please read the bill?

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47 **JEFF DOROCAK**

48 You took care of that, Mayor. But Jeff Dorocak, Assistant City Attorney. And this is the First  
49 Amendment of Bill No. 2023-3. If you like, I can set the table for the staff presentation ahead.

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51 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

52 I would like that, please.

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54 **JEFF DOROCAK**

55 All right. Well, in front of you is the City's cannabis team. From left to right, we have Deputy City  
56 Attorney Jim Lewis. We have the Business Licensing Manager, Darcy Adelbai-Hurd, Deputy City  
57 Attorney Crislove Igeleke, and Community Development Director, Seth Floyd. What we're going to  
58 do is Crislove, who is the lead drafter, and myself are going to provide a high-level overview of the

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59 main provisions of the bill, especially for the public, who might just be getting caught up on what is  
60 in the introduced bill, what is in the First Amendment to the bill, and then what we passed out today  
61 as a proposed Second Amendment. So we'll hit those highlights together, Crislove and I. At that  
62 point, we can turn it back over to the group in front of you for some immediate questions, but more  
63 importantly they are prepared to give you some context and history, starting back with the City's  
64 social use venues, then the State law developments, the Cannabis Compliance Board and its  
65 regulations, and then all of the public outreach efforts done by our Community Development  
66 Department.

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68 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

69 And then I will go ahead and open up public comment.

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71 **JEFF DOROCAK**

72 Sounds good. All right. So we'll go to the PowerPoint, and here we go. This bill deals with cannabis  
73 consumption lounges, and there are two types — independent cannabis consumption lounges and  
74 retail cannabis consumption lounges. The fundamental difference is a retail cannabis consumption  
75 lounge is connected to an adult use cannabis retail store. An independent cannabis consumption  
76 lounge is a standalone. And as you can see from the checkmarks, as we go forward, that particular  
77 topic is in all of the bills, the introduced, the First Amendment, and the proposed Second Amendment  
78 in front of you. As a general matter, we are creating the business licensing regulations in Chapter 6.95  
79 for the consumption lounges. That is in all of the bills and the amendments in front of you. We've  
80 established a \$10,000 origination charge for these consumption lounges and a semi-annual license fee  
81 that will not exceed three percent of gross revenue semi-annually. That origination charge and semi-  
82 annual license fee from introduction to today's proposed Second Amendment remains in there.  
83 We have our first change with the next item based on public feedback, which was the social  
84 equity applicants' origination charge was lowered to \$2,500 in the First Amendment, and that is  
85 also in the Second, the proposed Second Amendment in front of you. Besides enacting the  
86 business licensing regulations, we also have the general land use regulations for cannabis  
87 consumption lounges, which will be in Chapter 19.12 of our Unified Development Code. And all

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88 of the cannabis consumption lounges will be subject to a special use permit requirement, which  
89 will require them to come before City Council. And as you can see, we had that in the introduced  
90 bill, and it stays with us through today's proposed Second Amendment. As part of those land use  
91 regulations, we has some familiar unwaivable distance separations: 1,000 feet from schools, 300  
92 feet from City parks, houses of worship, family/group care centers, public community rec  
93 facilities, and a 1,500 feet non-restricted gaming distance separation. I should note on the general  
94 business licensing regulations and the land use regulations we are comporting with State law,  
95 and that's why we have those set up in the bill. I'll turn it over to Crislove now, who drafted  
96 everything, and she will hit the next slide, to the people in the back, which deals with where we  
97 have some major changes on amendments.

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99 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

100 Thank you very much. Please, Ms. Crislove.

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102 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

103 Good morning, Madam Mayor and Council Members. Crislove Igeleke, Deputy City Attorney for  
104 the record. I also wanted to give thanks to Val Steed, who was tremendous help in putting this  
105 together. I know Darcy and Business Licensing also did a great deal of outreach to solicit some  
106 information from the public as far as what we needed to change, and we also got a lot of feedback  
107 from you all. So thank you as well. So the items that I'm going to cover are the things that we don't  
108 see in the first introduced bill, but we've added over the course of time in the First and the Second  
109 Amendment. So the first thing was the waivable distance separation. So we have 1,000-foot  
110 distance separation between the lounges, and we initially allowed for a waiver for that. So that  
111 waiver still stays in this final edition. So anyone who is seeking to be within a limit closer than  
112 1,000 feet can come to Council to request that.

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114 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

115 And I would ask you to repeat that entire statement so it's extremely clear to those of you who  
116 are not here.

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117 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

118 Absolutely.

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120 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

121 Thank you.

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123 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

124 So while there is a 1,000 foot separation, there is an option for anyone who is a license holder

125 that wants to be within that distance requirement to request a waiver from the City Council.

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127 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

128 Thank you.

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130 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

131 So that provides the opportunity for there to be a specific area where there are multiple license holders

132 for cannabis consumption lounges. And again, that's something that is up to the Council's discretion.

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134 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

135 Thank you.

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137 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

138 No problem. As part of that waiver, that First Amendment that we provided also includes

139 restricted areas where you cannot have that waiver granted, and that is only within Symphony

140 Park, the Medical District, as well as Resorts and Casino District. And I do have maps of those

141 areas if you guys need to look at that. That additional, or sorry, the next thing we added to the

142 First Amendment was a training plan. So this training plan will be provided to employees, and

143 we ask that licensees provide that in their application. And that will go then to Metro to provide

144 any recommendations, and it allows for their review. It doesn't require them to comply with

145 anything that's provided, but it's simply a recommendation for them to be able to use. The next

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146 item that we talked about in the first bill was the outdoor consumption. So initially, in that very  
147 first draft that was introduced, there was no outdoor consumption allowed at all. We went back  
148 and in the First Amendment allowed for outdoor consumption, and it included a requirement that  
149 licensees had to obtain consent from any neighboring businesses. So in this Second Proposed  
150 Amendment, what we did was remove that requirement. So now licensees do not have to go to  
151 any neighboring businesses to get their consent to allow them to use outdoor consumption. The  
152 two prongs that we have on the last two points are the two methods in which licensees can seek  
153 that waiver if they want to have outdoor consumption. So if you want to have smoking or vaping,  
154 that's going to be something that comes before the Council, and you all have to vote on that to  
155 permit it. And if someone just wants to have outdoor edible consumption, so let's say any type of  
156 food that's infused with cannabis, that will simply go to the Community Development Director.  
157 And then I think Council you had, or sorry, Madam Mayor, you had asked that we kind of talk  
158 about some of the distance separations in other jurisdictions. So our office did look into that. And  
159 in Henderson, they have 5,280 feet distance separations for any cannabis establishments. As well  
160 as in Phoenix they have that same amount, which ends up being a mile. But there are some  
161 jurisdictions, like Seattle, San Diego, and specifically Denver, who do have the 1,000 foot  
162 separation between all retail dispensaries as well.

