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The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Nevada met in joint regular session with Clark County Water Reclamation District Board of Trustees, in full conformity with law and bylaws of said Boards, at the regular place of meeting in the Commission Chambers, Government Center, Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 9 a.m. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair Segerblom and on roll call, the following members were present, constituting all the members thereof:

## CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS: Tick Segerblom William McCurdy II Jim Gibson Justin Jones Marilyn K. Kirkpatrick Ross Miller Michael Naft

Absent: None

Also Present: Kevin Schiller, County Manager Lisa Logsdon, Deputy District Attorney Lynn Goya, County Clerk Michelle Hinkson, Deputy Clerk Robin Delaney, Deputy Clerk TICK SEGERBLOM Good morning. The Board of County Commissioners meeting will come to order.

Please stand for the invocation. And today, Commissioner Gibson will give the

invocation.

INVOCATION

JIM GIBSON Our Heavenly Father, we're grateful to be gathered here today to do the business of the

people. We're grateful for the remarkable and talented people that we represent that bring their energy to life every day to help move things along in this economy and in this culture. We're mindful of the responsibility that we bear and pray that as we work through the issues today, that will have the capacity to distinguish the good from the bad, and the right from the wrong, and do the things that will best move us forward. We thank thee for all that we have and pray these things humbly in the name of our Savior

and Redeemer, amen.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AUDIENCE I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for

which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

SEGERBLOM Your turn.

## COMMISSIONERS'/COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOGNITION

**ITEM 1** To commemorate April as Arab American Heritage Month, the Board of County Commissioners will acknowledge and honor exceptional citizens and organizations in Clark County.

**ACTION:** Presented as recommended.

KEVIN SCHILLER Good morning, Commissioners. Item 1 is to commemorate April as Arab American

Heritage Month. The Board of County Commissioners will acknowledge and honor exceptional citizens, and organizations in Clark County. Commissioner Jones.

JUSTIN JONES Thank you. Mister Manager. April is Arab American Heritage Month, and this year

we're also celebrating Ramadan. Ramadan Kareem, to all those who are celebrating. Today and every day, we celebrate Arab Americans throughout the past and present, recognize their invaluable contributions to our country. I'd love to bring back Maria Bassil, who will be playing her violin before the meeting, and she's prepared for us a

medley of Middle Eastern music. Please join us in welcoming Maria.

MARIA BASSIL (Plays violin.)

JONES Thank you, Maria, for sharing your talents with us today. That was beautiful.

We're going to recognize some phenomenal men, and women in our community today.

The unique plaques we'll be handing to our honorees are given to us by local

Palestinian, small business owner, Cal Fano. Thank you to Alex Fahima, RJ, and your family for always supporting our community here. We're going to go ahead, and get started with the video, and as your names are called, if you could please step to the side

over there for your special gifts, and your plaques.

**JONES** 

This year, I'm thrilled to join my colleagues in recognizing Arab-American Heritage Month. Arab Americans include many faiths, races, ethnicities, and ancestry in any one of the 22 Arab countries that span Northern Africa to Western Asia. What these diverse countries share most in common is the Arabic language. Currently, there are barriers to researching Middle Eastern and North African populations in the United States. Many people of MENA descent in our country are rendered invisible in the official statistics that researchers rely on for health research and other key studies. Thanks to Assembly Bill 139, led by Assemblywoman Brittany Miller, the only Arab American in the Nevada Legislature, and signed by Governor Joe Lombardo in 2023, state law now requires all government agencies in Nevada that collect demographic information to include a separate category for persons of Middle Eastern or North African descent.

Using this data, we can use these statistics to enhance educational programming, ensure translators are present in our schools, track employment discrimination, and identify hate crimes targeting Arab Americans. From this data, we know that the number of Nevadans who claim Arab ancestry is among the fastest growing populations in the country. We are proud to have a rich and diverse Arab culture here in Clark County. We'll be featuring amazing Arab Americans who call Clark County home. Many are community leaders, business owners, doctors, lawyers, and public servants. Thank you for all you do for Clark County.

AYYA Hospitality Group is a collective of entrepreneurs driven creatives, and visionaries who lead the industry in experiential hospitality. The Naser family founded AYYA to expand their local footprint in hospitality. They have several small businesses in District F and Las Vegas, including Pine Bistro, IVI Performance, Thick and Thin Treat Bar, Mama's Crunchy Delights, and more. Thank you for all you do for our community.

I also have the pleasure of honoring Antonio Papazian, who is the Manager of Clark County Public Works Development Review Division. Antonio, who originates from Armenian and Lebanese descent, has been at Clark County for 22 years, starting as a survey technician. He has played an integral role in processing major projects that include Allegiant Stadium, Durango Casino and Resort, Center Strip Hotel, the Sphere, LVCC Loop, and Formula One, just to name a few. He also led the efforts for Public Works portion of Transform Clark County, the rewrite of the Title 30 Development Code. Every day, Antonio strives to share his knowledge with staff to help ensure a better understanding of all aspects of Clark County, which results in a safer, better community for us all. Thank you, Antonio for all that you do for Clark County, and its residents.

Nezar Filou Domine is the owner, and operator of Hedary's Mediterranean Restaurant, one of the oldest Arab cuisine spots in Clark County, and a District F staple. Hedary's, through Nezar's leadership, provides an excellent Mediterranean dining experience to the local Las Vegas community and continues bring authentic Lebanese dishes to the Spring Valley area. Thank you, Nezar, for bringing a staple to District F, and we're excited to visit you soon.

## **SEGERBLOM**

Today, we celebrate Arab American Heritage Month, and I'm thrilled to recognize Jehan Alsmadi as my distinguished honoree. Jehan, a visionary leader, and compassionate humanitarian, she stands as the embodiment of resilience, and empathy. And from Jordan, an Arabic-speaking country, Jehan ventured to the United States with a fervent desire to make a difference in the lives of those facing adversity. With unwavering determination, she founded Nevada Mercy and Care, a beacon of hope for individuals and families in need. Driven by her profound understanding of the struggles faced by marginalized communities, Jehan set out to transform lives, and pave the path towards self-sufficiency. Drawing upon her extensive experience in varied allied professions and crisis management, she meticulously crafted programs aimed at addressing the multifaceted needs of the vulnerable population in and around Las Vegas. Her tireless efforts have touched the lives of hundreds, if not thousands of individuals, providing them with essential resources, support, and opportunities for a brighter future. Thank you, Jehan, for all you do to better Clark County.

WILLIAM MCCURDY II

It is with great honor and admiration that we honor Arab American Heritage Month. I wanted to take a moment to pay tribute and recognize one of our esteemed community members, Dr. Bassam Al-Owir. Dr. Al-Owir's journey is one of dedication, innovation, and service to both his profession and his community. His achievements stand as a testament to his unwavering commitment to excellence, and his tireless efforts to make a difference in the lives of others. After completing his fellowship at Chicago Medical School in 2003, Dr. Al-Owir made the pivotal decision to relocate to Las Vegas, Nevada, where he embarked on a remarkable journey of leadership and impact. In 2007, Dr. Al-Owir founded Nevada Critical Care Consultants, a pioneering group that has since become a cornerstone of critical care services in the Henderson and Las Vegas metropolitan areas. Under his guidance, the group has flourished, expanding to over 29 dedicated providers who deliver exceptional care to patients in need.

Beyond his achievements in the medical field, Al-Owir's influence extends to academia where he serves as a clinical assistant professor for internal medicine at the University of Nevada School of Medicine, and Touro University. His passion for education, and mentorship has inspired countless aspiring healthcare professionals to strive for excellence in their own careers. Dr. Al-Owir's commitment to his Arab American heritage is equally commendable. He's the founder of the Arab American Medical Association, here in Nevada, providing a platform for healthcare professionals to network, collaborate, and advocate their needs of their community. Additionally, he cofounded the Arab American Chamber of Commerce fostering economic growth and empowerment within the Arab American business community.

In every aspect of his life, Dr. Al-Owir embodies the values of compassion, leadership, and of service. His dedication to improving the lives of others, and his contributions to both the medical, and profession, and the Arab American community are truly remarkable, and deserving of our utmost admiration, and gratitude. As we honor Dr. Bassam Al-Owir during Arab American Heritage month, let us not only celebrate his achievements, but also draw inspiration from his example. Thank you, Dr. Al-Owir, for your outstanding contributions, and unwavering commitment to making the world a better place. Your impact will continue to be felt far and wide, enriching the lives of countless individuals, and leaving an indelible mark on our community and beyond.

MARILYN K. KIRKPATRICK

We'd like to offer congratulations and a special thank you to the Arab American Chamber of Commerce. This month we are recognizing people from the Arab American KIRKPATRICK

culture, and so that is our pick, and we're very excited about it. As many of you know, the Arab American Chamber of Commerce was founded in September of 2011, awarded in 2013 and 2014 to 12 Arab American UNLV students, a total of \$6,000. All students received congressional certificates from the offices of Congressman Dr. Joe Heck. They received a proclamation in 2014 from the Board of County Commissioners signed by all Commissioners and spearheaded by then Chairman Steve Sisolak.

We have held many joint events with the Las Vegas Indian Chamber of Commerce, the Asian Chamber of Commerce, and the Asian-American groups among others. They're the largest Arab American business organization in Nevada, representing our commerce membership while working closely with the city and state civic organizations to promote our businesses, our heritage, and most importantly, our culture. And that's why our choice this year was to recognize the Las Vegas Arab American Chamber of Commerce. We are such a big community. We have over 144 languages, and culture is everything. So, thank you, and congratulations on behalf of District B.

MICHAEL NAFT

I want to thank Commissioner Jones for leading our recognition of Arab American Heritage Month at today's Board meeting. For District A's Honoree, I'm glad to recognize my friend, Dr. John Nassar. John was born in Lebanon and grew up between there and Southern California. He earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from USC and moved to Las Vegas in 2000. With his brother, he has owned and operated Smile Design Center dental offices in Las Vegas and Henderson since 2001. He is also the owner of Tru Bru Organic Coffee, where you will find me most mornings, and Royal Wraps, a Lebanese fast-food restaurant. In total, Dr. Nassar employs nearly 50 people across his multiple businesses here in Southern Nevada. He serves as the president of the church council at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church and is vice president of the Arab American Chamber of Commerce. He is an active member and volunteer for organizations serving the Lebanese community, Arab community, and the Southern Nevada community at large. Thank you Dr. Nassar for your service to Clark County, and congratulations on today's recognition.

ROSS MILLER

Hi, I am Clark County Commissioner Ross Miller, and celebration of Arab American Heritage Month gives me great honor to recognize Philippe Ziade, a man that has made great difference in so many lives in our community. Philippe moved to the United States from his native Lebanon in 1998. He subsequently developed a network of successful multi-million-dollar businesses built on a foundation of innovation, ingenuity, and technology in North America, Asia Europe, and the Middle East. He maintains strong partnerships with universities across the Middle East to enhance the quality of education through the Invest-to-Stay program, a groundbreaking project that pays students tuition through work they complete on behalf of companies. Philippe is the founder and chairman of Las Vegas based Growth Holdings overseeing 24 subsidiary companies globally. In 2019, he was appointed honorary consul of Lebanon in Nevada, and is known for his innovation and support for Lebanese youth. Philippe, thank you for your remarkable contributions, leadership, and the positive impact you continue to have in the Lebanese community.

**GIBSON** 

This month is Arab Heritage Month, and I'm honored to introduce you to someone I suggest we recognize. Maria Bassil is an internationally recognized violinist, and performer. Growing up in Beirut, Lebanon, she began playing the violin and performing for her family. Now, she plays at weddings, galas, concerts, conferences, and festivals across the world. Currently, she's attending UNLV and CSN with plans of becoming a

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veterinarian. Through her musical talent, she has raised money for charities that advocate for women's rights, children's rights, St. Jude, and more. Thank you, Maria, for your contributions to our community.

**ITEM 2** Present a proclamation to Prevent Child Abuse Nevada to recognize April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month and receive a presentation from Prevent Child Abuse Nevada.

**ACTION:** 

Presented as recommended.

**SCHILLER** 

Commissioners, Item 2 is to present a proclamation to Prevent Child Abuse Nevada, to recognize April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and receive a presentation from Prevent Child Abuse Nevada. Commissioner Jones?

**JONES** 

Thank you. Every child should have a great childhood. Because our children are our future. Positive childhood experiences build healthy families and strong communities. Pinwheels for Prevention is a national campaign held every April for Child Abuse Prevention Month. The main focus is to spread awareness throughout communities across the nation, helping ensure each child has the opportunity to live out a safe, stable, and nurturing childhood by putting prevention first. Providing a presentation on that Prevent Child Abuse Nevada is doing is Michelle Saldivar. Come on up, Michelle. Picture first. Okay, there we go.

MICHELLE SALDIVAR

Do it here? Oh, awesome. Appreciate it, thank you. Hi, good morning, everyone. So, my name is Michelle Saldivar, and I'm the outreach coordinator for Prevent Child Abuse Nevada. And I first want to thank Commissioner Jones for allowing us this space. And so, just going to give a quick little presentation on us, and what we do. So, as seen up on the screen, we have our mission. So, our mission is to ensure that Nevada's children thrive in safe, stable, nurturing environments, and relationships. And we do that through education, advocacy, and awareness. We aim to inspire communities to prevent all forms of child maltreatment. Next slide, please.

Oh, sure, awesome. And I just quickly also want to mention, so we are housed at the School of Public Health at UNLV under the Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy (NICRP). So, as you can see on the screen, we are one of plenty projects that are at NICRP. So, I just wanted to give a little overview of that. Next slide.

And going into some of the ways that we try to accomplish our mission – so, the first one is through advocacy. So, during when Legislation is in session, we have some of our policy priorities that we always try to uphold, which is child sexual abuse prevention.

We also do prevention of childhood ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences), and we also try to promote resilience, and positive childhood experiences. And so, we also have — no worries. We do outreach as well. So, we go out to communities to resource fairs, school fairs, and holiday events, most that are put on by our Commissioners up here on the front as well. Next slide.

