



## Recommending Committee Minutes

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS KNUDSEN and ALLEN-PALENSKE

EXCUSED: COUNCILWOMAN SEAMAN

ALSO PRESENT: CHIEF OPERATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TOM PERRIGO, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY VAL STEED, CITY CLERK LUANN D. HOLMES, and DEPUTY CITY CLERK BRIAN CARROLL

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. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the June 5, 2023 Recommending Committee Meeting

Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve

Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske; Excused-Victoria Seaman;

4. Bill No. 2023-14 - For possible action - Amends LVMC Chapter 4.24 regarding the residential construction tax for park construction to update the provisions for determining the amount of the tax for each residential dwelling unit. Proposed by: Jorge Cervantes, City Manager

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing open.

MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, Deputy Building and Safety Director and Building Official, explained that residential construction tax (RCT) fees are collected when building permits are issued, and the fees are used to fund park upgrades. This bill proposed changing the fee from \$.36 per square foot to one percent of the stated valuation or \$1,000, whichever is less, which would follow State law.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN confirmed with MR. CUNNINGHAM that this was in line with other jurisdictions in

Southern Nevada. MR. CUNNINGHAM advised that Clark County adopted the change in 2019 and it was also adopted by the City of Henderson. The Councilman asked for examples on how money was spent towards parks. MR. CUNNINGHAM stated that funds could be used towards upgrading and replacing park equipment and adding modifications to bring parks up-to-date. CHIEF OPERATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TOM PERRIGO noted that RCT funds need to have a nexus between where the money is generated and where it is spent. He clarified that permit fees generated within a specific ward need to be applied towards park projects within that ward. This ensures that new projects contribute to providing recreational amenities. COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN advised that City staff works with Councilmembers to decide how RCT funds are allocated towards parks. MR. PERRIGO confirmed that they review the RCT funding balance when the capital improvement plan is prepared and input is received from Councilmembers and City departments. The Councilman asked if input was received by the development community. MR. CUNNINGHAM said he mentioned it to the NCA (Nevada Contractors Association) and at the Home Builders Association's monthly meetings. Further, he stated that they reached out to apartment developers, and an industry notice was sent to everyone signed up for membership industry announcements. COUNCILWOMAN ALLEN-PALENSKE questioned if any feedback was received, and MR. CUNNINGHAM responded that they wanted time to account for the additional fee and asked that it be applied consistently. He explained there would be a six-month effective date that would apply to future projects if the bill moves forward for adoption, and the fee would apply towards the customer-stated valuation. COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN confirmed with MR. CUNNINGHAM that the fee would be in place six months after the bill is adopted at the July 19, 2023 City Council Meeting.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing closed and announced subsequent to the vote that this bill would be eligible for adoption at the City Council Meeting of July 19, 2023.

Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass

Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske; Excused-Victoria Seaman;

5. Bill No. 2023-15 - For possible action - Authorizes, on a temporary basis, the waiver of business license application fees for certain types of new alcoholic beverage licenses for qualifying businesses to be located within a downtown area referred to as Las Vegas Brewery Row. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Olivia Diaz

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing open.

SETH FLOYD, Community Development Director, explained that this bill would extend an existing program to offer incentives to future breweries within Brewery Row. He said the program is administered by EUD (Economic and Urban Development Department) and the fee and Waiver is imposed by the Business License Division. CHIEF OPERATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TOM PERRIGO advised that the program was created to promote Brewery Row and help new businesses alleviate upfront fees. He believed extending the program would help new businesses get started.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN confirmed with PETER LOWENSTEIN, Deputy Planning Director, that the bill would extend the program to May 19, 2025. The Councilman requested an e-mailed report on Waiver usage be provided to Councilmembers every six months.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing closed and announced subsequent to the vote that this bill would be eligible for adoption at the City Council Meeting of July 19, 2023.

Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass

Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske; Excused-Victoria Seaman;

6. Citizens Participation: Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee. No subject may be acted upon by the Committee 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:  
None.

7. Adjournment

Minutes:  
The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Brian Carroll, Deputy City Clerk

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THIS MEETING WAS PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NOTICING STANDARDS AS OUTLINED IN NRS 241.020:

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