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164 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

165 Thank you very much.

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167 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

168 No problem.

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170 **JIM LEWIS**

171 Madam Mayor, Council, Jim Lewis, your planning and land use lawyer. I think I just wanted to  
172 highlight that waiver issue one more time for you and also the people behind us listening. This is  
173 really important because it's my understanding that there are folks that might want to put together  
174 what they're labeling like a New Amsterdam, and they're concerned that this 1,000 foot

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175 separation requirement will not permit them to do so. The truth of the matter is, and let me read it  
176 to you from our proposed code. This is very important. It says the separation requirement may be  
177 waived by the City Council in connection with a special use permit approval in appropriate  
178 cases, including in areas in which the City Council might desire to encourage such  
179 establishments to locate. So for those folks that might think that the 1,000 foot waiver would  
180 preclude somebody coming to this Council with an interesting idea that you might want to  
181 consider, it doesn't. We've got a waiver requirement here. They come forward. The waiver  
182 actually doesn't cost any more money. It's part of a special use permit application. So they would  
183 just come to you with this interesting proposal, and you would consider it. It might be  
184 appropriate. It might not be. But the fact of the matter is the 1,000 foot distance separation  
185 doesn't preclude these kinds of projects from coming to you.

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187 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

188 On the same fee.

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190 **JIM LEWIS**

191 Yes.

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193 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

194 The same fee first fee.

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196 **JIM LEWIS**

197 Yes. So when you come in, so each applicant comes in. They have to apply for a special use  
198 permit. That special use permit has a fee associated with it. The waiver has no additional cost. It  
199 is part of the special use permit application fee.

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201 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

202 Okay. Thank you.

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203 **SETH FLOYD**

204 And thank you, Mayor. Seth Floyd, Director of Community Development for the record. So the  
205 last piece, now that Crislove and Jim have gone through the mechanics of the bill, Darcy and I  
206 wanted to give you kind of a couple of other points that you may want to consider, where we've  
207 been with this bill, you know, this isn't our first go-around with social use venues, and also the  
208 public outreach that we've done leading up to and getting us here today. So I'm going to turn it  
209 over to Darcy to go through that information because she led that project.

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211 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

212 Good morning.

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214 **DARCY ADELBAI-HURD**

215 Good morning, Mayor and Council, Darcy Adelbai-Hurd, Business Licensing Manager. Just to  
216 do a quick timeline of where we've been and how we got to where we are today. Twenty-  
217 nineteen, May 2019, we approved a social use venue before you with the Council, where we  
218 vetted for over I believe like a year and a half stakeholder meetings, and we put forth what our  
219 version of a consumption lounge. That got halted by the State. In June, the legislative session,  
220 they stopped the whole entire state from allowing consumption lounges. So we weren't able to  
221 enact that. They then said that the Cannabis Compliance Board had to draft regulations to then  
222 allow the local entities to do that. So we waited from 2019 until 2022, waiting for those  
223 regulations. When those regulations came forward, it was the summer of 2022. That's when we  
224 looked at what we had in our code and what the State allowed. A lot of what we had was still in  
225 that code, but they created the consumption lounges to be cannabis establishments. So we had  
226 them separated. What we had to do then is look at our code and repeal that section. Our social  
227 use venues were not cannabis establishments. We had a section of code that were. So our  
228 dispensaries, our retail stores, and our cultivations were establishments. We needed to move that  
229 over. So that's what this bill was trying to do, take all of the language that was already approved  
230 and move it over into that section and then stay within State law. That was in July/August when  
231 we started drafting that language.

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232 Then in September, we received a letter from the Cannabis Compliance Board, saying what  
233 entities are going to opt in and opt out. We came before you on September 9th, and you, or we  
234 had a deadline of September 9th to tell the State whether or not we were going to opt in or opt  
235 out. September 7th, the Board, the Council decided to put it before a discussion item on  
236 September 20th, and that's when we told the Compliance, the CCB that we were going to opt in.  
237 And then in October, we decided to finish our draft and we did the business impact solicitation.  
238 We opened up our solicitation on October 31st, and we kept it open until November 30th.  
239 During that time, we started our stakeholder meetings, and we did our workshops. We did a  
240 combined workshop with Clark County on November 10th. We did that during our Business  
241 Expo at the World Market Center. We held a virtual workshop in the morning on  
242 November 21st. We did an in-person workshop that afternoon, here at City Hall. And on  
243 November 30th is when the CCB held their lottery, and that's when they said who got the golden  
244 tickets for the consumption lounges.

245 Then we had another, we had a couple other meetings. On December 12th, we had a virtual  
246 meeting with Ward 3 and some of the social equity applicants. And that was in the morning. And  
247 then another one with the Community Director and the social equity applicants on that same day  
248 in the afternoon. We introduced the draft ordinance. Also at those meetings we explained to  
249 those applicants their opportunity to come to our Recommending Committee to put forth any  
250 requests that they had for the draft language. We provided them with the draft that they had  
251 because, at that point, our business impact had already closed. We introduced the bill on January  
252 4th, and it was sent to the Recommending Committee on January 17th. And then it was held in  
253 abeyance until January 30th. Then it moved out of Recommending on January 30th with the First  
254 Amendment. It went to City Council on February 15th, and then it was held in abeyance until  
255 today. But we did have another stakeholder meeting on February 22nd, which then prompted the  
256 Second Amendment, which came before you today with some of the items that Crislove just  
257 presented, with one additional note that we wanted to add. We did add one more amendment  
258 that's not on the PowerPoint, and that was to lower the fees one more time for the social equity  
259 applicants, down to \$1,500.

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260 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

261 Could you repeat that loud and clear, please?

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263 **DARCY ADELBAI-HURD**

264 That is to lower the social equity applicant fees from \$2,500 to \$1,500. And that would be in the

265 Second Amendment. And so we are before you today to hopefully get a vote for this bill to pass.

266 Thank you.

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268 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

269 Thank you all. Very clear and helpful. What I'd like to do at this point is get the involvement and

270 comments, questions from Council and then open it up for public comment. And so if that would

271 work for you all and here we go. So any questions down there? Councilwoman Seaman, please.