And the other thing that we do is education. So, through trainings, we have our training coordinator, which Mary Pacheco up over there on the staff over there. So, those are just some of the lists of some trainings that we provide. One, our biggest one, is recognizing and reporting, because even though many people don't directly work with

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children, there are still many signs that people can notice, and should know how to report those signs.

And then, some of the things that we also do is we have a parent advisory group. We always try to keep a parent's voice in some of the materials, and all the things that we do. And it is statewide. So, we have five here in Clark County. We have two in Washoe, and one in Churchill. And these are just some of the other activities that we do. So, we have our Go Blue Day, which we'll talk a little bit in our next slide. We also hold a statewide child abuse prevention, and safety conference, and we also hold biannual webinars.

Alrighty. So, the Pinwheels for Prevention campaign. So, as mentioned April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. And so, we adopted this awareness campaign back in 2011 or '12, I believe. And so, the pinwheel is just a whimsical reminder of the happy, stable childhoods that we want kids to have. And so, we kick off the month by doing a Go Blue Day, so that is April 5. And so, we also do a pinwheel planting at the legislative lawn. So, we do that every year. And that coincides with our Go Blue Day on April 5.

And then, just a list of some of the biannual webinars, educational biannual webinars that we hold. And these are free to the community, and it's open to send anybody that would like to take them and get a little bit more informed on the topic. And then, just information about our statewide Child Abuse Prevention and Safety Conference. We do it every other year. Last we had our June 13, 2023. We did it at the Nevada State College in Henderson. And our next conference will be in 2025.

And then, just something that we wanted to note. So, in the past there hasn't really been a strategic plan for the prevention of child abuse and neglect, so we partnered with DCFS (Division of Child and Family Services) to recreate that State plan. It is on our website, so I do encourage everyone to go and take a look at it. There's a lot of different recommendations on different types of population that if you want to implement some of those.

And lastly, just our information. That QR code up there is for our newsletter. We send them out quarterly, and we always have information. Like I said, we're statewide, so we include information from all counties of Nevada. And that is it. Thank you. Okay.

Thank you so much for all you do in our community, and for all your organization. Appreciate it.

**ITEM 3** Present a proclamation to the Las Vegas Northwest Area Residents Association, in recognition of their outstanding efforts to improve and preserve the rural quality lifestyle in the Northwest.

**ACTION:** Presented as recommended.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 3 is to present a proclamation to the Las Vegas Northwest Area

Residents Association in recognition of their outstanding efforts to improve and preserve the rural quality of lifestyle in the Northwest. Commissioner Kirkpatrick?

KIRKPATRICK Thank you, Mister Manager. If I could ask the Northwest area residents to come up? I want to give a little bit of history. So, many of you know, for a long time, the road

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stopped at Decatur and Washington. It was a dirt road, and then you drove to town to go to Vegas Village or Wonder World. And then, there was a subdivision that was built out off of Gowan and Decatur back in 1979. So, if I could have you guys come up? And it was very rural in nature. Folks had horses, cows, chickens, goats, all of those things. And then, it built up around us. This neighborhood in particular has really – is a testament to how do you have that balance of preservation and continued growth? So, if we could come this way?

So back in – about 29 years ago, there was an apartment complex that came in the middle of nowhere with dirt roads. Craig Road, at that time, did not even – it was a dirt road. It didn't even really exist until the late '90s. But this neighborhood got together with Dr. Linda Young, which many of you may know, and Matt McAllister at the time, and formed this neighborhood association. And what I love about this neighborhood, there's a little over 700 folks that live in this little area, but it's a piece of rural in the middle of big bustling community.

So, we knew when McDonald's came in that life was going to change for us, because we used to have to drive to town just to get groceries. But these folks, every single day worked to find the balance. And really, that's what we have. So, not only do we get to have a school in the neighborhood, a community garden, we have a huge garden that the residents participate in where they can shop out of, they can give back. But they also find the balance on how do we bring growth but maintain the rural lifestyle? So, I really wanted to take the opportunity to recognize them. They've done things, like John Moles, he used to be in the middle of nowhere. In this neighborhood, right off of Tom and Cuddy Way, I grew up in that same little area. And so, it really is a balance and a testament to what we can do if we just sit down and talk to each other, and preserve what Las Vegas was about, and where we need to go for the future. So please help me and congratulate them for their hard work as residents in what they do to make our community better.

And I know you guys give me a hard time. I always try to look out for you all the time, and I can't always make all of their meetings. But in the legislation, I tried to get things to talk about preservation. I tried to do things – but they've been doing it for 30 years solid, and they don't forget, right? And if you don't know anything about Lex, he has a documented history that someday I hope UNLV will have, so that it can really talk about where we came from, and where we're headed. So, on behalf of Clark County and all of the Board of Commissioners, I'm going to give you this proclamation, which really talks about the value of what you bring to our community. They were the first ones with signs to remind people that, yes, Decatur is an arterial road, but there's people with horses and chickens and goats in the area. And we maintain that, so we always look out for them. So, behalf of Clark County, thank you and anybody want to say anything?

## NARA REPRESENTATIVE

Just like to thank you, as President, for everything you've done for us, and on behalf of all the board and the members, you're always there for us. We appreciate you in our little corner of the world.

Thank you very much, Marilyn. Two days ago, we were 29 years old. We've been doing this thing for almost three decades, so this is kind of like a birthday present to us. And we really appreciate it. You know how hard it is, some of you people who have been involved with volunteer organizations, and how it's a full-time job. And Marilyn's really

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been there for us. She's been an advocate, so we really appreciate that. Thank you very much.

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Once again, thank you for preserving what we have and allowing for constructive growth in the neighborhood. And we look forward – this Board is going to be introducing an ordinance soon that will bring people from all rural areas across the valley, and actually work together to how do we keep them afloat? And we know that NARA has the experience, so you'll have a seat on the Board to represent all. So, we appreciate you again, so thank you for all that you do. Thanks.

NARA REPRESENTATIVE

Thank you.

**ITEM 4 PUBLIC COMMENT** 

**ACTION:** No action was taken by the Board.

**SCHILLER** Commissioners, we can now move to the first section set aside for public comment.

**SEGERBLOM** Thank you, Mister Schiller. This is the first time set aside for public comment. Anyone wishing to speak on an item on the agenda, you're welcome to come forward now. We have three minutes. State your first name and your last name, and then spell your last

name, please. And Mister Uehling, we know your last name.

Oh, thanks. So, I don't have to say it. Okay. Item 2, that was just considered no mention of the child abuse of the giving the COVID vaccine to children of all people that aren't even affected by COVID, it wasn't even mentioned. Neither was the treatment of our young people in the schools that don't teach them and don't prepare them for the future. Our schools are a hopeless mess.

Item 41, you settled for – in this, there was an apartment building that where a number of crimes were committed, actual crimes, and you negotiated a penalty of \$45,000 with this apartment complex. You settle for pennies on a property hosting criminal activities. And at the same time, you're stealing millions from people that are bringing tourists here to the city, to spend in the city. You're giving them \$100,000 fines, and actually trying to collect those fines. And all they're doing is making the neighborhood more beautiful and bringing up visitors here to spend money. But I know that's part of your job, to act on behalf of the casinos, who are your real employers here. You don't care at all for the people of the city or the tourists, as a matter of fact.

Number 45, I've forgotten what exactly that is. Let me just check. Oh, an appeal. You appeal a decision to grant a petition for judicial review. The court system is an independent aspect of American life and Clark County life. You don't respect the decisions and constantly try to change them.

And in another case that's going on, the judge pointed out several violations that the County is doing, and you're not letting it go forward. I'm speaking of the short-term rental one. You're not letting it go forward to the Supreme Court. Thank you.

Thank you, Mister Uehling. Anyone else wishing to make a public comment at this time? I see no one. We'll close the public comment period and – I'm sorry, you have a comment?

**ED UEHLING** 

**SEGERBLOM** 

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER Nope.

SEGERBLOM Okay, see no one, and we'll go ahead and close the public comment and turn over to

Mister Schiller.

**ITEM 5** Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 5, 2024. (For possible action) (Available in the County Clerk's Office, Commission Division)

**ACTION:** Minutes of March 5, 2024, approved by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, we can now move to the agenda section. Item 5, approval of the

minutes of the regular meeting on March 5, 2024.

MCCURDY II Mister Chairman, I move for approval of the minutes from March 5.

SEGERBLOM There's a motion. Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**ITEM 6** Approval of Agenda with the Inclusion of Any Emergency Items and Deletion of Any Items. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved with recommended corrections by unanimous vote with recommended

corrections.

SCHILLER Can now move on to Item 6, approval of the agenda with the inclusion of any

emergency items, and deletion of any items. Staff is requesting that Items 23, 36, and 43, under your consent agenda, be taken separately. Mister Chairman, you have also

requested that Item 52 be held.

SEGERBLOM Yes, I'd like to hold 52.

MCCURDY II Mister Chair, I move approval of the agenda with the recommended corrections.

SEGERBLOM Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**CONSENT AGENDA: Item 7 through Item 45** 

**ACTION:** Approved by unanimous vote (Item 23 returned to Consent; Items 36, and 43 taken

separately).

SCHILLER Commissioners, we can now move on to your consent agenda consisting of Items 7

through 45. As a reminder, Items 23, 36, and 43 will be taken separately.

SEGERBLOM Commissioner.

KIRKPATRICK Thank you, Mister Chairman. So, I just want to put on the record, and I don't want to

take it off the agenda because it's not necessary, but Item 23, I would like to just make notes that we need this agreement in place because the fair is just around the corner, but we will be bringing it back with an addendum to address a couple of items, one being the CPI escalator and to some other language. And the Fair Board is aware, but we need

to have an agreement in place so that they can move forward with the fair.

SEGERBLOM So, is that why you don't have to take that separately? Okay.

SCHILLER Correct.

MCCURDY II Mister Chairman, I move for approval of the consent agenda items.

SEGERBLOM Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**ITEM 7** Approve the selection of, and the Contract with Great Basin Institute, for RFP No. 606806-23, for Range-Wide Monitoring, contingent upon submission of the required insurance; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Contract; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 8** Approve an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with U.S. Geological Survey, for CBE No. 606877-23, for Interlocal Agreement for Seed Ecology of Threecorner Milkvetch; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 9** Approve the award of Bid No. 606952-24, for Purchase and Installation of Electrical Lights at Ball Fields Countywide, to the low responsive and responsible bidder, contingent upon submission of the required bonds and insurance. Staff recommends award to Communication Electronic Systems LLC; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 10** Ratify and approve an Amendment to the Contract with Bamboo Sunrise, for CBE No. 606232-22, for Foster Care Qualified Residential Treatment Program; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 11** Authorize the Chair to sign the Interlocal Agreement with United States Geological Survey dba Northern Rocky Mountain Science Center, for CBE No. 606946-24, for Interlocal Agreement for Distribution and Threats to the Arizona Toad in Clark County; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 12** Approve the Contract with JusticeWorks NV, LLC, for CBE No. 606959-24, for Intensive In-Home and Case Management Services for Truancy Prevention, contingent upon submission of the required insurance; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Contract; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 13** Approve an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with U.S. Geological Survey, for CBE No. 606225-22, for Desert Tortoise Predator-Prey Dynamics Phase 2; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 14** Authorize the Chair to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Southern Nevada Health District, for CBE No. 606954-24, for HIV Status Neutral Rapid Prevent Program; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 15** Approve an Amendment to the Contract with Crowe LLP, for RFP No. 605086-18, for Auditing Services; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 16** Authorize the Chair to sign the Interlocal Agreement No. 2432-0024 with Nevada Division of Forestry, for CBE No. 606763-23, for Conservation Work Projects at Wetlands Park; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 17 Approve the selection of, and the Contract with Aspire Mental Health, LLC, for RFP No. 606876-23, for Mental Health Services, contingent upon submission of the required insurance; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Contract; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 18** Approve an Amendment to the Contract with Wellpath, LLC, for RFP No. 603986-16, for Medical Services for Department of Juvenile Justice Services; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 19** Approve an Amendment to the Contract with Wellpath, LLC, for RFP No. 604962-18, for Inmate Health Care Services for Clark County Detention Center; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Amendment; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 20** Ratify and approve the Contract with Hoogland Architecture, LTD. dba Hoogland Architecture, for CBE No. 606910-23, for Professional Architectural Services for SNCAC Building Renovation, contingent upon submission of the required insurance; and authorize the Chief Financial Officer or her designee to sign the Contract; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 21** Note for the record the following Town Advisory Board (TAB) and/or Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) Minutes: Enterprise TAB - February 28, 2024; Moapa TAB - February 13, 2024; Paradise TAB - February 27, 2024; Spring Valley TAB - February 27, 2024; Sunrise Manor TAB - February 29, 2024; and Winchester TAB - February 27, 2024.

