

**Exhibit D - Ward 2
Neighborhood Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

**Approved Minutes
City of Reno Ward 2 Neighborhood Advisory Board Hybrid Meeting
Moana Nursery Seminar Room, 1190 West Moana Ln. Reno, NV
Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 5:30 PM**

A. Introductory Items

A1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Vice Chair Taylor called the Ward 2 Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. Staff Liaison Alvarez took roll call. NAB Members Hal Taylor, David Titzel, Stacey Shinn, Patrick Fisher, Donna Keats, and Pierce Donovan were present. NAB Members Mimi Fujii-Strickler, Stan Dowdy, Audrey Keller, and Roman Schomberg were absent. A quorum was established.

Councilmember/Vice Mayor Naomi Duerr and Community Liaison Jenifer Alvarez were also present.

A2. Public Comment

A member of the public commented on the importance of notifications for proposed development projects. Another member of the public asked about actions taken by the City to address the homeless population.

A3. Approval of the Agenda for December 17, 2024

Staff Liaison Alvarez requested a change in the order of Agenda Items B1 and C1.

MOTION: Upon motion by NAB Member Titzel, seconded by NAB Member Keats, the agenda for November 19th was approved unanimously with the noted change. NAB Members Fujii-Strickler, Dowdy, Keller, and Schomberg were absent.

A4. Approval of the Minutes for November 19, 2024.

MOTION: Upon motion by NAB Member Titzel, seconded by NAB Member Donovan, the minutes for November 19th were approved unanimously. NAB Members Fujii-Strickler, Dowdy, Keller, and Schomberg were absent.

**A.5 Council Liaison Report – Item for general announcements and informational items only.
No action may be taken on this item.**

Councilmember Duerr discussed improvements to the Lear Theater. She advised that the theater is close to the Ward 2 boundaries and noted that she is the Council Liaison to the Reno Historical Commission. She advised that State Historical Preservation had approved the perimeter fence after initially turning the project down. She also discussed that the wild horse fencing completed with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding was 80% complete and noted that Phase 2 of the fencing had been approved by Council. She stated that she is asking RTC for funding to complete the project.

Vice Chair Taylor stated that if anyone is interested in getting involved in the Lear, now is the time for action to preserve its history and architecture. Councilmember Duerr said that in her experience, big public projects like the Lear take place slowly over a period of ten to twenty years.

NAB Members also sought clarification on Nevada property tax depreciation methodology and Home Rule versus Dillon's Rule.

A.6 Staff Liaison Report – Item for general announcements and informational items only. No action may be taken on this item.

Staff Liaison Alvarez announced the Menorah Lighting scheduled to take place on December 25th. She stated that the next Ward 2 NAB Meeting will be held on January 21st.

Agenda Item B1 (Draft City of Reno Public Art Master Plan Update) was presented after Development Project Agenda Item C1.

C. Development Projects (For Discussion Only) - Following presentations by the project's developer or representative, NAB members and the public will have the opportunity to ask questions about the project and provide feedback. The NAB will not take any action on development projects. NAB members and the public are encouraged to complete the development project review form with their input. All development project review forms submitted to the community liaison at the NAB meeting or via the online form (<https://forms.office.com/g/ST3BfS7UEe>) will be submitted to the Reno Planning Commission for consideration in the development review process. City of Reno planning staff will be available for questions but will not provide project presentations.

C1. LDC25-00018 Mount Rose Street Junction Master Plan Amendment and Specific Plan District (For Discussion Only) A request has been made for: 1) a Master Plan Amendment from Mixed Employment (MX) to Suburban Mixed-Use (SMU), and 2) a zoning map amendment from Multi-Family Residential-14 units per acre (MF-14) to a Specific Plan District (SPD). The ±0.99-acre site is located on the west side of Plumas Street approximately ±145 feet south of its intersection with Mount Rose Street. The site is within the Plumas Neighborhood Residential Core Planning Area (PL) Overlay District.