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273 **COUNCILWOMAN SEAMAN**

274 I don't really have a question. I just want to thank you for all the work that you've done on this

275 and that you took the time to meet with the Chamber of Cannabis. And I want to remind people

276 that this was something that the State passed, and it was up to us to put the ordinance together.

277 And I think we all came together and really worked to make sure that we did the best job with

278 our colleagues. So thank you.

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280 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

281 Councilman Crear.

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283 **COUNCILMAN CREAR**

284 Thank you, Madam Mayor. I think it's really important to note and to reiterate the fact that the

285 City of Las Vegas was the first jurisdiction to approve social use venues a few years back. A

286 group of us, we even traveled to San Francisco, and while we were there, we toured a number of

287 social use venues, actually went in, kicked the tires, and saw what was going on. And we came

288 back from that trip and approved the social use venues, even though it was not very popular at

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289 the time and it didn't have State support and it didn't have a number of — you know, we didn't  
290 have the crowds that we have today in our support of that. The City was a leader in that, because  
291 I personally believe that it keeps honest people honest. If you look at it, I don't think that the  
292 industry does a very good job of promoting the rules and regulations of it. I wish there was  
293 something in here that talked about how they need to talk about what the rules are and maybe  
294 even a posting of that or even an advertisement that says, look, you cannot just fly to Vegas, get  
295 off the plane, and light up at McCarran, which I have personally seen happen. And I think that  
296 people have a perception of what Las Vegas is about, which is great, but that's not the law.  
297 And so, you know, I think that we've come a very long ways with this. And I'm not a fan right  
298 now of the outdoor consumption. I think we need to have a better understanding of how the  
299 indoor consumption is going to work before we start just approving outdoor consumption. There  
300 are so many questions that have to be answered. And I think that it's not just a matter of, yes,  
301 we're going to allow it. I mean, you have to take into consideration the neighborhood, the  
302 businesses associated with it, the smell, all types of things that go into it. So it's just not as simple  
303 as just saying we're going to approve outdoor consumption.  
304 So I personally think that we should have at least a one-year moratorium once these get open in  
305 order to evaluate it and then make the determination. But with the special use permit, I guess the  
306 Council will make the determination if they will allow it or not. But I also want to reiterate the  
307 fact that you, our team has done a yeoman's job of trying to follow the rules and regulations  
308 established by the State legislature. And I truly applaud you all because you guys have had the  
309 patience and reiteration. And I think that the public has been very much engaged and have had a  
310 very strong voice in the whole process. So congratulations to you all and thank you.

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312 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

313 Thank you. Councilwoman Diaz and Councilwoman Palenske, comments too? You're okay.

314 Councilwoman Diaz.

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316 **COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ**

317 Thank you, Madam Mayor. And I know just as my colleague, Councilman Crear, has mentioned,

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318 this has been a work in progress for the City way before I arrived on the Council, and my  
319 predecessor sitting out there is making sure we don't mess it up. So thank you former  
320 Councilman Coffin for being here. I just want to say that again this is new territory and  
321 uncharted territory for us as the City of Las Vegas. And the State gave everyone the ability to opt  
322 in to have consumption lounges, and only four jurisdictions opted in, two of which are in  
323 Southern Nevada, one of which is the City of Las Vegas. So I think that some of us have to  
324 recognize the willingness of the City to delve into this space that other jurisdictions are not  
325 wanting to touch yet. So we're being, again, another leader to make sure that we are affording our  
326 tourists and people who want to go and consume marijuana a responsible way to do so. Not in  
327 our parking lots, not in our hotel rooms, but somewhere else where it is allowed and that maybe  
328 they want to do it in a communal setting, they want to do it with friends and families and people  
329 that come with them. So we're totally on board.

330 The thing is we're hearing a lot of different opinions also, and I want the public to be aware not  
331 everyone wants the Little Amsterdam in a certain space. And we have to be cognizant, and we  
332 have to be respectful of spaces that already exist. I don't think anyone on this Council is opposed  
333 to that concept potentially taking fold, but where that is going to happen is still a question that  
334 we don't even know how to answer. So that will hopefully continue to evolve, the conversations  
335 will be had, and we can all maybe get behind it. But that is still something that we don't know  
336 how it's all going to unfold. I do want to say thank you to my colleagues for supporting the social  
337 equity license component going to \$1,500. I really think that they're the folks that are going to  
338 have a little bit more issues in setting up their establishment, and we're mirroring what the county  
339 has. So really appreciative of that. And I think we're on the right track here. We do have to have  
340 checks and balances initially. And just like any other space, when we get comfortable and we see  
341 what it is all about, I'm sure we can come back and reevaluate and assess after we've had a  
342 couple of years with consumption lounges under our belt and know how the community and the  
343 adjacent business owners feel about them as well. So those are my comments, Madam Mayor.

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344 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

345 Thank you. Thank you. I'd like to get an explanation, if you would, about the cost of the  
346 processing. And perhaps for Planning, I guess, Mr. Floyd if you would respond to that. How did  
347 we arrive at that number? Why wasn't it \$2,000? Or why wasn't it \$1,000 or \$500? So please.

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349 **SETH FLOYD**

350 Yeah. Thank you, Mayor. Seth Floyd for the record. So all of our fees are designed to  
351 approximate what we think the regulatory cost is going to be. So industries that have more rules  
352 and are a heavier lift for our staff, obviously there's a cost to that because Darcy and our team  
353 have real staff time involved in doing that. And this one in particular, there are number of  
354 components of this that make it a heavier lift for our team. There are more regulatory  
355 components. For example, Crislove didn't go into a whole lot of detail on this, but the training  
356 plan is submitted to Metro. So we have to coordinate with Metro on the training plans. That takes  
357 staff time. We have to evaluate the special use permits for the waiver. There are a number of  
358 components that have to be reviewed as well. Because these are privileged licenses, there's an  
359 extra level of review. There are background checks for the key employees and for the owners.  
360 And so the fee kind of reflects that. It reflects that this requires a significant amount of staff time.  
361 There's also a required review that we added in the Second Amendment. So staff is going to have  
362 some time in putting those together, looking for calls for service, evaluating the status at that  
363 time in a year of each of these establishments. So there is a staff component that goes into us  
364 developing that fee. So that's how we arrived at the fee. We do recognize, as Councilwoman  
365 Diaz said, we had these conversations with the stakeholders and also internally about trying to  
366 lower that barrier to entry however for the social equity applicants to give them a shot.