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 22 Approve a ninety (90) day temporary pawnbroker's license for CASHAMERICA WEST, INC. dba SUPERPAWN located at 4525 Blue Diamond Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89139 and authorize the Director of Business License to issue a permanent license upon the completion of the suitability investigation without any areas of concern. Commission

District: F (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 23** Approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign an agreement between Clark County and Clark County Fair, Inc. for provision of the Clark County Fair and Rodeo, held at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Logandale, Nevada, for each of the next five years beginning in April of 2024. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 24** Accept the monetary donation of \$2,500 from the Southern Nevada Chapter, International Code Council to the Clark County Department of Parks and Recreation to provide swim lessons to toddlers four-years-old and younger. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 25 Approve the award of Project 3078 Roofing Replacement at T1 Offices and C Gates (Project) and authorize the Director of Aviation to sign the contract contingent upon the contractor providing both a labor and material bond and a performance bond as required by the contract documents; staff recommends award to Monument Construction dba Monument (Jon Wayne Nielsen, President), the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 26** Approve, adopt, and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution enabling the Clark County Department of Aviation (DOA) to donate surplus lost and found property; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved as recommended (Resolution R-4-2-24-1)

**ITEM 27** Approve and authorize the County Manager to sign a revocable license agreement between Clark County and the City of North Las Vegas for construction, maintenance and operation of a new sewer line located along the Northern Clark County 215 Beltway between North 5th Street and Losee Road. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 28 Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution of Intent to Sell Real Property at Public Auction for ±4.07 acres of vacant Clark County owned real property identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 140-08-601-016 located west of N Nellis Blvd and north of E Gowan Rd specifying a minimum bid of \$475,000; set a public auction date of May 7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign any other necessary documents to complete the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved as recommended (Resolution R-4-2-24-2)

ITEM 29 Approve and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign a ±96 square foot dedication on Assessor's Parcel Number 162-04-101-002 to the City of Las Vegas to facilitate pedestrian improvements along Charleston Blvd. and Shadow Lane and sign any other documents as necessary to complete the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 30 Approve and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign a Right of Entry (ROE) with STNL Henderson LLC for access to a portion of Clark County-owned land located on Assessor's Parcel Number 179-28-501-005 known as the Clark County Museum as part of the proposed private driveway (Sausalito Drive) installation; and sign any other documents as necessary to complete the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 31 Approve and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign a  $\pm 67$  square foot non-exclusive easement on Assessor's Parcel Number 161-17-511-091 to Las Vegas Valley Water District for a backflow assembly and sign any other documents as necessary to complete the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 32 Approve and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign the Amendment and Restatement of Water Facilities Easement for Las Vegas Valley Water District and City of North Las Vegas for ±500 square feet located at 5710 Judson Avenue, Las Vegas, NV (a portion of Assessor's Parcel Number 140-21-511-018) to install a Pressure Relief Valve and to execute any other documents required to facilitate the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 33 Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution to Declare the County-Owned Property as Surplus and Make Offer to Reconvey  $\pm 1.79$  acres of vacant Clark County owned real property (Assessor's Parcel Number 177-06-201-006) located west of Rogers Street and north of W Pamalyn Ave; and authorize the Acting Director of Real Property Management or her designee to sign a quitclaim deed conveying the property to the prior owner or successor-in-interest and any other documents necessary to complete the transaction. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved as recommended (Resolution R-4-2-24-3)

ITEM 34 In accordance with NRS 244.210 and 354.220 through 354.250, approve, adopt, and authorize the Chair to sign a resolution to authorize refunds as shown on Exhibit "A." (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved as recommended (Resolution R-4-2-24-4)

**ITEM 35** Approve the reallocation of \$1,500,000 of appropriations from the Park Projects/Renovations District F allocation from the Parks and Recreation Improvements Fund (4140.000) to the Valley View/Pyle Neighborhood Park project (TBD). (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 36** Approve the reallocation of \$2,766,868 of appropriations from the Park Projects/Renovations District A allocation from the Parks and Recreation Improvements Fund (4140.000) to the West Flamingo Senior Center Expansion Project (TBD). (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, we can now move to Item 36, which will be taken separately. Approve

the reallocation of \$2,766,868 of appropriations from the Park Projects Renovations District Day allocation from the Parks and Recreation Improvement Fund to the West

Flamingo Senior Center Expansion Project. Commissioner Naft?

**NAFT** 

Thank you, Manager Schiller. I just wanted to bring to the Board's attention how important this project is for the West Flamingo Senior Center. For those of you who don't know, that center has been busting at the seams. Every single program they do is beyond capacity. There's a waiting list. We're turning seniors away every single day. And this will allow us to expand the room, which will allow us to expand capacity at our events there. So, it's really important in the area, and just wanted to say thank you to Jessica and Lisa and everybody who got this item on. The original scope of this project was much larger and probably prohibitive. But with a lot of work that went into it, I believe this is a good plan to accommodate the needs of the center. So, with that, I move for approval of Item 36.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**ITEM 37** Approve and authorize the General Manager to sign the consulting services agreement with NOVA Geotechnical and Inspection Services, LLC dba Universal Engineering Sciences (UES) (James Bristow, Managing Partner) for Cultural Resource Management and Environmental Services related to NEPA Compliance and Federal Cross-Cutters, District RFP No. 240020; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 38 Approve the award of District ITB No. 240013, Wastewater Treatment Chemicals (Aluminum Sulfate, Citric Acid, Ferric Chloride, Sodium Bisulfite, Sodium Hydroxide and Sodium Hypochlorite), to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders; contingent upon submission of required insurance. Staff recommends award of Lots 1 and 5 to Thatcher Company of Nevada, Inc. (Michael T. Mitchell, President); Lots 2 and 4 to Brenntag Pacific, Inc. (W. Thomas Crain, Jr., President); Lot 3 to Pencco, Inc. (Sarah Duffy, Bid Secretary); and Lot 6 to Pioneer Americas LLC, a wholly subsidiary of Olin Corporation (Joy Burris, Bleach Marketing Director); or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 39** Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the correction of the 2021-2022 thru 2023-2024 Secured and the 2023-2024 Unsecured Assessment Roll AR-0402-24-7 and order the corrections to be made. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 40** Ratify and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement No. 6695 with the Centers for Disease Control for the Medicolegal Death Investigation Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resource implementation guide project; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 41** Approve the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release in the matter of District Court Case No. A-22-851490-C, entitled Clark County v. Apex Apartments, et al; and authorize the County Manager to sign the Agreement; or take action as deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 42** Approve and authorize the District Attorney's Office or its designee to file a lawsuit against Series VI of Huntington, LLC, one of the property owners of Assessor's Parcel No. 163-31-702-017, to complete the partial property acquisition process for improvements. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 43** Designate the Vegas Strong Fund Non-Profit Organization as the non-profit to fundraise, design, and construct the 1 October Memorial; Transfer \$143,986.85 in donations from the 1 October Memorial Fund to Vegas Strong Fund; and provide other direction as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 43 is to designate the Vegas Strong Fund nonprofit organization as the nonprofit to fundraise, design, and construct the 1 October Memorial, and transfer \$143.986.85 in donations from the October 1 Memorial Fund to the Vegas Strong Fund,

and provide other direction as appropriate.

We ask that this item be pulled off. As you know, you guys have approved, and we've gone through a significant process for selection of the memorial. Wanted to put on record, what this will do is shift the donations to the public, so they're aware to the Vegas Strong Fund nonprofit organization. And then, there's a subsequent item which you previously approved, which would rescind that action, where there were donations going to the County and Parks and Recreation. So really wanted to just make sure we highlighted the movement on this with the nonprofit. But more importantly, as we fundraise for this, and the nonprofit moves forward, we'll be partnering with them obviously to facilitate that, and just make sure that people still can make donations, and where to go for that.

SEGERBLOM Commissioner Gibson, do you want to make a –

GIBSON I just wanted to thank you for that clarification because there are folks who don't

understand when we say, "No more contributions here." We obviously need to raise a lot of money in short order, as quickly as we possibly can. And the contributions now would flow to the Vegas Strong Fund nonprofit organization that has taken on responsibility to help us raise that money and get things moving. If there are no

questions – no other questions or comments, I would move approval.

SEGERBLOM Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**ITEM 44** Rescind the action authorizing the Director of the Clark County Parks and Recreation Department from accepting individual donations for the 1 October Memorial Fund. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 45** Authorize the District Attorney's Office to appeal the decision to grant a petition for judicial review in the Eight Judicial District Court action, LV Judson, LP v. Clark County, Case No. A-23-869800-J, to the Court of Appeals or Supreme Court of Nevada. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**ITEM 46** Conduct a public hearing; approve, adopt and authorize the Chair to sign a Resolution to Authorize a Lease-Purchase Obligation for the Southern Nevada Area Communications Council Fund (2520). (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved as recommended by unanimous vote. (Resolution R-4-2-24-5)

SCHILLER We can now move to the public hearing section of your agenda. Item 46 is to conduct a

public hearing, approve, adopt, and authorize the chair to sign a resolution to authorize a lease purchase obligation for the Southern Nevada Area Communications Counsel

Fund.

GIBSON So, while we're getting ready to do that, the agenda says that we would set a public

hearing. Have we done that already? On the last item, on the street vendor code? Have

we done that?

SEGERBLOM Geez, you're getting an awful picky here.

LOGSDON Commissioner, we did –

GIBSON Listen, we all want this to come to a conclusion.

SEGERBLOM All right –

LOGSDON We did introduce that ordinance and set the public hearing.

SEGERBLOM We did set it? Okay. Thank you.

GIBSON Sorry. Sorry.

SEGERBLOM All right, so we do have a public hearing now?

SCHILLER Item 46.

SEGERBLOM Which item are where we on now?

SCHILLER Item 46?

SEGERBLOM Okay.

LOGSDON Commissioners, this is –

SEGERBLOM I open the public hearing.

JESSICA COLVIN For the record, this is Jessica Colvin, I'm making a couple of comments. This is a ten-

year lease purchase option for the Southern Nevada Area Communications Counsel. It's not an obligation of the County, nor is it secured by a tax levy. We do have Anna

Dancik available if you have any questions.

SEGERBLOM This is a public hearing. Anyone wishing to speak on this item? Please come forward.

UEHLING Yes. My name is Ed Uehling. I've never heard of this organization, so I'm curious about

it. Who runs it? Do they have any activities that they received money for? Why do they have to go to the water authority and get \$6 million? To do what? Can someone explain

in more detail what this is all about?

SEGERBLOM Does that complete your public comment?

UEHLING Yeah, I just wanted more information.

SEGERBLOM Yeah. All right. If that completes your public comment, we'll ask staff to explain.

COLVIN Commissioners, this is a separate agency that has multiple members that contribute

through contributions for an infrastructure of radio communications. And so, the money

going in is coming in from contributions from each agency to support the radio

infrastructure. This lease obligation is going to upgrade and purchase new equipment to

support that infrastructure.

SEGERBLOM All right. Does anyone make a motion?

LOGSDON Commissioner, can you just close the public hearing?

SEGERBLOM I'm sorry. Close the public hearing. And I would ask for a motion.

MCCURDY II I move for approval for Item 46.

SEGERBLOM All right, cast your vote. That motion passes. Thank you.

ITEM 47 Introduce an ordinance to amend Title 7 of the Clark County Code by adding a new Chapter designated as Chapter 7.200 - Sidewalk Vendors to establish regulations pertaining to the licensing and operations of sidewalk vendor businesses; including definition of terms, establishing findings, applicability, license application requirements, fees, operational requirements, prohibited acts, limitations on hours and locations of operation, penalties, and enforcement; and to amend Title 18 by deleting Chapter 18.03 to prevent redundancy; and providing for other matters properly related thereto; and set a public hearing. Commission District: All (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Ordinance introduced and public hearing set for Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10 a.m.

(Bill 4-2-24-1)

SCHILLER That concludes your Consent Agenda. Commissioners, we can now move to

introduction of ordinances. Item 47 is an ordinance to amend Title 7 of the Clark County Code by adding a new chapter designated as Chapter 7.200, Sidewalk Vendors to establish regulations pertaining to the licensing and operations of sidewalk vendor businesses, including definition of terms, establishing findings, applicability, license application requirements, fees, operational requirements, prohibited acts, limitations on hours and locations of operation, penalties and enforcement, and to amend Title 18 by deleting Chapter 18.03 to prevent redundancy, and providing for other matters properly

related there to, and set a public hearing.

SEGERBLOM I'll introduce the ordinance and set the public hearing for Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10

a.m.

**ITEM 48** Identify emerging issues to be addressed by staff or by the Board at future meetings; receive updates on the activities of the various regional boards and commissions; and direct staff accordingly.

**ACTION:** Identified and received as recommended.

SCHILLER Commissioners, it's just not yet 10 a.m., so we'll now move to the business section of

your agenda. Item 48 is to identify emerging issues to be addressed by staff or by the board at future meetings, receive updates on the activities of the various regional boards

**SCHILLER** and commissions, and direct staff accordingly.

**SEGERBLOM** Miss Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK Thank you, Mister Chairman, so can I ask, we held Item 52 today, so what is the next

steps going forward, and how do people be engaged in that conversation?

LISA LOGSDON So, Item 52 that was before you today, has to do with your rate adjustments that are in

code. And so, pursuant to the code, annually, February 1, the ambulance service charges increased by the CPI in CS rate. But there's another section in your code, that when there's an unforeseen economic circumstance, the County Commission can approve a different method for adjusting those rates that is not based on that CPI. But what's important to note is that in that following year, then it goes back to CPI. So, if this Board wants to go out and look at a different method of increasing those rates, the Business License will have to go back and figure out what that method is and bring that back. And it could potentially, depending, on what that method is, could potentially

require a Business Impact Statement as well.

KIRKPATRICK So really, it's – so I'm assuming Business Licensing will at least brief to get some direction, and then there'll be a conversation. I always worry that we could fix it today, but it's a short-term fix, right? So, and it just reverts back, and we don't know what happens. But at the same time, if there's a bigger discussion to be had for the long term, in my mind it should be a regional. I don't know where the Board is, but I just wanted to

understand the next steps because it's a change from where we've been.

LOGSDON Yeah, that is correct because it is a different method for approving these rates and code. The code has established it to be CPI. And so, if this Board's going to take a different

approval method, we'll need to bring that back on what that method is.

KIRKPATRICK Okay. Thank you for that clarification. Then a couple other things that I have.

> The Southern Nevada Health District, we're super busy. It's a busy time of the year for us with immunizations, for kids getting back to school. And people should note that sixth-graders typically require a new shot that – it's been a long time since they got one. Kindergarten was probably the last time they got one, so don't forget. But the pop-up produce stands are back, and those are at the Bonneville Transit Center. And those are very successful for us, so we have six days, April, May, and June, and we encourage people to go out and use them because it's close. They can grab it while they're heading to work, on the bus, or whatever. But it's super popular, and it's something that the Health District likes to promote.

> So today is also the State of Public Health at 1 p.m., so it'll be at the headquarters, it's on Facebook Live. And it's important to know that we've come a long way since COVID. and we continue to move forward. I always encourage people to go back and to listen on what the Health District is working on. There'll be a presentation on syphilis. A lot of times, we over-test, so our numbers look really high across the country, but it's because we're constantly over-testing. Data is a really big issue to us.

