



Recommending Committee Minutes

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS KNUDSEN and ALLEN-PALENSKE

ALSO PRESENT: DEPUTY CITY MANAGER SABRA NEWBY, CITY ATTORNEY JEFF DOROCAK, CHIEF DEPUTY CITY CLERK JACQUIE MILLER and ASSISTANT DEPUTY CITY CLERK CHEYENNE LARANCE

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; and the Nevada Public Notice website - notice.nv.gov.

3. Public Comment: Comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters on the agenda for action. If you wish to be heard, come forward 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:

None.

4. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the June 30, 2025 Recommending Committee Meeting

Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

5. Bill No. 2025-17 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Building Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing open for Items 5-14.

MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, Deputy Community Development Director, and SHERRI SHOUP, Assistant Fire Chief, utilized a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was submitted and attached as backup, to present the proposed changes to various 2024 code regulations. These amendments include: maintaining the definition of a high-rise building; continue using the 2009 Accessibility Standard; allowing hydro-mechanical interceptors without the need for an AMMR (Alternate Materials and Methods Request); prescriptive requirements for adult changing tables; removing slab edge insulation; requiring additional horizontal reinforcement for free-standing retaining walls; and a modified exemption for fire sprinklers within public utility buildings.

Speaking to the significant fire code changes, MS. SHOUP said various chapters would be amended to: require fire protection reports to be submitted with construction documents for more building types; broaden the requirement for Fire Operational Permits to include more occupancies and hazard types; require fire protection system deficiencies and impairments to be reported and uploaded to a third-party platform; implement a new guide for Emergency Responder Communications Enhancement Systems permitting, testing and recertification; and create new standardized guidelines for building smoke control installation.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN acknowledged the significant impact these changes have on the building industry and said the City performed a business impact statement. MR. CUNNINGHAM confirmed, noting that the process started two years ago and no responses were filed. He said there have been several meetings with various industry experts, and these changes are in line with other jurisdictions in the valley.

COUNCILWOMAN ALLEN-PALENSKE wondered if the City should explore other ways to communicate with the industry because business impact statements do not seem to generate any dialogue. The Councilwoman also inquired about the last time fees were increased, to which MS. SHOUP responded 20 years.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing closed for Items 5-14 and announced after each vote that these bills would be eligible for adoption at the July 16, 2025 City Council meeting.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

6. Bill No. 2025-18 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

7. Bill No. 2025-19 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Existing Building Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

8. Bill No. 2025-20 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Energy Conservation Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

9. Bill No. 2025-21 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development
Minutes:
See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.
Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass
Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;
10. Bill No. 2025-22 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the Uniform Mechanical Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development
Minutes:
See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.
Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass
Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;
11. Bill No. 2025-23 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development
Minutes:
See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.
Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass
Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;
12. Bill No. 2025-24 - For possible action - Adopts the 2023 Edition of the National Electrical Code, together with local amendments thereto. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development
Minutes:
See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.
Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass
Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;
13. Bill No. 2025-25 - For possible action - Adopts as the City's Fire Code the International Fire Code, 2024 Edition, together with local modifications thereto, and repeals LVMC Chapter 16.18 relating to emergency radio coverage. Proposed by: Fernando Gray, Chief of Fire and Rescue
Minutes:
See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.
Motion made by Francis Allen-Palenske to Approve as Do Pass
Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0
For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;
14. Bill No. 2025-26 - For possible action - Adopts the 2024 Edition of the International Wildland-Urban Interface Code, together with amendments thereto. Proposed by: Fernando Gray, Chief of Fire and Rescue

Minutes:

See Item 5 for related discussion and backup.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

15. Bill No. 2025-27 - For possible action - Amends LVMC 6.09.010 to update provisions regarding landlord training programs. Proposed by: Seth T. Floyd, Director of Community Development

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing open.

PETER LOWENSTEIN, Deputy Community Development Director, reported that this bill removed specific reference to Metro's (Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department) Las Vegas Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. CITY ATTORNEY JEFF DOROCK confirmed this was only a technical update, and although Metro will rename the program within the next year, staff still recommends passage of the bill.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing closed and announced after the vote that this bill would be eligible for adoption at the July 16, 2025, City Council meeting.

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

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

16. Bill No. 2025-28 - For possible action - Amends provisions of LVMC Title 11 related to the use of electric bicycles and electric scooters, amends provisions of LVMC Title 13 related to the use of electric bicycles and electric scooters in City parks and adds penalties for violations of various provisions of LVMC Title 11 and Title 13. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Nancy E. Brune

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing open and acknowledged the various members of law enforcement in the audience. He loves the bill; however, he advised that Clark County has a different version of the bill on their website. As such, he requested a two-week abeyance.

COUNCILMAN KNUDSEN declared the Public Hearing closed.

Motion made by Brian Knudsen to Hold in Abeyance to 8/4/2025

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

For-Brian Knudsen, Francis Allen-Palenske;

17. Citizens Participation: Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Recommending Committee. No subject may be acted upon by the Recommending 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.

18. Adjournment

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Cheyenne LaRance, CMC, Assistant Deputy City Clerk

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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