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368 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

369 Thank you. I mean, it's really helpful as much as we can cover to inform the public. I want to ask  
370 you, Mr. Lewis, if you'd speak to the issue the federal government has continued on with the  
371 felony. It is a felony. Well, if you would make some comment as to that.

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372 **JIM LEWIS**

373 Certainly, Mayor. Thank you very much. Yeah, as, Mayor, you and the Council know, marijuana is  
374 still a Schedule 1 drug at the federal level. There has been — To make a long story short, there have  
375 been letters issued by the Department of Justice that indicate that the U.S. attorneys will not be  
376 pursuing marijuana-related crimes as long as certain conditions are met by states and local  
377 governments. Here in Nevada, that letter has been issued. And so we are free, this government is  
378 free, the state government is free to issue regulations on marijuana establishments and allow  
379 marijuana as long as we comply with the terms of the DOJ-issued letters. And that's where we're at  
380 with the federal government. I do, if you wouldn't mind, Mayor, I would like to put Councilman  
381 Crear's mind at ease with regard to outdoor smoking. There's no outdoor consumption unless they  
382 get a specific waiver from this Council. So you will get a chance to address outdoor smoking when  
383 it comes before you.

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385 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

386 Thank you. I think that clarity is important. So if there are no other questions, comments, yes, I'm  
387 going to open public comment. We'll start with the cards. Yes, Councilwoman Brune.

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389 **COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE**

390 Thank you. Just a clarifying question. We are requiring a review after the period of one year,  
391 correct?

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393 **SETH FLOYD**

394 Yes. So Seth Floyd for the Mayor, I mean for the Councilwoman. So yes, we are — one thing that  
395 was added in the last version of the draft is we removed the neighbor consent requirement and  
396 instead added a one-year required review. That's something, as Jim will tell you, that the Planning  
397 Commission or Council often adds to application even if it's not in code. If they want to look at  
398 something or they're worried about the unintended consequences of those or the secondary effects,  
399 you can look at those after the year period. We're just putting it in the code so that it's required, and  
400 those applicants will be required to come back and have you review their operation and make sure

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401 everything is going okay. And just also to add to that, at that time, you would have three options  
402 under our zoning code. You can just approve the review and they move on business as usual. You  
403 can add conditions if there are issues with outdoor smoking or other things that can be mitigated  
404 with condition. You can add conditions, or you can revoke the special use permit at that time  
405 following the procedure in our code.

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407 **MAYOR GOODMAN**  
408 Okay. So at this point let's hear from the public. Let's hear first from Sarah Collins. And then we'll  
409 hear from Timothy Ado. And so, please, if you will, and if everyone that just presented, will you stay  
410 nearby in case we need a response. Are you Miss Collins? Please come forward and pick a mic and  
411 watch for the red light. And then let's have Mr. Timothy Ado I think it is. Pardon?

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413 **TIMOTHY ELI ADDO**

414 Eli Addo  
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416 **MAYOR GOODMAN**  
417 Eli Addo? Okay. I can't read the writing. Oh, there it is, two names. Got it. Please go ahead. And  
418 your light is not on. And we'll have everybody just get in line and we can move. And let's  
419 everybody stick to one minute, please.

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421 **SARAH COLLINS**  
422 Good morning, Mayor.

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424 **MAYOR GOODMAN**  
425 Good morning.

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427 **SARAH COLLINS**  
428 And good morning, Council Members. My name is Sarah Collins. I'm a co-owner of Main Street  
429 Peddlers Antique Mall. I'm opposed to cannabis lounges randomly placed in the Arts District

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430 mostly because of the effect these establishments will have on the rents we merchants and artists  
431 pay. I understand that cannabis is big business, making big money, and I fear for the little guy. I  
432 see a future where the Arts District will be the Arts District in name only. All of us merchants  
433 and artists will be displaced as people with bigger pockets buy our establishments. We who don't  
434 own our buildings are at the mercy of our landlords, and there's no hope for our leases when  
435 cannabis big money come sniffing around Main Street. Outdoor consumption. Also I would like  
436 to speak up for the millions of people who don't consume cannabis and who find the idea of pot  
437 clouds offensive in the places that they shop.

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439 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

440 Thank you very much. That was a minute. Thank you. Thank you very much. Thank you for  
441 coming down. Yes, sir. Please, your name, if you would, and then we'll start the clock.

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443 **TIMOTHY ELI ADDO**

444 Greetings. Good morning, Madam Mayor and City Council. My name is Timothy Eli Addo. I am  
445 — I was a social equity applicant who was not — I guess I wasn't, I didn't meet the lottery  
446 requirement. I didn't win the lottery. I just wanted to — I'm here to basically — my, I guess my,  
447 to raise awareness to not derail the purpose of how we started this industry to begin with. I know  
448 there's a lot of people, Council members sitting today that were not present when this started, and  
449 Madam Mayor you can attest to this, that when we started this whole vision was unfortunately  
450 those that are advocating for the Amsterdam model have not been in the industry long enough to  
451 know that the Amsterdam model has been a failing model, so we do not advocate for the  
452 Amsterdam model to begin with. It was all about medical. So excluding the Medical District  
453 from this conversation I think —

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455 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

456 Thank you.

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457 **TIMOTHY ELI ADDO**

458 — it's extremely regressive to what we started. Thank you.

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460 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

461 Thank you. And if you want to get in line, because we're doing this only for a minute at this  
462 point because if there are needs for a response, I want to hear from staff. We have Ms. Goines  
463 and Mr. Rutledge and Ms. Lee and Mr. Cooks. So in any order, if you would, just be waiting.  
464 And you can watch the monitor. And I ask you when you take the microphone, keep an eye on  
465 the time. There will be a little beep to let you know you have 15 seconds left. So make sure to  
466 say your name, and we will not charge you part of the timing on your name.