And then, just to put on people's radar, because I don't like to shirk our responsibilities, overdose is up in our community as a whole, so it's never too early to start talking to

KIRKPATRICK

your children about what's important, and where you can get those.

And then, one last thing, Southern Nevada Health District had about 300 people that may have been compromised, so we encourage you that if you've done business with the Health District recently, to go back and protect your passwords and to protect your information. It's the day and age that we're at, but this was specific to March 4 through March 14. So that's all I have, Mister Chair.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Gibson?

**GIBSON** 

Yes. Just back to the issue on the ambulance service rates. I think it'll be really important that our Manager and our CFO are actively engaged in those discussions so that we come to a result that reflects all of the economics that are impacted.

Wanted to make a comment. Commissioner Naft and I had the privilege this morning of recognizing a group of people who work in the – with their own families and with others who have autistic members of their family. And this month is Autistic Awareness and Acceptance month. And I love that because it is clear that there are thousands of – it's estimated that there are 12,000 people under the age of 21 in Nevada that are autistic, many of whom have not yet been diagnosed. And it's on all of us as a community to ensure that the bullying that is so prevalent of children ages 6 to 15 stops. We need to teach in our homes acceptance of people who are different from us. And just thought it was worth mentioning that today on our broadcast. Thank you.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Thank you. That will close the – I think that's all we have as far as comments.

ITEM 49 Appoint five (5) qualified individuals to serve on the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park Trail Advisory Council for a term of no more than 3 years from the list of following applicants: Kelly Eileen Lehr, Elsa Victoria Conley, Gino Briscoe, Frederick S. Doten, Shannon M Cole, Harold B Willett, Deborah A Murray, Kathleen M. Hoss, Daniel G Vander Loop, and Renee O. Yepez. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** 

Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

**SCHILLER** 

Commissioners, Item 49 is to appoint five qualified individuals to serve on the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park Trail Advisory Counsel for a term of no more than three years from the list of the following applicants: Kelly Eileen Lehr, Elsa Victoria Conely, Gino Briscoe, Frederick S. Doten, Shannon M. Cole, Harold B. Willett, Deborah A. Murray, Kathleen M. Hoss, Daniel G. Vander Loop, and Renee O. Yepez.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Naft?

**NAFT** 

Thank you. I move the appointment of Fred Doten, Deborah Murray, Renee Yepez, Kathleen Hoss, and Victoria Conely.

**SEGERBLOM** 

There's a motion. Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**VOTE YAY:** Tick Segerblom, William McCurdy II, Jim Gibson, Justin

Jones, Marilyn K. Kirkpatrick, and Michael Naft.

VOTE NAY: None
ABSENT: Ross Miller
ABSTAIN: None

**ITEM 50** Appoint Wyatt Kenneth Oliver to fill the vacancy in the Mesquite Constable position. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Recommendation approved by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 50 is to appoint Wyatt Kenneth Oliver to fill the vacancy in the

Mesquite Constable position. Mister Bateman may have a few comments.

SAM BATEMAN It's just for background. We were here in February 19. It was the Board's determination

to wait to see who filed for the election, which became open this year, as the Mesquite Constable became vacant. Actually, Sergeant Oliver is the only person that put in for the race. He's the only person on the ballot, therefore he will be elected. We're lucky to have found Sergeant Oliver. He's been on the Mesquite Police Department since 2007. He's been on patrol. He's been a detective. He's now a sergeant over various areas. He's also the public information officer for the Mesquite Police Department. He's POST certified, in order to be a police officer, so that's important. So, I believe he's here, and

it's our recommendation that you appoint Sergeant Oliver to the position.

SEGERBLOM Looks like he's going to come forward and volunteer.

WYATT OLIVER Good morning. I wanted to introduce myself. I'm Wyatt Oliver, as Sam had mentioned.

I'm excited for this opportunity to serve the Mesquite citizens in a different aspect, and I

wanted to step forward because I believe this is a position that needs to stay in

Mesquite, to represent the constituents there, and to serve the city there in that aspect, so

thank you.

SEGERBLOM And you know what you're getting into?

OLIVER Maybe. A little bit.

SEGERBLOM All right then. Is there a motion?

KIRKPATRICK Mister Chairman, I'd make a motion to actually make it official, and appoint Mister

Oliver, and one thing; him and the Board for not getting rid of the office, because it's important, especially our rural areas, so they know we work with them. So good luck to you. I think it's going to be a balance for you with your other responsibilities. But thank you for stepping up, and thank you that you're POST certified, so with that, that's my

motion.

SEGERBLOM Cast your vote. That motion passes.

**ITEM 51** Approve the appointment of John Munoz as the Director of Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Services. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Approved and appointed by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 51 is to approve the appointment of John Munoz as the Director

of Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice Service. Mister Munoz comes to us after an extensive career with the state and youth parole. And with that, I'll turn it over

to Abbie Frierson for additional comments.

ABIGAIL FRIERSON Thank you, Mister Schiller. As Mister Schiller stated, John Munoz is a successful

candidate out of a rigorous process that involved a nationwide search, town halls with staff. And though I have enjoyed my time as interim Director of Juvenile Justice, I am happy to pass the torch to Mister Munoz, who has 26 years of experience in juvenile justice, child welfare, children's mental health, and has a lot of experience leading large teams, managing complex budgets, and implementing programs. We're very pleased to

have him, and we ask that you ratify this appointment.

SEGERBLOM Did you want to make any comments before?

JOHN MUNOZ I just wanted to say good morning, and my name is John Munoz, and I wanted to thank

the chair, the members of the Commission, in particular, County Manager Schiller, Deputy County Manager Frierson, for this incredible opportunity. I have dedicated more than 25 years to working with youth and families in Clark County, and I'm incredibly excited about working in the Department of Juvenile Justice Services. I'll take any

questions if you have any. Thank you.

SEGERBLOM I don't see anything. Is there a motion?

MCCURDY II There are no questions. I move for approval of the appointment of Mister John Munoz.

SEGERBLOM Cast your vote. And congratulations, and good luck.

MUNOZ Thank you.

SEGERBLOM The motion passes. Welcome to the County.

MUNOZ Thank you.

ITEM 52 Approve a method of adjusting the maximum ambulance service rates for the period of February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025, that are not based on the changes in the Consumer Price Index for Medical Care Services; and direct staff accordingly. Commission District: All (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Item held per Commissioner Segerblom.

ITEM 53 Consider and approve the Business Impact Statement, pursuant to NRS Chapter 237, for the proposed amendments to Clark County Code Title 7, adding a new Chapter 7.200 to establish regulations pertaining to the licensing and operations of sidewalk vendor businesses; including definition of terms, establishing findings, applicability, license application requirements, fees, operational requirements, prohibited acts, limitations on hours and locations of operation, penalties, and enforcement; and to amend Title 18 by deleting Chapter 18.03 to prevent redundancy; and providing for other matters properly related thereto; and set a public hearing. Commission District: All (For possible action)

**ACTION:** The Business Impact Statement was received and approved by unanimous vote.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 53 is to consider and approve the Business Impact Statement

pursuant to NRS Chapter 237 for the proposed amendments to Clark County Code Title seven, adding a new Chapter, 7.200, to establish regulations pertaining to the licensing

and operations of sidewalk vendor businesses, including definition of terms,

establishing findings, accountability, license application requirements, fees, operational requirements, prohibited acts, limitations on hours and locations of operations, penalties

SCHILLER and enforcement, and to amend Title 18 by deleting Chapter 18.03 to prevent

redundancy, and providing other matters properly related thereto, and set a public

hearing.

SEGERBLOM Good morning.

MARK HARWELL Good morning, Chair, Commissioners, Mike Harwell for Business License. The

Business Impact Statement, the notification for this ordinance was sent out to the industry. Also, the Chambers of Commerce and Trade Associations has also posted in the Review Journal twice. We received 41 comments back for mainly commenting on they don't like the ordinance, they don't want the ordinance, they don't want regulation,

or they want less regulation. And we received 17 comments that felt either the

regulation didn't go far enough, or they don't want the industry at all. So, it was kind of a diverse group. There was no one really in the middle. And so, this is the Business

Impact Statement. And if you have any questions, I'm here for that.

SEGERBLOM I see no questions. This isn't a public hearing, so there's no vote required. Thank you,

Mister Harwell.

LOGSDON You still need a vote? You just don't have a –

GIBSON Yeah, we do.

SEGERBLOM Oh, we do. Okay.

MCCURDY II Mister Chair, I move to receive the report.

SEGERBLOM All right. There is a motion to receive the report. Thank you so much. Cast your vote.

And that report is received.

HARWELL Thank you.

GIBSON In terms of the public hearing item, you're going take care of that?

SCHILLER Doing it right now.

GIBSON Okay.

ITEM 54 Accept the Business Impact Statement pursuant to NRS 237.090 for the proposed District Resolution 24-001, which amends the District Service Rules; and determine that the proposed resolution does not impose a significant economic burden on affected customers; or take other action as appropriate. (Sitting as the Clark County Water Reclamation Board of Trustees) (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Business Impact Statement accepted and public hearing set for April 16, 2024.

SCHILLER A little slow. Commissioner, we can now move back to the business section of your

agenda. Item 54 is to accept the Business Impact Statement pursuant to NRS 237.090 for the proposed District Resolution 24-001, which amends the district service rules and determine that the proposed resolution does not impose a significant economic burden

on effective customers or take other action as appropriate.

SEGERBLOM Good morning, Mister Minwegen.

TOM MINWEGEN Mister Chair, members of the Board. Good morning. Tom Minwegen with the Clark

County Water Reclamation District. Members of the Board, our Business Impact Statement did go through the proper notifications and requirements. There were no material and/or comments and/or questions received from the stakeholders. We also hosted various stakeholder meetings on this item. The Board previously set the public

hearing for April 16.

SEGERBLOM Seeing no comments, I would move to approve it and set the public hearing for April

16, at 10 a.m.

MINWEGEN This is to accept the Business impact statement.

SEGERBLOM I would accept – I'm sorry. I move to accept the Business Impact Statement and set the

public hearing for April 16. That motion passes. Thank you.

MINWEGEN Thank you, Board members.

**ITEM 55** Receive a presentation from the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada about their various programs and services. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Presentation received as recommended.

SCHILLER Commissioners, Item 55 is to receive a presentation from the Regional Transportation

Commission of Southern Nevada about their various programs and services.

M. J. MAYNARD Good morning.

SEGERBLOM Good morning.

MAYNARD Good morning, Commissioners, Chairman Segerblom, and RTC Chairman Jones. M.J.

Maynard, for the record. So today, I want to talk about a couple of things related to transportation funding. Let's see. Let me move this forward. So, Las Vegas is a world-class city. Las Vegas has been known and is known as the entertainment capital of the world. Las Vegas is now known as the sports capital of the world. What Las Vegas is not known for and is not is a world-class transportation city. We certainly do not have the current resources to efficiently, effectively provide services to our locals and to our

tourists.

So, I want to talk just a little bit of how we got here on transportation funding for roadways and for transit. In 1965, through state legislation, we received a 1 cent per gallon fuel tax for roadway infrastructure, and at the time, the population in Clark County was a little over 211,000 residents. In 1990, through an advisory request, we received 9 cents per gallon fuel tax and a quarter percent for sales tax for transit and, at that time, we'd grown to over 770,000 residents. In 2002, there was an advisory question that allowed for a quarter percent sales tax for both roadway and transit, and at that time, our population was about 1.6 million residents.

And then in 2013, through state legislation and at the leadership and direction of the Clark County Commission, we indexed gas tax to inflation for roadways from 2014

#### **MAYNARD**

through 2016 and, at that time, our population was 2.1 million residents. In 2016, through a ballot measure, we continued the ability to index fuel tax inflation for another 10 years ending in 2026 and, at the time, the population in Clark County was 2.2 million and we continued to be as one of the fastest growing cities in the region. It's also important to note that we have not invested in transit in over 20 years, and we still receive three eights of a percent for transit – sales tax to provide transit to our community. So, you can imagine because of these funding investments, we've been able to invest over \$3.78 billion over the last 26 years to improve transportation infrastructure here in Southern Nevada.

We've also been able to build and operate very important infrastructure projects. The I-11 Boulder City Bypass, the Clark County 215 Beltway, certainly all the improvements on Las Vegas Boulevard, and the major corridor improvements that continue today. We also launched service for our seniors, our veterans, students, and for our Game Day Express. And this slide represents the success of the Fuel Revenue Indexing (FRI) program. As you can see, it's been regionally successful. Since 2014, we've been able to start 674 roadway projects of which 439 of those projects have been completed. We've also been able to put 78 local small businesses to work. We've awarded \$2.2 billion in roadway projects, and because of the FRI program, over 16,000 jobs have been created. And I really just want to thank you, the commissioners, because your leadership and directions certainly helped move along and not only in your role today, but your previous roles, the ability to, again, to build the infrastructure that we have in place today. And many thanks and acknowledgement to our community who also have invested by way of advisory question, and a valid question for continued infrastructure and transportation funding here in Southern Nevada.

So, let's talk about transit and some of the challenges that we have in our funding model. You've heard me speak about transit challenges for a number of years now. I'm also going to talk about our roadway future funding challenges and so transportation funding in general. So, we operate 39 routes. This is last year's number. We are currently moving over 50 million boardings every single year, 50 million annually, 150,000 daily boardings. And of those 150,000 daily boardings, 80% are riders that are actually going to work or searching for work. So public transit has the power to close gaps in access to opportunities, ensuring that people of all backgrounds, income levels, and abilities can safely and reliably access their community's resources. I thought I'd just share this slide with you, this video.

## VIDEO PRESENTATION

RTC COMMUTER Thank you, RTC. I use your services every day to the grocery store, school, work.

Thank you so much. I appreciate you guys.

RTC COMMUTER Thank you, RTC, for letting me go to work and taking me to doctor's appointments.