Brook Oswald of Aryte Planning Group presented requests for a zoning map and master plan amendment. He clarified the location and presented surrounding uses, parks, schools, and public transportation, and all services enabled near the proposed development project site. He provided a timeline of the approvals requested and advised that there would be further opportunity to voice interest and concerns regarding the changes to allow for the development project which has not been decided upon. Mr. Oswald stated that infill projects like this one support the City's strategic goals.

NAB Members expressed concerns due to no specific use proposed on the parcel and recommended requesting a zoning change rather than the master plan amendment as well. NAB Member Keats expressed concerns regarding establishing a Special Plan District (SPD) rather than utilizing Neighborhood Commercial (NC) designation. Councilmember Duerr concurred, noting that a SPD should provide more specifics on a project than would be needed in a NC zone. NAB Member Keats was specifically concerned that although no structures were proposed up against the existing neighborhood that up to 30 structures could be constructed. Other NAB members shared concerns that the proposal was incongruent with the surrounding neighborhood and requested more transparency regarding specifics for the development.

Councilmember Duerr requested more specificity in the application so that NAB Members would have a development project to respond to. NAB members further discussed traffic, lighting, and

noise concerns in the area. They requested that the developer returns to the NAB with a specific project.

A member of the public stated concern regarding what type of commercial is being proposed for the site. NAB members requested a project to be presented that would provide justification for the request for an SPD. Vice Chair Taylor advised that the NAB could better provide input on a specific project that is less “big picture”.

B1. Draft City of Reno Public Art Master Plan Update (For Discussion Only) – Presentation by City of Reno Arts and Culture Staff

Megan Berner, Arts and Culture Manager, presented the Reno Public Art Master Plan Update which will provide a comprehensive review of the Arts & Culture program and develop an outline for moving forward. She provided an overview of the plan and advised of a public survey which had received 600 responses. Ms. Berner noted that the team had also circulated questionnaires to artists and past and present members of the Arts & Culture Committee for their input on the plan. She advised that the consultant sought additional outreach from local artists, had interviewed City officials, and had conducted a focus group at the University of Nevada Reno (UNR). She advised that the team had researched City plans, ordinances, and guidelines related to public art. Additionally, she noted that the team had contacted ten other arts programs for input and benchmarks in cities throughout the west. She provided details on the plan structure and provided a link to the draft master plan and survey at www.renoculture.com.

NAB Members inquired how the department will move forward with the master plan. Manager Berner advised that the consultants will modify the draft plan based on feedback after which it will be approved by the Arts and Culture Commission and eventually be approved by City Council. They also asked about funding for Arts and Culture. Ms. Berner advised that the department is primarily funded through room tax, grants, partnerships, and the use of previous year’s unused budgeted funding. NAB Members discussed a large return on revenues invested in arts throughout the City.

C. Board/Commission/Committee Member Reports and Announcements – Limited to items that do not appear elsewhere on the agenda. No action may be taken on this item.

Vice Chair Taylor advised of the importance of keeping their eyes open for issues in the City to bring to Councilmember Duerr’s attention. Councilmember Duerr advised the NAB that the City had submitted no bills to the legislature.

D. Future Agenda Items – Discussion of items for future agendas. No action may be taken on this item.

Items discussed for future agendas were an overview of Dillon’s Rule. Also requested was an overview of the planning process in the City. Councilmember Duerr recommended Angela Fuss as presenter.

E. Public Comment – This item is for either public comment on any action item or for any general public comment and is limited to no more than three (3) minutes for each commentator.

Councilmember Duerr thanked NAB Member Shinn for her attendance remotely. Staff Liaison Julianna Hendricks who was in attendance at the meeting introduced herself to the NAB members.

F. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

MOTION: Upon motion by NAB Member Titzel, seconded by NAB Member Fisher, the meeting was adjourned unanimously at 7:42 p.m. NAB Members Fujii-Strickler, Dowdy, Keller and Schomberg were absent.