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468 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

469 Okay, ma'am. Hi.

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471 **A'ESHA GOINS**

472 Good morning. I'm A'asha Goins, Vice President of the NAACP. I'm concerned about the 1,000  
473 square-foot distance separation. The idea sounds a lot like redlining, especially since it's the first  
474 time persons who were most impacted by the war on drugs are being offered an opportunity to do  
475 business in the cannabis industry. Nevada unlike other states has very few cannabis real estate  
476 options because of the distance restrictions in the State law. The extra 1,000 feet distance separation  
477 between lounges is a larger factor in choosing location. However, my largest concern is how will  
478 the proposed waivers affect the impacted licensees. I'm not saying who will have a better chance at  
479 receiving a waiver, but history has shown that anytime there is an exception made, the people with  
480 the most influence or money are the ones benefiting. I realize the City has elected to give a steep  
481 discount to the impacted licensees, but I want to remind the Council that discounts still mean they  
482 will have some money — they will have to put out some money. Many of the social equity  
483 licensees have had to be extremely creative with finding funds, including partnering with investors  
484 with unrealistic expectations because there isn't any money available to the licensees. I'd like you to  
485 imagine a front door to a new house and in the yard there is an old refrigerator —

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486 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

487 Thank you.

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489 **A’ESHA GOINS**

490 — broken washing machine and a dryer, a used toilet, and dead animals.

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492 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

493 Thank you so much. Thank you. Good morning.

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495 **SCOTT RUTLEDGE**

496 Good morning. Scott Rutledge for the record, R-U-T-L-E-D-G-E. First, I just want to thank the

497 Mayor and Council for the time you put into this and your staff. Having worked on the social use

498 venue ordinance going back to 2018, I know how much time and thought has been put into this

499 by the staff. And so seriously, kudos to all of you. I also wanted to say thank you for continuing

500 to allow for public feedback over the last few weeks. I know I've spoken with a number of the

501 stakeholders that did not have a chance to participate because they did not know when they were

502 going to get the licenses till after those initial round of public meetings. So we appreciate that.

503 We are in an experimental phase here, and so I can appreciate the one-year review, especially for

504 the outdoor smoking. I know there are some mixed feelings about that. But I have been to some

505 of these venues in West Hollywood, where they do allow it, and I've talked to business licensing

506 there and they have found ways to mitigate that. Certainly we'll be available to answer any

507 additional questions to all of you if you have more thoughts about this after today. Thank you.

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509 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

510 Thank you, Mr. Rutledge.

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512 **CHANDLER COOKS**

513 Good morning.

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514 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

515 Good morning.

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517 **CHANDLER COOKS**

518 My name is Chandler Cooks. My comments today are in advocacy of the social equity applicants  
519 who have been awarded a cannabis consumption lounge license, myself included. As we've all  
520 witnessed, the Nevada cannabis industry is rapidly growing, and it's imperative that this Council  
521 ensures that each social equity applicant has equitable access to the opportunities this industry  
522 provides. A serious issue with the drafted language is that it was not in collaboration with the  
523 actual licensees. Over the past two weeks, myself and other social equity applicants have been  
524 scrambling to understand these inaccessible regulations. I ask that you give privilege to social  
525 equity applicants when it comes to opening and operating. This can help create a more equitable  
526 industry. Allow me to provide some steps I believe can be taken to assure this industry is  
527 accessible to social equity applicants. Offer social equity applicants first right of refusal on real  
528 estate. Ease the barriers to entry by significantly lowering the fees on social equity applicants,  
529 and consider creating a pool of funds accessible to social equity applicants. Thank you.

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531 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

532 Thank you. Mr. Cooks, if you'd wait one second. Crislove, could I have you come back up and  
533 respond about the classes? I want everybody who is in this grouping of applicants to hear and  
534 maybe Darcy — Well, everybody can come up and have a comment. But I just want to be  
535 assured that everybody knows your willingness to help and monitor and do it. So please.

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537 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

538 Absolutely. Crislove Igeleke, Deputy City Attorney for the record. There was a class that we did  
539 help the cannabis consumption lounge prospective owners with early on. This was prior to  
540 drafting the ordinance. A'asha Goins, who was over that program, had reached out to our office  
541 about having someone come out and just kind of explain the general steps for becoming a  
542 business owner. And that was a class that I did present on at their location in the Historic

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543 Westside. That was, as I noted, prior to the ordinance being drafted. So we really were only able  
544 to provide feedback as far as what it looks like to get a license, what the special use permit is  
545 about. But I know Darcy has done several outreaches since then, so she can kind of speak to that  
546 point.

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548 **DARCY ADELBAI-HURD**

549 Yes. And yesterday when we met Mr. Cooks, we did offer him and to his students, who are also  
550 awardees of the social equity licenses, to reach out and we are more than happy to offer step-by-  
551 step instruction on to get licensed in the city of Las Vegas.

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553 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

554 And how would you like those who are interested and part of that particular applicant group to  
555 reach you to ask? Is it through an email? Do you want to give them a phone number? What is —

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557 **DARCY ADELBAI-HURD**

558 Yeah, We can — For the licensing, you can send us an email at [license@lasvegasnevada.gov](mailto:license@lasvegasnevada.gov).

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560 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

561 [license@lasvegasnevada.gov](mailto:license@lasvegasnevada.gov).

562

563 **DARCY ADELBAI-HURD**

564 [license@lasvegasnevada.gov](mailto:license@lasvegasnevada.gov). And we will set up time. We can do one-on-one, or we can set up  
565 a big session with everybody at one time.

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567 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

568 Thank you. And?

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570 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

571 And I also have business cards on me for anyone that's available today and would be glad to sit

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572 down or walk through, you know, what the legal terms mean.

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574 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

575 In our Legal Department?

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577 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

578 Absolutely. The Legal team is all on board to help with that as well.

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580 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

581 So this is really an exciting and forward step I think for the city and certainly open arms and  
582 helping, but saying this is a first step. And so we want to get up. We want to get operative. And  
583 boy, Councilman Crear nailed it and everybody else, we know what a great staff we have. So thank  
584 you. And Mr. Cooks, thank you very much.