RTC COMMUTER Thank you, RTC, for getting me to work every day.

RTC COMMUTER Thank you, RTC. We love you. You make it very convenient for us to get to where

we're getting to.

RTC COMMUTER RTC, I use your services every day to go to the doctor, to go everywhere. I actually

depend on RTC.

RTC COMMUTER

Thank you RTC for your services. And we take the bus every day and we use the app. It makes it easy.

RTC COMMUTER

I ride RTC all the time and I rely on this plus very great service. Thank you, very much.

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**MAYNARD** 

Again, transit has the power to close gaps in how folks can access our community. If you don't ride transit here in Southern Nevada, I think sometimes there's a thought that it's just poor people, people who can't afford it. But actually, the transit system here in Southern Nevada is part of the economic ecosystem. We are moving employees every single day. Again, 150,000 daily boardings, 80% of those folks are going to work or searching for work so it's a very important service.

And I think many of you are aware and something that we are proud of. We've got a great team at the RTC. We have the highest fare box recovery ratio. What does that mean? We collect more money at the fare box than any bus system in the U.S. We have the lowest subsidy, and I'll come back to that. One of the lowest operating costs.

We are the 14th busiest bus system in the U.S. and people are always, I think, surprised by that. So, when I talk about the lowest subsidy, that's lowest public investment in public transit. So, if you look at this slide in comparison to our peer cities. Aside from Orlando, we have the lowest annual per capita spending on public transit. The cities that lead the difference, excuse me, they spend more between Austin, Salt Lake City, LA, Miami, Denver, Portland. They spend on average \$80 to \$259 more per capita annually and those are systems that actually have more than just buses. So, they have light rail, they have heavy rail, commuter rail, etc. So, it really is about why we may have the lowest public subsidy, we the less investment, but it's one of the things – that's one of the reasons that we have a bus mode only system here in Southern Nevada.

So, let's talk about transit again. We've updated this slide. Many of you have seen this before. So, on the right-hand bar, that represents the revenues. The dark bar on the left, excuse me, to the right represents expenditures. And then the shaded areas, the cash balance that we have in our transit fund. It's important to note that in Fiscal '24 and Fiscal '26, you notice we're sort of in the black there. That really just has to do with the reimbursements that we're getting from the stimulus fund for capital projects that have already been expended. The point here is that this deficit is large. Beginning in '27 through '29, just those three years our fiscal deficit in the transit fund is \$164 million. And as you can see in that cash balance, that's the trajectory we do not want as it continues to decline.

So, we have been here before, but not to this extent. So, during the Great Recession, we certainly had a deficit we had to address. During the pandemic we had a deficit we had to address. And when we do that, we do that first internally. Are we operating our system, our agency as efficiently as possible? Because the last thing that we want to do is cut transit service. And so, in the past we've done that. We have laid off staff, furloughed staff, taken pay cuts. We've stopped capital projects, deferred contracts, deferred partnerships, that sort of thing. Again, the last thing that we want to do is reduce transit service, and unfortunately, we've had to do that again during the Great

**MAYNARD** 

Recession, during the pandemic.

So, let's talk about roadway funding. So, I think just a good reminder with the RTC, with the help of the local governments and all of you working closely with your staff, we cover nearly 8,000 square miles helping support the planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operations of over 8,000 miles of roadways, 1600 signalized intersections, and a thousand miles of bike facilities within Southern Nevada. The traffic management team works on over 1,100 CCTV cameras, they monitor 74 ramps, and they maintain over 1,600 miles of fiber-optic cable. This map represents our CIP, our ten-year CIP (Capital Improvement) program. It's currently made up of 278 projects from all the local jurisdictions and the funds have been encumbered for those projects from now through 2034. It's about \$2.1, almost \$2.2 billion worth of projects. And again, as you can see, it's been regionally successful. It really touches every corner of the valley. And I'd like to acknowledge your Public Works staff led by Denis Cederburg. They're really some of the best. We appreciate the County, the staff, for moving these projects forward and bringing much-needed benefits to our community.

## VIDEO PRESENTATION

**JONES** 

We're really excited about the new traffic signal at Sunset and Quarter Horse. This is right next to Southern Hills Hospital. It's going to provide a tremendous amount of new safety features for those that are traveling to and from the hospital, but also for just all of the motorists, all of the cyclists, all of the pedestrians in that entire corridor over there. And it's just part of the improvements that we're working on in the Southwest thanks to the RTC and Fuel Revenue Index funding.

**ALEXIS MUSSI** 

Hi, I am Alexis Mussi. I'm the CEO of Southern Hills Hospital and Medical Center. I wanted to thank the RTC and everyone that made the new stoplight on Sunset and Quarter Horse possible. It has provided more safety, and provided convenience, it has provided more access to the hospital, and this is something that we have been eagerly waiting for many, many years. Thank you to everyone that made this happen. We are very grateful, and you can see it at any time of day or night, the lines to come in and out and so it's clearly doing its job and it's working.

**CADE** 

My name is Cade with Pedal & Pour. I work here and I actually take that commute home over to where Commissioner Jones put the light on Quarter Horse, and I have noticed a significant increase in safety for drivers. I've seen a few cyclists go that way as well. I really actually appreciate that light being there. I think it makes the flow home a lot more manageable. I would like to thank Commissioner Jones and RTC for putting that light there and just improving the overall safety for everyone on that side of town.

# VIDEO PRESENTATION CONCLUDED

**MAYNARD** 

So, again, the Fuel Revenue Index program has allowed us to do such important projects that not only improve how people move about the community, but also improve the safety and again, thanks to public work staff. So, we'll take a look at the roadway at the financial assessment. Same kind of slide – or we'll talk about – let me talk about this first. So, the Fuel Revenue program has been very, very successful as indicated in the orange bars. Without FRI, if we'd just been relying on motor vehicle fuel tax, those are the blue bars, you can see it would've been sort of the static number and actually

## **MAYNARD**

somewhat decline. Again, we would not have been able – we wouldn't be where we are today, in terms of infrastructure projects, if not for indexing fuel tax to inflation. So again, this slide is very similar to the transit roadways and the fact that you'll see the revenue bars to the left, the expenditure bars to the right. And that shaded area, that represents the forecasted cash balance that we'll have in the roadway fund through 2034.

Important to note here. Again, if you look in Fiscal '24, '26, and '27, the revenues are higher and that is just due to the timing of bond issuances. Again, that cash balance, the trajectory, is not a good one. This represents, again, the projects of over 260 projects that have been identified in the CIP that are funded. However, the jurisdiction, including Clark County, your staff has forwarded to us a list of about \$2 billion worth of projects that do not have identified funding. And if the Fuel Revenue Indexing program, which discontinues in 2026, if that either goes through ballot or there's no enabling language that allows us to continue or allows the county to continue indexing fuel tax inflation past 2034, we anticipate between \$75 and \$100 million available on an annual basis for all of the jurisdictions to share for their roadway projects.

So, moving forward. We anticipate, again, a 14% increase in population over the next 10 years. I don't think we're going to slow down as being one of the fastest growing regions in the United States. It's certainly going to put existing pressure on the way we move people here in Southern Nevada.

Some of the funding challenges, again, that we're facing today, and we'll face in the future, Taxable Gallons Sold, that continues to decline. The purchase of fuel-efficient vehicles and zero emission vehicles continues to increase. The demand for mobility options, that continues to increase. We hear that a lot of the RTC for folks that want more service, they want better service. And then we're operating in this post-COVID world. Not only do you find it here in the County, but in every industry, whether it's public or private, we're seeing labor costs increase, inflation, and supply chain. It really affects the way that we're doing business today and going forward. And so, our problem today will potentially be a crisis in the future and so we have time though to address and plan what the future looks like together.

So, the biggest takeaway from today's presentation is that we have a structural problem in how we fund both roadways and transit. We are committed to using the time that we have to work with you, other elected officials, the business community, community stakeholders and residents to review policy and revenue options because it will take really a collective collaborative effort. Future efforts could include a ballot measure, extension of existing indexing, new revenue sources, a combination of solutions of the above for maintaining, improving our transportation network. And we're also committed to keeping you apprised as we engage in this crucial process. And that is my presentation. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Jones, do you have any comments?

**JONES** 

I just want to thank M.J. and her whole team for putting together this presentation and I know she and her team have briefed members of the Board so that they understand in depth and are able to have any questions answered.

I wanted to note also, one of the things that isn't listed on here, but I think also is a feather in the cap of the RTC in terms of their efforts to make sure that they go after

**JONES** 

every source of funding possible is federal grant funding. The RTC and their grants team is fantastic, and they really go after everything and that was on display yesterday. Commissioner Chair Segerblom joined me as we were at the RTC, or at the UNLV Transit Center, and the Acting Administrator for the Federal Transit Administration came with a big fat check for \$150 million, which we have cashed and are going to spend.

But we can't rely on federal funding for all that we do. That project and every other project that we have been able to obtain federal funding for requires matches and we can't make those matches unless we have long-term dedicated funding sources for the transit side in particular, but also on the roadway funding side. And so, I think our government affairs team, I know, were very active in the last legislative session working with RTC on Fuel Revenue Indexing and other possible options and I think now's the time to have those discussions. Twenty twenty-five isn't that far off and we, the county, need to be lockstep with the RTC in making sure that we address those funding challenges.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Mister Naft.

**NAFT** 

Thank you, Chairman. First of all, thank you M.J. You and Angela and your whole team who does an exceptional job for us. But you had one slide that referenced 78 small businesses that you all work with. Could you elaborate on what that program's like and why you mentioned that?

**MAYNARD** 

Yes. Thank you. M.J. Maynard for the record. That's a great question. So, we promised the community and we went out for the ballot question in 2016 that we would ensure that as we are raising these local funds through this indexing, that that local fund would stay local. And so, we have a program within the RTC that we stood up that specifically works with small, local, diverse businesses to ensure that they have all the requirements, they're ready to go, they're ready to work on some of the projects that are funded by FRI. We are committed to doing that first and foremost.

**NAFT** 

Thank you. And then I guess continuing Commissioner Jones's point about the work you do on grants. There's a lot of money for infrastructure right now, but even prior to recent years, when I was working for the federal government, you all were light years ahead of frankly any other governmental agency on going after and aggressively fighting for federal dollars for the RTC. Maybe now's not the right time, but could you follow up with us or if you want to respond briefly now on how you all structure your grant program and what some of the other agencies that we work with and work for might glean from that?

**MAYNARD** 

It's a big "go after money". No, it's a "show me the money" kind of attitude. We really take it seriously. It's our job. Our job is to go after – particularly in an industry that is subsidized, we don't generate revenues. Our job is to go after every single grant dollar. And so that's just part of just the mindset within our team. I have to acknowledge our CFO, Mark Traasdahl and his team. We have a couple of employees that are dedicated solely to working with the grants, not only for the RTC but regionally. So, we look for opportunities. We have found through, whether it's FHWA or the Federal Transit Administration, we are more successful in terms of competitively applying for grants when we do it regionally. So, we look for as many opportunities to partner with all the jurisdictions, including the County, but it's just we consider this part of the job and we

**MAYNARD** 

do keep our eye on every single grant opportunity and go after it.

**NAFT** 

Thank you.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Kirkpatrick.

KIRKPATRICK

Thank you, Mister Chairman. But I do just want to caution though, right? So, and we run into this at the Health District. When 70% of our budget is grant funded, those funds go away so there has to be a sustainable piece to keep transit in place. Correct? And really that's what we need to – grant funds are great for infrastructure one-shots and even three-year grants, but we really need to focus on the sustainable process so that going forward, no matter what it is, because I think that our community needs to have a conversation on how we move people, period. At the end of the day, whether it's special events, whether it's the farther we get out, how do we get them closer?

And so at least for me, grants are great, but I sit on the other side of the Health District where we try to make sure that they're only 50% of our budget and not 70% of our budget. So, when it comes to those conversations, I think you guys are doing a survey now, trying to ask folks things that are important because we're getting lots of calls in our office and some of the distance is where it's becoming a problem. And so, we need to really figure out how do we move people from the far Northwest or the North Las Vegas or Sandy Valley for that, right? How do we move them to the center of town and how do we pay for it? Is that a fair statement?

**MAYNARD** 

You are spot-on. And M.J. Maynard for the record. So, I'll tell you, there are many grants we don't go after because it requires a match that is long-term and sustainable. When the infrastructure law was made available, I think there was assumption, RTC, why are you not going after there's hundreds and hundreds of millions of dollars available? We didn't go after mini grants because again, we didn't have that long to your point, that long-term sustainable match. So, the federal government wouldn't – actually, if we applied the answer would be no because they do a financial scrub and so that's a very good point. We really try to be very strategic on how the grants we go after because you're right. You don't want to introduce something to the community and have to take it away so you're exactly right.

The funding model that I showed you for transit, that just represents the money that we have just to maintain the current level of service. That does not include funding for a lot of the businesses going out in the Apex region or El Dorado Valley so that, I should have noted at the time, but that funding model is strictly just about maintaining the current level search we have and not addressing, to your point, the needs, especially in outlying areas.

KIRKPATRICK

So, can I ask? So, when we go and look for resources, right? I think that one, you got to have a seat at the table when it comes to special events, what does that look like? Maybe we increase the cost to Game Day Express, right, some of those things. I mean, so in my mind, everything needs to be on the table going forward, but we also need to know what we want, right. And it has to be, and I was with a constituent this weekend and we debated back and forth about rail and I'm like, "Look, at the end of the day, there's not one type of transportation that's going to solve our issue." Right? Because rail doesn't exist everywhere. Buses can't get everywhere. The loop. And so, this is why I think that we need to have a long-term conversation of what does transportation look

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like in five years?

And one of the crazy things is the younger generation is not necessarily driving because the cost of insurance and one, they don't like to drive. It's stressful to drive in this community now. But they are taking more of the buses and more of the Ubers and maybe there's a bigger conversation on everybody that needs to contribute and what that fund looks like going forward.

