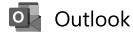


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**October 9th Council Meeting - Public Comment and Support for Agenda Item D.4**

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**Public Comment and Support for Agenda Items D.4**

Manager Bryant and Members of the Reno City Council,

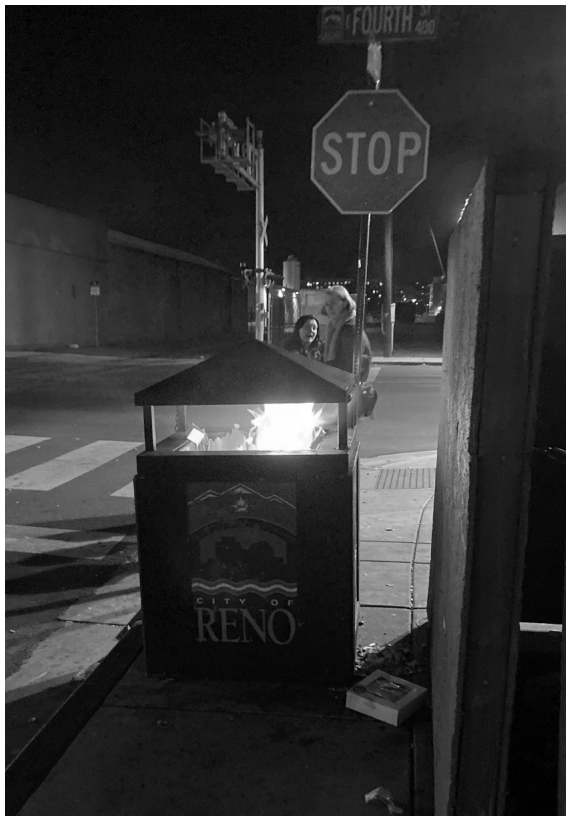
My name is Chris Reilly and my wife & I have renovated, or are renovating, the properties at 306, 400, and 424 E. 4th Street in the Brewery District (The Jesse, Estella, The Morris, and Abby's Highway 40). We are commenting in full support of taking next steps for item D.4 to allocate a portion of the pending ARPA funding to a refresh of safer downtown trashcans.

Since we've been operating on 4th street, we have encountered the existing trash cans on fire multiple times due to the open top design (photos below). We were beyond fortunate that a member of our staff was leaving our restaurant and called the fire department before the trashcan fire caught the adjacent wall. Also, one of these trashcans is leaning against a fence + electrical box that is now utilized as a restroom.

The proposed plan would more than double the number of trashcans downtown with a clean design that will be much more manageable for all, and improve the feel of 4th streets improved sidewalks + street. There is a real plan here that can be quickly executed, and this is sensible investment that can help the Downtown Reno Partnership more effectively keep our downtown clean and safe, and we fully support it.

Thank you for all that you do!

- Chris





*In August this trashcan was on fire overnight on Record Street outside of the Gospel Mission.*



*During the day this same trashcan is full most afternoons, and is also a magnet for trash thrown all around it that I see the ambassadors constantly having to power wash and clean up.*



*This one is leaning against a fence and electrical box. The trashcan was moved and has created an alcove that is often used as a restroom.*