585

586 **CHANDLER COOKS**

587 Thank you.

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589 **CRISLOVE IGELEKE**

590 Thank you.

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592 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

593 Next, please.

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595 **RACHEL LEE**

596 Good morning. Am I able to put a slide here? I don't know how to do that.

597

598 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

599 Do you want to pull the microphone down?

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600 **RACHEL LEE**

601 Sure.

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603 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

604 Perfect.

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606 **RACHEL LEE**

607 Thank you so much and good morning, Madam Mayor.

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609 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

610 Good morning.

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612 **RACHEL LEE**

613 Oh, thank you. So real quick because I have one minute.

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615 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

616 And your name, please.

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618 **RACHEL LEE**

619 My name is Rachel Lee, and my company is Sunflower Compassionate Company.

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621 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

622 Hold one sec, please. Ma'am?

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624 **RACHEL LEE**

625 Sure.

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627 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER**

628 Shoot it up a little more.

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629 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

630 Shoot it up a little?

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632 **RACHEL LEE**

633 There?

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635 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

636 Is that good?

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638 **RACHEL LEE**

639 Okay.

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641 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

642 Okay. Go for it

643

644 **RACHEL LEE**

645 Shortly after the – City meeting on February 26th, I was sent an article that read. The words that

646 stood out to me the most was so-called social equity applicant. I began to think about what took

647 place in my life that landed me in this position. So I wanted to share to anyone who were

648 thinking that this was some sort of made-up opportunity. Here lies the arrest record when I was

649 arrested in '94 of drug trafficking, and I never sold drugs in my life. Shortly after that arrest,

650 while I was attending high school to finish up my high school diploma, I went and applied for a

651 job and lost that job a couple of days after, four days after. The next location, I lost that job

652 another four days after. A company, a casino, started on the 19th, lost that on the 22nd. On the

653 17th I started a job, lost that on the 17th. I went away to California and stayed there for 12

654 months or more, looking to be a radiologist. And I completed that radiology course. After 12

655 months, I was called into the counseling office and told that I was not able to continue with my

656 state board exam. So that led me into addiction and depression and a whole bunch of other

657 things. I was also garnished. But the best thing of all of this is that I received a certification in the

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658 cannabis field, and I started a non-profit organization as well. I am with CEIC, and that  
659 organization has helped me get to this point. I also wanted to mention —

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661 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

662 Thank you. Thank you. I wish and what I would suggest perhaps you just maybe you want to  
663 submit what you've written so clearly there to the Clerk?

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665 **RACHEL LEE**

666 The Clerk?

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668 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

669 Right here. We can make a copy of it and give it back to you.

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671 **RACHEL LEE**

672 Sure. Thank you.

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674 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

675 But I'm not sure if you need your own private attorney or have it. But good for you and thank  
676 you that you're helping others.

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678 **RACHEL LEE**

679 Thank you. I appreciate you. Thank you.

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681 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

682 We appreciate it. Thank you. Okay.

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683 **JENNIFER LAZOVICH**

684 Good morning.

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686 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

687 Good morning.

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689 **JENNIFER LAZOVICH**

690 Jennifer Lazovich, 1980 Festival Plaza Drive. I wanted to just thank the City for working on the  
691 amendments that are, have been described in the proposed Second Amendment today. It  
692 addressed some of the issues that were raised during the Recommending Committee, and we  
693 appreciate the flexibility and the efforts to address some of those issues. And we support the  
694 proposed Second Amendment. Thank you.

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696 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

697 Thank you very much. Okay. We have Mr. Padilla, Mr. Kasoff, Mr. Baranowski, and Cristina  
698 Ulman. So be please be ready to come up. Thank you very much.

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700 **BRI PADILLA**

701 Good morning.

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703 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

704 Good morning.

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706 **BRIANNA PADILLA**

707 My name is Brianna Padilla, Bri Padilla, B-R-I P-A-D-I-L-L-A. I serve as the Executive Director  
708 for the Chamber of Cannabis. I'm a Nevada resident of more than 13 years, and I've been an  
709 advocate and leader in the industry for more than six. Just a couple weeks ago myself and a  
710 group of my chamber colleagues [inaudible 00:39:20] to request that Council members pause  
711 your vote on the presented ordinances and allow for our industry to provide context and insight

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712 to the concerns, most specifically the delays and operational difficulties caused by the 1,000  
713 square foot, 1,000-foot distance requirements even with the waiver options as the proposed  
714 process, as the processes proposed by staff would take two to four months, as well as concerns  
715 surrounding the proposed licensing fee schedules, specifically renewals tied to gross revenue.  
716 To provide some context, our industry has seen prices surrounding cannabis products drop  
717 significantly, combined with like a 10 percent to 30 percent discount for products as a standard at  
718 every retailer. Despite that, lounges will be forced to purchase single-use products through a retailer  
719 at an elevated cost. As such, tying the renewal licensing fees to that number is not truly reflective of  
720 the cost incurred by just simply opening doors. Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the challenge and  
721 thank the Council members and their staff for all of the work today. We are inviting a new business  
722 type into our city, and while the industry has done an incredible job at keeping cannabis safe,  
723 compliant, and consistent, there are hurdles.

724

725 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

726 Thank you very much. Thank you. Boy, you did that quickly. And sir, we're ready for you. And you are?

727

728 **JOSH KASOFF**

729 My name is Josh Kasoff. I'm with the Chamber of Cannabis. I'm an advocate and journalist in town.  
730 So among many rules, the 1,000-foot rule needs to be amended to be more similar to bars on  
731 Fremont and the Strip. The Nevada cannabis industry has gone through several recent hardships. So  
732 these consumption lounges would be a great new stream of revenue and employment opportunities  
733 for an industry that has already gone through plenty of roadblocks and continues to face  
734 disadvantages compared to other industries in Nevada. There's about 18,000 people employed in the  
735 Nevada cannabis industry, and these lounges would definitely bring significant job creation as well  
736 as further revenue to this industry. This could be vital for this industry that's still going through  
737 various hardships and may continue do so in the upcoming years. So thank you.

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738 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

739 Thank you. Goodness, you've got 23 seconds. No, no, go, go, go, go. Come on. All right. Thank  
740 you.

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742 **JOSH KASOFF**

743 So the chicken crossed the road. Okay.

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745 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

746 Okay. Thank you. No, appreciate it. Cristina.

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748 **DANI BARANOWSKI**

749 Good morning, Madam Mayor and Councilwomen and men. My name is Dani Baranowski, D-  
750 A-N-I B-A-R-A-N-O-W-S-K-I. That took up 30 seconds. Can I get 30 extra? I'm just kidding.