**MAYNARD** 

Commissioner, I couldn't agree with you more. I mean the more mobility options that we have here in Southern Nevada, we're a very unique city. We don't have your typical downtown area. Where we are, there's this white-collar commuter going into the city in the morning and leaving the city at night. We have a Las Vegas Strip in the downtown. We are the only city that works that way, so I think we have to look at – we have to be very creative and look at every opportunity for how we move folks. It was interesting during yesterday's event, in speaking with the Federal Transit Administrator, the acting Administrator, she noted currently today that in the capital investment grant pipeline, on a national level, most of the projects are around bus rapid transit because the cost of doing business for light rail has exploded. It's very expensive and it's very difficult to do from the start. But I do think we've got to think broadly and encourage thought for all types of transportation here in Southern Nevada because we are so unique.

KIRKPATRICK

Can I ask one more question too? I have a lot of different senior communities and they're active adult senior communities and they're asking for service, right? More service. They don't want to have to call the para-transit because you're limited to what you can and can't do, but really a bus service. So, but I said, "Someone's got to pay for it. Are you going to pay for it, or do you expect us to pay for it?" I mean, the truth is, somebody has to pay for it. So can we look at opportunities where some of these larger senior communities could pay for a standard bus service that comes or something similar to the STAR that we have in Mesquite, or can we look at some of those, because I think there are some senior communities that would be willing to pay for that service. And you have got to use it, right, so it can't be one person once a month, but if there's a regular system an — we look outside the box to some of those ideas?

**MAYNARD** 

Commissioner, again, you're spot on. So, we have Silver Star with senior services right now and that's exactly what they do. They go to a senior housing complex if you will, and it's a loop service to the grocery store, the pharmacy, etc. So, I will make sure, I'll get with you in particular, but that's something we like to look at too. Because again, the law just says we don't have to provide service for our seniors, but it's the right thing to do in a community. So that's something that we are very proud that we do.

**NAFT** 

Chair.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Naft.

**NAFT** 

Just before I got a million calls about this, Game Day Express. That's a fixed route. We can't raise the price on it, can we? Because I've asked about that many times in the past.

**MAYNARD** 

That's true. So, we have to follow a lot of regulations as a public transit agency. We are not allowed to charge more than our fixed routes fare for Game Day Express because it is part of our fixed route.

NAFT So that would be the same as The Deuce and –

MAYNARD Correct.

NAFT – everything else as well.

MAYNARD Correct, yes.

NAFT Thank you.

MAYNARD But if I could.

SEGERBLOM So, I guess it goes without saying that we passed fuel indexing. Expiring is our biggest

problem, plus the fact that we have electric vehicles, so the amount of gas use is going to go down over time. So, I know that we were successful in the Legislature last time, and the governor vetoed the bill, but hopefully we can all focus on making sure that he doesn't veto next time, and we work together to make sure that we deal with the fact that electric vehicles are taking more and more of the gas away. So, the gas tax is not going to be the permanent solution. So, we need to work together on both of those things, and I know all seven of us are committed, plus all of our staff, to make sure this happens.

We cannot let transit die.

MAYNARD And thank you Chairman. So, it is significant in 2026, the indexing piece will

discontinue. It's going to have an enormous impact. Again, that funding model that you saw, while it represents funds that are available for those 200 or so projects, we've heard from your staff and others, there is still another list of about almost \$2 billion worth of projects that there's no funding identified for. And it certainly doesn't include funding for some of those areas that continue to grow. And so, 2026 will be a big deal, whether again it goes back to the vote of the people, or there's a way to get enabling legislation so it could be brought back here for consideration. But it is extremely important so that

we can continue to be the world-class city that we are.

SEGERBLOM Thank you so much. Any further questions? If not, thank you so much.

MAYNARD Thank you.

GIBSON If I could just comment, I appreciate the work that you've done in bringing this forward.

We've known for some time that we were headed this direction, and it's obvious that there are some decisions that have to be made, some here, some at other levels. But locally, the region needs to be united so that what we press for is the same thing. All that energy then gets applied to a successful effort, hopefully. Thank you very much for

this work.

**ITEM 56** Receive a report regarding the conditions of confinement at County jail facilities to include the deaths of any inmates in custody; or take other action as appropriate. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Presentation received as recommended.

SCHILLER Commissioners, we can now move to Item 56, which is to receive a report regarding the

**SCHILLER** 

conditions of confinement at county jail facilities to include the deaths of any inmates in custody or take other action as appropriate.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Good morning.

CAPTAIN NITA SCHMIDT

Hi, good morning. I am Captain Nita Schmidt. I am with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department assigned to the Clark County Detention Center, Detention Services Division, on behalf of Deputy Chief Haas who is unable to be here today.

Detention services division, our vision mission values to be the safest jail in America. We strive with everything that we do in order to reach those goals and to set the standard for American jails. The values of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department are I care, integrity, courage, accountability, respect, and excellence.

So, this presentation is going to be focused on the second half of last year. So, July 1 to the end of the year for 2023. The last half of the year our total bookings were 29,151. The total number of bookings that we had for 2023 was 57,573. The average length of stay usually varies, but it's around the same consistent amount, about 18 days for somebody to go through the process and the stay of being in CCDC. And our average daily population for the last half of the year last year, it was an average of 2,914. That's consistent. Our population usually goes between 2,800 and 2,900.

This presentation today is in response to NRS 211.030, which requires the Sheriff to, or designee to have a presentation to the County Commission regarding the conditions of confinement and the report of deaths in jails. For the last half of the year last year, we had a total of eight deaths in our facility. Seven of those deaths were at the hospital. One was within Clark County Detention Center. Four of those deaths are still pending the outcome of the medical examiner report. None of those deaths were related to suicide.

We are an accredited facility. We're accredited by both the National Commission on Correctional Healthcare. We have been continuously accredited with them since we achieved our first accreditation. In addition, in 2021, we received accreditation for our mental health services. We were one of the first in the U.S. to be able to receive this accreditation. We are scheduled for a full facility re-accreditation of our medical services at the end of this year. Also, our facility is accredited by the American Correctional Association. We received our re-accreditation last year in September and we are due for re-accreditation in 2025.

We have a number of different programs and I kind of want to talk about a couple that we have. One is our DSD Cares program. This is a program where we bring a number of different service providers into the detention center on a monthly basis. We alternate between our two main facilities, CCDC and the North Valley complex. We average around 25 to 35 different community providers that come into the jail and have kind of like an open house. We bring the inmates to them; they go around and see the different services that they would benefit from. The last part of last year, we serviced 645 inmates. The most important part of going through a program is to have a plan. The worst thing that you can do is to get out of jail and not have a plan for what you're going to do when you re-enter society.

So, this program is an award-winning program. It was put together by our officers assigned to the program section. Something that we're really proud of and something

**SCHMIDT** 

that I know a lot of other facilities have tried to duplicate. We also started a program a couple of years ago that provides MRT or Moral Recognition Therapy to inmates. This is a longer program. It's an intense program, 12 steps that is self-paced. It allows the participants to be able to go through, examine traumas that occurred, atone for those traumas, and make improvements to their own life to help move them through so that they can be more successful. One of our new initiatives is to create a mental health unit. We're still in the planning phases of this. It is a program that will allow us to have 60 jail-based mental health beds held within a single housing unit at the detention facility.

This is services that'll be targeted to these folks that are identified that will allow them to be able to proceed through the criminal justice process a little bit more quickly, and hopefully keep them from having to go on a wait list that will then place them going to competency restoration at either the northern or southern facilities provided by the state. This is huge for us. This will hopefully reduce the stays and the wait for people that are waiting for those bed spaces. The vendor that will be providing this service, they are not going to be providing competency restoration, that still per NRS is provided by the state. But this is something that we're really excited to have on board in our facility.

KIKRPATRICK Mister Chair, may I ask a question?

SEGERBLOM Of course.

KIRKPATRICK I feel like we've been talking about this for a long time, so I'm excited to see it's moving

forward.

SCHMIDT Yes ma'am.

KIRKPATRICK So, does that mean that all the construction's done and we now have – I mean is it like

NVC (North Valley Complex), or it's just throughout? Will it be one tower designated

for this?

SCHMIDT Yes, Commissioner, what it'll be is it'll be a housing unit. And I know you've been

around to both of our facilities. So ideally, it'll be one of our larger open-bay housing units, that offenders will be selected to go in that housing unit that they will receive services within the housing unit. So, it's existing structure, nothing that has to be remodeled or redone in order to have them there. So, this is separate than providing or

building another facility.

KIRKPATRICK And then so they'll also be able to – because the conversation before, I pushed for this

three, four years ago.

SCHMIDT Yes.

KIRKPATRICK So, the conversation before was that we didn't have enough room, which then I think all

the construction got done, the remodels of the existing facilities. But then the thought was so that while they're waiting for the state component, or while they're waiting, they could get the treatment and kind of get back on track. So, can we have a bigger

conversation about what this is going to look like at some point? Because I feel like we

must've just moved a mountain this week. So, it's a good thing.

**SCHMIDT** 

Absolutely. I have another slide on the construction. The construction project is still ongoing. The south tower is under renovation, and that has caused us to displace, but I'm happy to report that there's space in the jail. This is something that 15, 20 years ago, 22 years ago when I was hired onto the department, we didn't have this kind of space to be able to do. And there's a number of different reasons, and I know that the participation of several of you in the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council and trying to find ways to have the people that need to stay in jail, be in jail, and the other folks to be able to rejoin and become successful members of the community. We have room to be able to support this.

And so, I don't know if there will be a further expansion on this. Our concern is that with the wait time that it takes for people to get competency restoration, that there's something that can be done within the jail. And I know that there was a couple of different models that Washoe County was looking at as well as another model here locally. This is something that we are willing to take up and start to run with the planning.

KIRKPATRICK

Well, it'll be important at some point, because I think Commissioner Jones, didn't they tell us that the State was getting ready to submit their application to CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) so we can get reimbursement for many of these clients within our jail system? So, it'll be important that we can go to our congressional delegation to kind of move that along. Right? So, the congressional legislation was passed two years ago, and only one state has been able to move through the process. So, it'll be important that you all are side by side with us so that we can push the envelope to get the reimbursement as well as the services that they need.

**SCHMIDT** 

Absolutely. And we'll continue those discussions. Something else I know that we've been talking about for some time, and something that we are super excited about, is our Medication Assistant Treatment or MAT programming that we have within the jail. This is something that we've had at a smaller scale for the last several years. The expansion of this program is huge for us and it's huge for the population that are in our facilities. So, this is a medication-assisted treatment program for people who are in custody and have opiates or other drug addictions. They self-admit to get into the program. We also have services that are provided to identify some people that may be a good fit. They receive one of three FDA-approved treatments.

And the key part is once somebody gets out of jail, we lose our relationship with them. So, we don't have the ability to continue to follow on with them. This program allows there to be a discharge plan that's developed to be able to have that warm handoff so that people are much more successful re-entering into the community. This program started; we just kicked it off February 1. We were told that probably we would be around 15, 30 people. I checked on it the other day, we were at 80. So, it's been huge. I think it'll continue to take off. I know that when I checked in on them as well, they have referred 103 folks to community resources after they get released from the facility. So, this is a really big thing and I hope to continue to report fantastic numbers on this.

Some different initiatives and things that we have done, or we have been looking at is we implemented a signs-of-life-bracelet monitoring. This is a device that is affixed to somebody, it's a bracelet. This is specifically targeted towards people who are at a critical medical phase. It's a technology that's somewhat similar to what you would have in your Apple Watch, but it monitors certain wellness standards, vitals, that kind of

**SCHMIDT** 

thing, in order to ensure that people are still well and also that we can get emergency medical response to them quickly. We have 50 of those bracelets that are currently being used in our facility.

And then last, as you talked about a little bit about the construction and initiatives. The north tower was renovated. Just a couple of years ago it completed renovation. That portion of the CCDC was built in 1984, the South Tower was opened in 2002. So that area that's connected to the left of the north tower at CCDC started a major demolition for a very big renovation project in January of this year. It should be wrapping up for completion at the end of 2028, knock on wood. This renovation will be major improvements to plumbing, cameras, technology. I mean, if you could imagine having what a cell phone was like in 2002 versus what you could get today, that's the level of renovation that we have. So that's caused us to do a little bit of displacement and having to move people around and make sure that we have room. And I'm happy with our current population being what it is that we have the ability to do that. And that concludes the presentation. Any questions?

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Jones.

**JONES** 

Thank you. I just want to say thank you so much. I've got the opportunity to work over the last year or so, traveled Miami, seeing some of the best practices. And I just want to say between you and Chief Haas, you guys are truly committed to doing what's best for the people who are unfortunately in our incarcerated system. And it was interesting to Commissioner Kirkpatrick's point that we've been working on this for a long time. I had reached out to you about a program that NACO had put together a couple of years ago.

**SCHMIDT** 

I know, and I owe you some info on that. I started working on it and then I moved. I didn't forget about you though, I promise you. Stepping up.

**JONES** 

No, I just wanted to note that Captain is the only person from Metro left who actually was part of that program by NACO that was really trying to find a better way to help those who are in our jail system. And so, I appreciate your commitment captain or Chief Haas's commitment to make this happen. And lots of talk and over the last year and a half really pushing this across the finish line to get these programs actually up and running. And with the work that Miss Frierson and the team have been doing to get other diversion programs in place, I think we're in such a better place than were a year ago and it's only going to get better.

**SCHMIDT** 

We are and thank you for that. And this is an exciting time for us because you get to see some of the fruits of the work that we've put in over the course of the year. I know it takes a long time to move a big ship, and having some of these national best practices, and getting to see what other communities are doing that are very radical in making some significant changes in deflection, diversion, and reentry services. So, thank you for your continued support and partnership and helping us to move forward on these things.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Naft.

**NAFT** 

Thank you, Chairman. Thank you very much. I just wanted to raise an issue. I'd spoke briefly with Deputy Chief Hoss about this recently. But an issue that was brought to my attention regarding radios and non-lethal weapons within the Detention Center. I've

NAFT since spoken with Miss Colvin and County Management, but if we could work together

towards a solution there, and maybe if there's an opportunity to brief the rest of the board on what's going on there, I think that would be helpful. But particularly if you

could work with Miss Colvin to find a remedy, I think that'd be great.

And I know on your side you're working through logistics solutions and others, but I

think it'd be really helpful if we could be part of the solution.

SCHMIDT Absolutely.

NAFT Thank you.

SCHMIDT We will make contact.

SEGERBLOM So, thank you so much. I know you work for the Sheriff, but because you work at our

jail, I feel like you work for us too. So, thank you so much for being part of the County. We also are in perfect timing because we have the County Manager who's very familiar with this issue, Assistant County Manager Frierson, who's very familiar with this issue, and Commissioner Jones who's really into this. So collectively, we're ready to work with you and for you in anything you need. So please don't hesitate to ask for more

resources and just whatever it takes. Thank you so much.

SCHMIDT Thank you. Thank you. And I also run your Constable's office, so thank you for your

continued support. I hear a lot from your partners that you have, so thank you.

SEGERBLOM Thank you.

**ITEM 57** Receive a report from Clark County's Non-Voting Member on the Clark County School District Board of Trustees. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** Report received as recommended.

SCHILLER Commissioners. Item 57 is to receive a report from Clark County's non-voting member

on the Clark County School District Board of Trustees.

SEGERBLOM This is the report we've been all waiting for.

LISA SATORI Hello. Good morning, Mister Chairman.

SEGERBLOM Good morning.

SATORI Sorry, am I good? Okay. Members of the Board, my name is Lisa Satori, for the record.

I am the appointed trustee for Clark County. I am a non-voting member to the Clark County School District. First of all, I want to take a moment to say thank you so much for your support of Assembly Bill 175, and the ability to serve in this role and really to help to make a difference for our students and our families in our education in the Clark County School District, and also hopefully bridge that gap with the community and help increase that collaboration and communication. I also want to thank you for the support I've received to help carry out this bill in the fullest intent that it was written for. So, to be able to help us really contribute, and ask appropriate questions, and really be able to

make a difference in CCSD.

So, just want to take the time at this for this quarterly update, it is my first quarter in the job on the role. Just want to give you a little bit of background, and just kind of what's taken place so far and then where I'm headed, moving into my second quarter. This is not comprehensive, but just some of the things I've been involved in already as far as getting some – really this quarter has been very involved in research, connections, just getting to know my new role as much as possible and asking a lot of questions. And I've really made a commitment to be as involved as possible, attend as many things as come my way, really connect with a lot of our community members, family members, visit schools, visit a lot of the events that are taking place and such. So, it's just kind of a breakdown there.

I've also have had the opportunity to attend some of the honor roll celebrations of the schools and be present at those. A lot of trainings have taken place, which has been very helpful really to help me, like I said, understand the Clark County School District Board, and attending some meetings with some of the other entities, Teachers Health Trust and CCEA (Clark County Education Association), attending some conferences. I attended NASB (NSBA-National School Board Association) conference in Reno, I attended a legislative conference. And then a lot of work sessions that have taken place in addition to the board meetings. There's a lot of those that I've been attending and getting familiar with. I've also had the opportunity to attend some of our jurisdictional meetings and some of those briefings. It's been great. The County staff has been fantastic and really connected me with a lot of our programs and services so I can make some connections there, know who to reach out to, know who to ask questions of. And so that has been very informative as well.

And also, in addition to meeting with some of our Commissioners, since this was prepared, I also had the opportunity to meet with Commissioner Kirkpatrick as well. I look forward to continuing those and just getting feedback. I really want feedback from each of you. Just any questions you have, things that you really want me to help speak for and push for in the meetings, and especially as agenda items come up, if there's any questions or anything I can do that you're hearing from our constituents that I can help bring to the CCSD board.

One of the things I'm getting really involved in right now is our restorative justice coalition meetings. As I was familiarizing myself with some of the data that was present in from CCSD, I noticed that for Clark County, the expulsions and suspensions were quite high in comparison to the other municipalities. So that was of great concern. So, I really am trying to get involved in some of those meetings that take place regularly. Try to get a little bit more of an understanding of the root cause of some of those, and how we can help move that needle to reduce those numbers of suspensions and expulsions.

And then this was very helpful. I was provided with this breakdown of education priorities and so this has been very useful for me to know what some of the key interest areas, areas of focus for me. So, I kind of just wanted to take each of these and break it down to a little bit, at least in the first quarter, what I've been able to touch base on so far in the role. So educational priorities, I've been able to attend some of the meetings on campuses that are being rebuilt, and meet with some of those families, and hear their concerns, know the process that's taking place there. Also, some of the zoning meetings that have taken place. We will be doing town hall meetings. We are up for – our Focus 2024 Strategic Plan is expiring now. So, we are in the process of creating a new

strategic plan. So that is very good timing to be in this role on the Board, because it is the beginning of a new strategic plan. So, to be able to be involved with that, with the Council of Great City Schools, there will be town hall meetings taking place throughout. Those town hall meetings will also be used for the superintendent search. So, one of the suggestions was really to connect with our rural schools and providing virtual town hall meetings. However, I really have a goal to do as many of those in person as possible. I really want to be at those schools and meet with the administration, meet with the families, really get a better connection of the needs of our rural schools and communities.

Truancy, the other key data point that really stuck out to me a lot was the chronic absenteeism rate. And again, seeing that one higher than some of our comparable municipalities.

So, I've been able to meet with school police and attended the joint Interim Standing Committee on education meeting to just kind of understand what some of the things that are being done currently in the District. One thing recently, we have seen a reduction. We are seeing overall across the District a reduction in chronic absenteeism, which is good. It's obviously not where we need it to be, but we are seeing the numbers start to go down. The District did allocate a specific department to chronic absenteeism, and I look forward to seeing the results of that, and really having some targeted staff at there. One of the things they're also doing is going out and additionally doing town halls at the schools that are our highest on chronic absenteeism, and attending those schools, and doing town halls with the students to really try to get student feedback during the school day so that they are present, they're there and getting some input. In addition, schools can request those meetings. But every school does have a Restorative Justice committee, meaning they look a little bit different in every school as far as who they're comprised of, when they meet, what is taking place. So that's another area of focus of mine is to really connect with those committees and the work that they're doing and see how we can support moving the needle on chronic absenteeism as well.

Mental health supports was also included in the educational priorities updates. So, this was presented by interim superintendent Brenda Larsen-Mitchell, just updating on some of the MOAs (Memorandum of Agreements) with Southern Nevada Health District was renewed, some other new MOAs to be able to provide increased oral health screenings and exams. And then the vision consultants, Hazel Health as it expanded to 10 additional offices for physical telehealth, which is something that definitely is key in some of our communities, to be able to provide the services more directly to them instead of them having to go to the doctor.

I was really happy in the goals to see for the following school year. Well, the goals for the school year include the following and moving forward, really on gaining support from additional community partners. And I know that was one of the areas that we were really wanting to help make those connections with more of our community partners versus CCSE doing so much in-house. And especially with the struggle and funding for mental health supports and those positions, to be able to really connect with our community supports that are already existing, and that we can provide some connections there for families.

And in communication requests. So, like I said, I did do some of the debriefs with our programs Juvenile Justice, a number of other services that we have. I really want to

schedule some in-person visits. That's my goal for the next upcoming quarter, and staff has been talking to them about getting those scheduled. I want to be doing some during the school year for those that need to be done during the school year, and then some of them taking place in the summer so I can just really get into those facilities, make those connections, and see what the needs are there.

Then like I said, building those communities through the town hall and school visits. I'll also be attending graduations and things like that. Just as many opportunities I can to just... That's really been the outpouring of feedback that I've gotten from families is just the desire to be able to have their voices heard. And that's where I think a lot of the disconnect feels right now of just not having enough opportunities for that. So as many of those town halls and school visits as I can do, I think it'll better help prepare me to allow our community to have their voice heard as well.

In research and analysis, I've been reviewing the government structure and attending trainings there as well. Like I said, we're doing work with the Council of Great City Schools and that's a very lengthy process of outlining and working on that strategic plan. And they work with a lot of large districts, so they definitely have experience in servicing large school districts such as ours, particularly navigating this area of the new superintendent search.

There was a question on there regarding discussions related to the potential break-up of CCSD at this time. I had not heard any further discussion in this quarter as I've been there, so I don't have any updates there.

And then as far as data, I've really been trying ask a lot of questions and seeing further data broken down. A lot of the data we've seen, I want to see some more growth data. I've been looking at what our proficiency rates are currently, and it's concerning, particularly in the area of ELA (English Language Arts), not seeing – we're seeing some growth in math, but ELA, we're seeing actually some drops and proficiency level, if not stagnated. So, I'm really wanting to access some growth data to kind of help identify why is our proficiency not increasing and possibly decreasing in some grade levels.

So, really, just being able to request some of those data and then some of the data reports that come to us, it's provided in a template currently. So, as we've been getting those data presented, we've been given the opportunity to ask for the things that we'd like to see in the future on the template. So, there's not as much breakdowns as I'd like to see for the municipalities, for breaking down some of the subgroups and populations, breaking down by diversity, some of those that I really want to see more of. So, it's been great to have that feedback going into our next meetings that we can request to get a little bit more of that information, so that way I can bring it back to you and answer some of those questions as well.

And community engagement. And I said we really are just in the initial process of the superintendent search. So, we will be – have a meeting this week to discuss the search firm that we're going to use and then, going out into doing those town halls and then, doing the national search. I've been reaching out to some of our prior CCSD trustees who have taken part in some of those previous superintendent searches, just to get their feedback, "What worked well? What didn't? What firm did you use? What did you think of them?" And then, some of the feedback as well was to really, beyond the interviewing process, go to those communities. So, once we narrow it down to our top

two or three, to really go to those communities, try to do further research, and really get a feel of beyond how someone does in an interview. So, it's really important to go out and see them in action. But a lot of that will also be based on what the needs are for the community, what they're wanting to see in their next superintendent. We definitely want to see results. We need results. We also need a superintendent that's really going to bring the community together, because a lot of what, in my opinion, is what is holding us back from achieving the results we want is just a lot of the divisiveness and being able to get behind our superintendent and really have a unified focus. So that will be great in just going out into those communities and hearing what they're wanting to see and helping make sure that, when we're going out in the searches, that we can be looking for that. That will be our intent of just taking that feedback as we're doing that search process. And like I said, that is the process that we're engaged in currently. The search from those town halls will be kind of a structured, so that that way we're getting the same information. So as far as the questions that are asked and the topics that are opposed, will be consistent across all of our town halls that we're attending, so that way we can kind of put all that information together. They will also be helping guiding us through that process. Don't know really length of time is kind of a little unclear. I know we have, ideally, getting it done by next school year would be fantastic, as far as though how the process goes and not having been through that before, I do know it takes quite some time. And then, sometimes, people drop out or then, we also are up for an election year, so there's going to be four of those seats that are up for election, so how that will impact the search as well.

And then, attracting superintendents when superintendents does want to know who they're working for. So definitely, as a Board, we need to come to it as a unified Board, very clear and concise of what we're looking for, make it attractive, make sure that we definitely sell our wonderful community that they will be coming to work for and the wonderful things that, there's challenges, for sure, there's challenges, but there's some fantastic things that's taking place. So, we want to make sure that we can go out and get the best of the best to come to Clark County.

And so, that is all I have for the presentation. I do know that, at the next meeting, a representative from CCSD is coming to present the data. So unfortunately, I'm out of the country on that date, but I'd be happy to follow up and attend after that, if there's questions related to that data. Or like I said, feel free to reach out to me at any time, if I can help address any of the things that, when they present that data to you, that is broken down by municipality, that I can hopefully be able to address those as a follow-up.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Kirkpatrick.

**KIRKPATRICK** 

Thank you. First and foremost, I just want to say thank you, because it's a big job that you've taken on and you've really tried to engage in the conversation. And my concern is and always has been kids are getting left behind today, and the longer we go without recruiting teachers and all that other, it just gets worse by the minutes. So, I applaud you, because I watched the meetings, just to poke myself in the eyeballs. And they really don't want to hear from the parents, but I feel like you do. And this is why you're a good representative for us. And it bothers me that you can't even put anything on the agenda. So, they love to say that it's a community problem. Well, how about you let the community put something on the agenda? I just don't get it, and it troubles me. Because that was not the intent of where we were trying to get to.

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But there's a couple of things coming up in the next two weeks that we're not even talking about or the School Board's not talking about, right? CBAP testing is coming up. That's kind of where we kind of gauge kids in fourth grade on where they're supposed to do sixth grade, eighth grade, but yet, there's no communication to parents on tips that they can do to help kids. There's no study packets for homework. And so, those are things that I would go out into my District. I was on the phone with a parent this morning, "Parallelogram, how would you do that?" And I said, "Well, play I Spy in the house, so that you can go see what a parallelogram is."

Because on paper, not everybody's a test taker, but where is that day to day? And I can't rely on the principals, because they come and go, and they really are told not to let us into the schools and all of those things. But why is the School Board not talking about that stuff? Thank God that we're done with 2024 plan, because we didn't accomplish anything. I'd like to see what we did accomplish, but I want to help. But tell me how to help, and I want to know what that conversation is like. I don't want to have to go through an act of Congress to give kids a certificate.

I don't want to have to — I want to put them on a bus to take them to the camp across the valley, but it's an act of Congress and we know how long that takes. It could be years, kids have moved on, but how can I help? And how can you have that conversation to tell me how to help? So, I'll give you a for instance, which I'm picking my battle for the next time they come, so fellows be prepared. But one of the things that we find with the high schools, the safety component, so we met with principals in our District, and we said, "Hey, let us put some license plate readers around, because they tend to be far out, we can't get there. Maybe there's a way that, in the event of a crime, that we could find them." Principal's gung-ho to do it, only to be told by the District, "Absolutely not." And only to be told that I have to reach out to the Chair. It doesn't work like that for us. I'm trying to say Metro needs help, because you guys can't do and we're your backup and where's the mutual aid? There is none. And now, here we are. It takes government a long time to — we could have had them in by the school year, but the answer is no and I got to reach out to the Chair to discuss. I don't understand. What are they doing for safety, right?