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752 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

753 Don't count that. Okay.

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755 **DANI BARANOWSKI**

756 I am a co-founder of the Chamber of Cannabis, a consumer, and I am also a former felon. I  
757 received two cannabis felonies when I was 18 years old. I did make my way through the federal  
758 justice system, and I want to make sure that we are blazing trails for those coming behind me and  
759 making sure that they don't have unnecessary hardships. So thank you for amending these  
760 opportunities for social equity applicants. I also urge the Council when these waivers and special  
761 use permits do come to the floor, that we do consider the economic opportunity that these  
762 lounges are going to create. It's the innovation of our industry. The entire world is watching us.  
763 I do think that the outdoor consumption mitigation is possible. I don't think it would make sense  
764 to remove it completely. Combustion and vaporization are two very different things, and  
765 considering we live in Las Vegas where you can smoke cigarettes inside, I do think this is again  
766 one unnecessary way, one unnecessary regulation that will hurt business opportunities and to

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767 think carefully. Thank you very much.

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769 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

770 Thank you. Bingo, you did it right down to four seconds. Thank you. Okay. And we have

771 Cristina?

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773 **CRISTINA ULMAN**

774 Yes. Good morning, Madam. Good morning, Council. Folks, this meeting has been incredibly —

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776 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

777 Wait, your name.

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779 **CRISTINA ULMAN**

780 Sorry. My name is Cristina Ulman, C-R-I-S-T-I-N-A U-L-M-A-N.

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782 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

783 Thank you.

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785 **CRISTINA ULMAN**

786 I'm the President and co-founder of the Chamber of Cannabis and a valued member of this

787 community for 15 years. Just wanted to say this meeting has been incredibly inspiring to see all

788 the people here contributing to humanity and the growth of our city. The Chamber and its

789 members actually financially supports and physically supports both the Obodo Collection, the

790 Caridad Group, and the union just became members two weeks ago. So we want you to know

791 how everyone is working so well together, and we want to continue to grow this industry.

792 I come with a message of reassurance. If you are happy with how the cannabis industry has been

793 going for the last six years and you've seen the stigmas and stereotypes being overcome with

794 organizations like the Chamber and CEIC and other industry professionals, we want to reassure

795 you that we plan on doing that with these consumption venues. We plan on building, yes, mostly

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796 the Arts District and the Westside with these new venues so that we can draw in not just tourists  
797 but people from our city. And it's not going to be a cloud of smoke. People are already doing  
798 that, Councilman Crear. You know that. They're all smoking on the Strip. They're smoking on  
799 Main Street. So instead this just allows having the regulation in one place. We thank you so  
800 much for your time.

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802 **MAYOR GOODMAN**  
803 Thank you. Thank you. Okay. And we still — Thomas needs to go back to school and write his  
804 last name so I can read it.

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806 **THOMAS LIOLIOS**

807 We type now.

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809 **MAYOR GOODMAN**  
810 Oh, that would help. And your last — well, your name, please.

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812 **THOMAS LIOLIOS**

813 Thomas Liolios.

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815 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

816 Oh.

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818 **THOMAS LIOLIAS**  
819 I'm a talent acquisition professional and market research study. The first issue I want to stress is  
820 the 1,000-foot distance barrier. There's a reason all the car companies are on the same street.  
821 There's a reason all the hotels are on Las Vegas Boulevard. You inhibit the ability for them to be  
822 successful by forcing them to separate or you cause undue challenges. In regards to the smell and  
823 kind of what's going on, there are 30 million smokers of tobacco products in the U.S. There are  
824 70 million cannabis consumers. This state has very unique laws for the smokers unlike any other

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825 ones. It should be at the forefront of making unique laws tailoring to these 70 million cannabis  
826 users. If 10 percent of them came for one extra trip to Las Vegas a year because they could  
827 support cannabis, that would be a 25 percent increase in total visitors from last year. A lot of  
828 money to be had.

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830 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

831 Thank you. Thank you. And so we have Jason Greninger. Good morning.

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833 **JASON GRENINGER**

834 Good morning. Thank you. I just want to say thank you for what you're doing and working with  
835 these cannabis lounges and —

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837 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

838 My name is?

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840 **JASON GRENINGER**

841 My name is Jason Greninger, G-R-E-N-I-N-G-E-R.

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843 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

844 Thank you.

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846 **JASON GRENINGER**

847 And I just want to support the changes and amendments and process, what we've achieved here  
848 today. I can come here intending to make more concern about the 1,000 foot. I'm happy to see  
849 that there changes to add that waiver and process. Thank you.

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851 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

852 Thank you. Well, this is a work in action I'll tell you going forward, so thank you. Anyone else? I  
853 can't believe it. That is our fire marshal. See and I thought we escaped. Goodness gracious. Will

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854 you defer to this gentleman first?

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856 **PAUL MURAD**

857 Yeah, I defer to him.

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859 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

860 Okay. Yes, because you are going to be the summation, but still with a minute. Please come  
861 forward.

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863 **KURT DREGER**

864 My name is Kurt Dreger, and I defer my minute to Paul.

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866 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

867 Oh, how generous of you. Thank you. If you'll give us your card.

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869 **PAUL MURAD**

870 Thank you.

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872 **KURT DREGER**

873 You're welcome.

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875 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

876 He's never done anything in two minutes. This is going to be very interesting. Your name is?

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878 **PAUL MURAD**

879 Yes, Paul Murad, 930 South Third Street, Las Vegas, Nevada. Mayor and Council people, I'm  
880 just one of many voices concerned about the ordinance the way it's presented right now or the  
881 way it's been drafted. I represent a number of property owners that have been investing in  
882 Downtown Las Vegas for well over a decade and invested a lot of capital in order to make this a

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883 better area. And that's our concern. I personally don't have any interest and stake in any of the  
884 lounges. But we want to see a successful downtown, and we want this industry to succeed  
885 because of the unique opportunity it has for downtown. People in 1931 thought maybe it was a  
886 crazy idea to have gambling in the desert. In 2016, they maybe thought that ice hockey in the  
887 desert was not a good idea. But in looking back, it was a genius idea.