Yeah, yeah. Safety definitely is a huge priority. It's a regular basis that we're hearing safety concerns. So definitely. And the license plate readers, I can research that and look into it and see –

Metro offered to manage the data for them. So, I'm just, how do we give you things and how do we help when the answer is no? Listen, open doors, open schools, good luck to you. My entire career has been about that. They don't want us into schools, they don't want to be partners. So, I don't waste my time on it anymore. At the end of the day, we'll just continue to duplicate stuff, but at the same time, I just really want to know how to be a partner. And I applaud you. Thank God that you're there, because maybe we can have some real discussion. But when you're looking at the new priorities, kids learn in a happy environment, right?

Absolutely. Absolutely. That's 100% my philosophy.

Parents are engaged in school when they're allowed. So, if that's not part of the conversation and you're just looking at data, we're going to repeat what we got. I applaud you. Thank you for meeting with me. I want to be engaged. We try to include

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the schools in my district, but I want to know how Clark County can be helpful. And at some point, I should have asked on Emerging Issues, I want to understand these referral systems, so all these entities that they have within the schools, they're referral systems to Clark County, but we get this much information, and we don't know what to do with it. So, I want to —

**SEGERBLOM** 

Was that a question?

KIRKPATRICK

Yeah. Well, it's a question for you could pre-warn them that I'm going to ask, how do these referral systems work? And they got to give us enough information to do things and maybe they got to let CPS (Child Protective Services) come do some trainings. Because they are required reporters, and look, we're not the enemy, right? We're here to protect kids. So, thank you.

**SATORI** 

Thank you.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Thank you. Commissioner Jones?

**JONES** 

Yep. Thank you, Mister Chair. Thank you for a ditto to Commissioner Kirkpatrick, in terms of thank you for rolling up your sleeves and digging in on this stuff. One issue that I know you're aware of, this Board's taken it on with regards to student safety, getting to and from schools. Obviously, we made the decision to spend the money on crossing guards for middle schools, which was unprecedented. In meeting with one of my principals in my District recently, who expressed to me that one of the biggest issues that she had with regards to truancy was that parents don't feel safe walking their kids to school or allowing their kids to go to school. And quite frankly, that's partly on us, the County, to make sure that those kids, those parents feel safe getting to and from school. Safe Routes to School is one person. It's not enough to cover the entire District. Clark County's Public Works has essentially one person that deals with this issue, and unfortunately, we have Andrew Bennett, our director of traffic safety, who is very much focused on it. I was out there with him this morning at my son's middle school, along with Metro, doing enforcement, etc. But I think one thing that would be helpful to us is, as you are talking to folks and you're interacting with the other jurisdictions, how are they interfacing with the School District when it comes to Safe Routes to School and their own Public Works departments to make sure that kids and parents feel safe allowing their kids to walk or bike to school?

**SATORI** 

Okay. Yeah, thank you. I will ask about that and try to get some more information and see how it's being handled in other jurisdictions.

KIRKPATRICK

And I was just going to be mean and say, what do you guys do with the \$140,000 that the Health District gives you for education? Because I've never seen a flyer. Just curious. I'd like to take that money back and give it to Clark County, where we could actually educate folks.

**SEGERBLOM** 

Commissioner Gibson?

**GIBSON** 

Thank you, Mister Chair. We appreciate the fact that you're willing to put your name in and to be appointed. And when I went through the materials and assessed what we had in front of us, a lot of interested people, but you stood out to me because of your background. You had real success. What we need is some of that success at the District.

**GIBSON** 

**SATORI** 

My questions are maybe a little more general. When you look at what we got out of the Legislature in Assembly Bill 175, we're learning, over the course of time, that the impact of it, from the outside anyway, appears to be pretty well suppressed, and I've wondered what the positives are from your perspective and what needs to be done to improve the impact of an appointment of someone like yourself to that Board.

Yes, thank you. Great question. Yeah, and I will say, initially, when we came into the role, I think there was some hesitation, some pushback, some resistance as well. As time has gone, I think we've done a really good job. I feel like those of us that have been appointed to these roles have really worked well together. We have a very common vision. Many of us come from education backgrounds, and the intent for us is to provide support, to utilize our background, to help, to ask questions, to do what we can to serve. So, I think that, as time has gone, I've really gotten a lot of great feedback from the other Board members, as well as a lot from the community and a lot from some of the other group organizations that attend. I know the CCASAPE (Clark County Association of School Administrators), the Administrators group as well, they've said that they did a survey, a lot of good support and us being able to have a more increased role, be able to do more in our role.

But I think we've taken what we have, even though it's non-voting position, I really think that we've had the opportunity; I have seen in a lot of discussions that have come up, that what we have said has made an impact on the decision making that's taken place. So, I think that has been very apparent as we're sitting there. I can definitely see that we are being listened to. I have felt that way. And so, I think that, as time goes, we will continue to be able to help more and more. But like I said, we're doing a lot of being able to contribute without being able to vote. We're still able to contribute a lot to influence that. Definitely, as we keep going, I think the role will hopefully continue to evolve and become, as it goes up for legislature again, hopefully be able to get some of those voting rights and ability to put things on agendas. Because particularly the agenda item, there are some things that we are passionate about or that we have seen, and so, having the opportunity to bring it forth for discussion would be very powerful.

So those are the things I'd like to see in the future. And I think, I know when I attend the NASB (NSBA) conferences and meetings, other school boards from around the state, they're very interested in the structure and seeing how it's going. There's definitely a lot of eyes on it and seeing how it progresses and hoping that it does start to bring what has unfortunately been a pretty divided Board, trying to bring it together. And then, as we adopt our new members, hopefully, we can continue those efforts with them.

And when we meet, you and I can have maybe a bit more candid conversation about some of the things that we need to work on, so that we can get to what we hoped would come from this action. But thank you for your service and thank you for the words, the instruction you've given us today, and the help that you're providing to us. We look forward to a long relationship.

Thank you very much. Me too.

Well, all I can say is whatever we're paying you, we're not paying you enough, and I don't think we're actually paying you. So that's the first thing we got to do is raise everybody's salaries. So, thank you so much for serving.

**GIBSON** 

SATORI

**SEGERBLOM** 

SEGERBLOM In response to your comment, Commissioner Jones, Henderson actually has a

department in the city that deals with education, and they coordinate with not only the public schools but with the charter schools too. And they do a lot of those things you're talking about. So that's one thing I think we could look forward to, going forward.

Seeing no further, thank you so much.

SATORI Thank you. Appreciate it.

SEGERBLOM And good luck.

ITEM 58 Go into closed session, pursuant to NRS 241.015(4)(c) as amended by AB52, to receive information from the District Attorney regarding potential or existing litigation involving a matter over which the Board has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power, and to deliberate toward a decision on the matter, and pursuant to NRS Chapter 288.220, to receive a report on the status of ongoing labor negotiations; and direct staff accordingly. (For possible action)

**ACTION:** No closed session was held. No action was taken by the Board.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

SCHILLER Commissioners, that concludes your formal agenda. We can now move to the second

section set aside for public comment.

SEGERBLOM And I'm not sure if we asked for it now, but we don't have any legal. All right, this is the

second period of a public comment. You're free to speak for three minutes on any item. When you speak, please give us your first and last name and spell your last name. And

feel free to use less than three minutes.

MARGARET ANN COLEMAN Yes. Good morning or afternoon. My name is Margaret Ann Coleman C-O-L-E-M-A-N. Reside at 1316 Wizard. Here is my card. My motive for being here or coming here, I tried getting in contact with Commissioner or Chairman McCurdy to talk with him concerning me spending my income and conducting, with the Board of Commissioners, up on correction to stop theft, that has been placed upon your shoulder of my income and my pension money. As Commissioner Jones spoke, \$50 million was cash checked by you. That was my money from the pension supervisor of the Culinary, and this is my understanding. I come before you to stop the five Ds: discrimination, disrespect to me, dishonesty, denied, and disqualifying.

You are under misconduct, us getting with the PEGA and creating my life at a threat while I live at 1316 Wizard. You have placed my family member into emotional stress, as I have been since I've been at 1316 Wizard. I want to be a team player and have a career, and you have stopped me from doing that. And that is a misconduct up on your part. I requested Commissioner Curvy (Commissioner McCurdy) to contact me concerning me being a team player and spending my money. I would like to receive my reimbursement to go forward. Now, I'm discussing Item 34 for you to adapt and correct the problem and authorize a solution for the refund, as Exhibit A.

I have come forth to you many of times wanting to move forward, and you have not given me the opportunity. Marilyn Kirkpatrick has only spoke of death, suicide, drug program, approving them. In the back of my home, I have an intruder that has seemed to put me under emotional stress that I have to be, again, a snitch. And I'm not a snitch, I'm a whistleblower. I tried to catch the thieves behind the desk.

SEGERBLOM Thank you, Miss Coleman. Next person.

UEHLING You told me you already know me –

SEGERBLOM Well, no, I do need you to at least state your name. We know how to spell it.

UEHLING Okay. Ed Uehling. Regarding the transportation issue, two things were not discussed

that I think should be discussed. They're under, at least one of them, is totally under the control of the County Commission, and that is the growth pattern that the County Commission has accepted, which is sprawl. Sprawl creates transportation problems. If we encouraged building up, particularly in the center of the city, instead of building out, it would be much easier to fill the buses. It'll be much easier to reduce traffic, and at the same time, you conserve water. Because apartment buildings or condo buildings use

much less water than single-family residences.

A suggestion about the education I just read yesterday that China is accepting, I think it's 50,000 American students to study in China, and that would be very useful for our economy here in Las Vegas, at least the way it used to be, where the Chinese people have a lot of money come here and gamble and really enjoy being in the environment that we have here. If our students knew how to speak Chinese, which they would learn if they went and studied in China, among many other things, because the school regimen there is much stricter than it is here and much more useful, productive, I should say, having those students know Chinese would be a huge advantage for our city.

Then the third thing is that homeless people are being allowed to inhabit the creek that flows between the airport and the Virgin Hotel, that people were kept out of that area during the whole F1 thing. And so, it is possible to do something about that, and I would hope that it will be done, because they're starting to flow into the street also and will certainly cause a lot of problems for the people living there.

SEGERBLOM Thank you, Mister Uehling. Mister Romero?

FERNANDO ROMERO Yes. Good morning. I submitted a card with two items.

SEGERBLOM I'm sorry. Could you state your name and last name and spell your last name?

ROMERO I'm sorry. Like this?

SEGERBLOM Yes.

ROMERO Gracias. I submitted a card with two items to speak on.

SEGERBLOM I'm sorry. I need you to state your name, full name, and spell your last name for the

record, even though I know your name.

ROMERO My name is Fernando Romero, R-O-M-E-R-O, 3970 Captain Jon Avenue, Las Vegas,

89104. And I submitted two items. I'd like to speak on the one that Miss Satori just spoke on. This is the public forum, and you are a public commission. You are for the public. You are for public education. As a result, to appoint a person to a highly qualified person, I might add, to the Trustee Board, who is employed by a charter

**ROMERO** 

school, whose CEO is a State Senator, that creates law, to create a law that has no teeth at all, I think is, really, is something that I, as a public person, am concerned about. For five years, we fought – we the black and the brown communities, fought to get rid of an individual, who was very detrimental to our children, our students, and hopefully, that the person that you have appointed votes in favor of seeking a superintendent outside of Brenda Larsen-Mitchell, who, five years ago, after we passed, including the School Board, passed the master plan for ELL, English Language Learners, she, along with Jara, worked against it and never – well, they got rid of the program. Let me put it that way. The person that they hired, Ignacio Ruiz, was never allowed to perform his duties. And in fact, Ignacio is now superintendent of Las Cruces and New Mexico School System. But I do hope that you, as a Board, dictate to the person that you appointed, that the Board, or at least her voice, not her vote, obviously, goes in favor of seeking a superintendent outside of the local and present administration. That would help and boost the community morale tremendously. I am the President of Hispanics in Politics, a 44-year-old Latino political organization, the oldest in the State of Nevada. For the past 29 years, as of March of this year, we have celebrated on a monthly basis a meeting.

SEGERBLOM Okay, you have five minutes. Five seconds, I mean.

ROMERO Thank you. I understand. I want to go into Item 47, the vendors –

SEGERBLOM I'm sorry, your three minutes are up, Mister Romero. So, but anyway, I think she heard you cloud and clear and hopefully, without committing her vote, which she doesn't

have, she will support a search for a new superintendent.

ROMERO Well, there's two different items though.

SEGERBLOM Yeah, we can't comment on items at this point. At this point, you just get three minutes,

and you took it. Thank you. Anyone else wishing to speak? Seeing no one, we will close

the public hearing and – oh, darn.

RACHEL RICHARDSON Hello, my name is Rachel Richardson née McCallister. I am actually commenting on

Item Number 33, the quick claim deed conveying the property to the prior owner or successor in interest and any other documents necessary to complete the transaction. My family happens to be the Hinmans, the Boggs, the Winfries. There has been a lot of land and property that has been stolen from my family, so I want it to be on public record, just as the County was able to quick claim this back. There is a tort issue coming up, but you have been served notice. You have been forewarned that this is something that we are going to be doing, and just as much as the County was able to quick claim this property back to where it belonged to and who it naturally was, we do expect the same

thing within our family. God bless you.

SEGERBLOM Thank you. Anyone else here? Seeing no one, we'll close the public hearing, and this

meeting is in recess until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

APPROVED:	/s/ Tick Segerblom
	TICK SEGERBLOM, CHAIR
ATTEST:	/s/ Lynn Marie Goya
	LYNN MARIE GOYA, COUNTY CLERK

recessed the meeting to the hour of 9 a.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, for the Zoning agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, at the hour of 11:33 a.m., Chair Tick Segerblom