888 You have an opportunity in front of you to not have unnecessary barriers with a 1,000-foot  
889 distance separation. You have an opportunity to just reduce the fees to what they are for other  
890 businesses, like wedding chapels, for example, to \$400, \$500. It's easy as one of you on this  
891 Council making the motion right now. And I had a confirmation of that from your attorney  
892 yesterday in a meeting with the Mayor. Any one of you can be that progressive, paradigm-  
893 shifting person that changes that because currently you always look at another city, another  
894 jurisdiction, but you don't have to do that. You can actually lead the way. You can listen to your  
895 constituents. Constituents have been trying to speak to you. And instead of saying, well, we want  
896 to do it like Clark County, or we want to do it like the city of Phoenix, you can do something  
897 based on what people like myself, like the property owners that I represent, like the stakeholders,  
898 and social equity applicants that are asking you to do this. And you can do it without having to  
899 defer or refer to other cities and municipalities. This is a unique opportunity to change a  
900 paradigm, and Las Vegas could be at the forefront and other cities will look at Vegas instead of  
901 you following someone else. I have concern about the process. This ordinance, I just got a copy  
902 of it late yesterday, and it wasn't available, I think it's still not available online in its current state.  
903 So this ordinance is not available for the public, for the stakeholders to review and read the  
904 details of it. The stakeholders meetings, I was repeatedly asking for them to be hybrid, and they  
905 were not hybrid forever until just last week because we asked for it at the last City Council. I  
906 repeatedly asked the staff. They didn't do that. For the first time, I introduced the equity license  
907 holders to the staff and to many of you Council people. They should have been involved from the  
908 very beginning. I've been speaking to Councilwoman Diaz since last summer. I tried to start  
909 talking to Mr. Floyd since last October. And none of the recommendations, suggestions that we  
910 were bringing on behalf of the property owners were incorporated in this bill whatsoever.

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911 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

912 Thank you.

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914 **PAUL MURAD**

915 Neither the special use permit shelf life, which is only 90 days —

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917 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

918 Thank you.

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920 **PAUL MURAD**

921 — instead of two years like everything else. Neither the parking. For example, there's a parking

922 requirement for these lounges.

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924 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

925 Thank you very much. And those are things, this is the beginning. So there's going to be plenty

926 of time going forward. However, I would like to ask Mr. Lewis or Ms. Crislove or Mr. Floyd or

927 Mr. Scott when and if this will be online for anyone, this ordinance. The notification, I know we

928 have a process here through which the City must go, assuming whatever happens with the vote.

929

930 **SETH FLOYD**

931 Yes. So thank you, Mayor. So with the agenda item, there should be a backup copy. Now what

932 has happened in this case, when Darcy walked through the outline, there were some last-minute

933 changes that we did make in conversation with Mr. Murad and some of the other comments that

934 we heard. And so it takes the City Attorney's Office a bit of time to turn that around into a draft,

935 into a Second Amendment. But I will say Paul actually got his draft before I saw mine because

936 he got it yesterday in a meeting.

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938 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

939 See how important you are?

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940 **SETH FLOYD**

941 And I hadn't even seen it at that point yet. So we do try to get these out as quickly as we can. But  
942 if you vote on the Second Amendment, for example, the \$1,500, the reduction of the social  
943 equity applicant fee, that's something that came up just this morning. So there's not going to be a  
944 draft copy of that until the bill is published on Sunday.

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946 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

947 Okay.

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949 **SETH FLOYD**

950 So that's when the final, final version with all of your changes will be available.

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952 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

953 Meaning published how and where?

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955 **SETH FLOYD**

956 I'll defer to the City Attorney on that.

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958 **JIM LEWIS**

959 Mayor, if I may, what happens is —

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961 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

962 And you are?

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964 **JIM LEWIS**

965 This is Jim Lewis with the City Attorney's Office. Thank you very much, Mayor. What happens  
966 today is if this bill is approved, it gets published in the paper, and that's going to happen on  
967 Sunday. Once published, it's effective. This law is effective.

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968 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

969 And then it's online through City of Las Vegas?

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971 **JIM LEWIS**

972 That's a very practical question that I don't have the answer to. But I believe the answer is if it's  
973 not Monday, then shortly thereafter.

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975 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

976 I'm looking to our Public Information Office Director.

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978 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER**

979 We can do whatever you'd like, Mayor.

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981 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

982 Oh, wow. So as soon as it's published in the paper, we'll get it online as soon as we can  
983 thereafter. So for all of you who might be watching and tuning in, it will be there, depending  
984 upon what the vote is. And so are there any other questions, comments? I'm going to turn to  
985 Mayor Pro Tem, who chairs our Recommending Committee. And thank you all for coming  
986 down. And City staff, you are the best. You are the best. Thank you.

987

988 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

989 Thank you, Madam Mayor. And I just wanted to point out, again, Darcy, Jim Lewis, Crislove, Mr.  
990 Steed, who I don't see but, and Mr. Floyd who have all worked tirelessly over the last it seems like  
991 many, many years now to bring this to fruition, and then for the advocates who stood up and supported  
992 and engaged. I think that's the best way the government works is everybody working together. For your  
993 tireless patience, Darcy, I appreciate it. And so with that, Madam Mayor, I made a First Amendment. I  
994 think maybe it's helpful to put that chart back up just so everyone is clear. I made a First Amendment in  
995 Recommending Committee. Councilwoman Diaz improved upon the amendment with a Second  
996 Amendment and also lowered the fee to \$1,500 for the social equity applicants. **And so with the First**

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997 **Amendment, the better amendment from Councilwoman Diaz, I would move to approve.**

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999 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1000 With, oh, a Second Amendment because this still if people —

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1002 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1003 **With the Proposed Second Amendment.**

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1005 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1006 Okay.

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1008 **JEFF DOROCAK**

1009 And what about the lowered cost and the social equity?

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1011 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1012 That's what I'm talking about.

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1014 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1015 Yes, and it was lowered to \$1,500 —

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1017 **JEFF DOROCAK**

1018 Okay.

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1020 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1021 — as presented by staff.

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1023 **JEFF DOROCAK**

1024 Correct.

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1025 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1026 So this number on the screen is not the final one, \$1,500. And that's it?

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1028 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1029 I hope so.

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1031 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1032 Are we all in concert here that we are in the right process?

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1034 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1035 All of the cats have been herded?

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1037 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1038 Okay. We thank everybody who's participated. And there are no more problems? Okay. We vote.

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1040 **SETH FLOYD**

1041 Mayor, Seth Floyd, real quick. Just for the Clerk's benefit, so it is — what you're voting on is the

1042 Second Amendment with the one addition to the Second Amendment of the fee dropping from

1043 \$2,500 to \$1,500.

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1045 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1046 To \$1,500.

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1048 **COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN**

1049 Yes, as proposed by Councilwoman Diaz.

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1051 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1052 Perfect. Okay. As proposed. So please vote. And please post. **(Motion carried unanimously).**

1053 Thank you all. I know Mr. Cervantes is going give you all a week's vacation for your hard work.

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1054 Thank you all. Great job. Public, thank you for your support. This is the beginning. Okay.

1055 **(END OF DISCUSSION)**