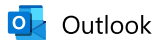


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Public Comment

From Alejandro Romero <alejandrromero55951@yahoo.com>

Date Thu 12/19/2024 9:28 AM

To Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>; Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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From Alexis Ramos <alexisrg2219@gmail.com>

Date Wed 12/18/2024 11:47 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>; tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Inflation is a significant economic issue that affects every state, including Nevada. As prices for goods and services rise, the purchasing power of money diminishes, leading to a higher cost of living. This phenomenon can be particularly challenging for residents who are on fixed incomes or have a limited financial resource.

food, and transportation. For an example rising housing costs can make it difficult for families to afford rent or mortgages, while increasing food prices can strain household budgets. Additionally, higher transportation costs can affect everything from daily commutes to price of goods transported into the state.

Addressing inflation requires a multifaceted approach. Policymakers need to implement strategies to stabilize prices and support those most affected by rising costs. This could include measures such as increasing minimum wage, providing subsidies for essential goods, and investing in affordable housing. By understanding and addressing the root causes of inflation, Nevada can work towards creating a more stable and equitable economic environment for all its residents.

Inflation is critical economic issue that has far-reaching effects on the residents of Nevada. As prices for goods and services rise, the purchasing power of money decreases, leading to a higher cost of living. This phenomenon can be particularly challenging for those on fixed incomes or with limited financial resources, as they find it increasingly difficult to make ends meet.



Written Comment

From Alexis Rios <alex21tetisa@gmail.com>

Date Sat 12/14/2024 2:50 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning members of the Reno City Council Board. My name is Alexis Rios De La Riva, I am a student from Hug High School, I hope all the members are having a good day today.

I would like to talk to you about this city needing to appreciate the culture of Hispanics and Latinos. And a way to appreciate it is by making a festival about their traditions and or their food. Maybe like the rib cookoff. I am Mexican and seeing no appreciation to the cultures and traditions I'm a part of, and I feel like they should be shown and represented more out there because I've only seen small communities start things without the help from the city and it isn't really as good but if these communities had help from the city, it would do better. There is a lot of Hispanic and Latino food places, but they aren't being as appreciated as other companies out there. So, to show appreciation and support to these businesses, we should make a festival including them to get their name out there.

Some examples for some food could be Tacos, pupusas, Tamales, arroz con frijoles, pozole, birria, etc. That is all I had to say, thank you for your time and consideration. Hope you have a great day.

Sincerely, Alexis Rios De La Riva



Climate Change

From Anamarie Flores <anaflores0702@icloud.com>

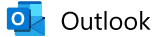
Date Thu 12/19/2024 1:11 PM

To TYJohnson@washoeschools.net <TYJohnson@washoeschools.net>; Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Hello my name is Anamarie Flores and the issue I want to talk about is Climate change.

Climate change is an up-rising issue that's is effecting warming temperatures, change in precipitation and as well as changes in weather events that has made them extremely intense. These impacts threaten our health but affecting the food we eat and the water we drink, as well as the air we breathe. Some temperature related impacts are the warmer days leading to longer and more frequent heat waves, these changes can and will lead to heat related deaths up to at least 1,300 deaths a year but the number is most likely underestimated. Some underlying health conditions include the stress of a hot day leading up to possible heart attack, heat stroke, or other serious health conditions. With climate change it creates conditions that allow mosquitoes to survive year-round spreading disease like dengue, Zika, and chicken gana, Other then that there is also cold weather which isn't as effected but it still is, climate change can impact colder weather by causing disruptions in the polar vortex leading to colder air out breaks in low latitude, but there is still more that climate change effects and that's the air we breath. Warmer temperatures and shifting weather can and been worsening air quality which can lead to asthma attacks and other respiratory and cardiovascular health issues. Some responsibility of bad air quality is the wildfires which are expected to continue and increase in number because of the increase in heat. The increase of temperature can also create unhealthy ground level ozone which is a harmful pollutant. People who are exposed to high levels of ground ozone are at risk of dying prematurely or being admitted to the hospital for respiratory problems, this ground level ozone can damage lung tissues as well as reduce lung function and inflame air walls. This can aggravate asthma or other lung diseases. People with asthma and chronic lung diseases are mostly at risk. More impacts from climate change are extreme weather events, increase of the severity of some extreme weather events such as extreme precipitation, flooding, droughts, and extreme storms, these extreme weather events can effect us in many ways and those effects are reduction of safe available food and drinking water, damaging bridges that block ways to hospitals and pharmacies, interrupting communication utility, and health care services, creating or worsening mental health impacts such as depression and post traumatic stress disorder and many, many more effects.

BUTT! There can be a solution if we all help each other. We can prevent climate change if everyone puts in effort by limiting the use of oil or gas to the diesel that burns with the trucks that use diesel, We can walk or ride a bike or just use public transportation, we can also try switching to led lights and use energy efficient electric appliances maybe try washing laundry in cold water and drying by hanging your clothes!!



(No subject)

From Andres Placencia <ajplacencia8@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 10:15 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning members of the City Council Board. My name is Andres Jose Placencia. Today I would like to talk to you about sidewalks and road issues as there isn't enough sidewalks in specific areas and not enough lighting to light the roads as well. Because of the sidewalk and light issues, I've had the following experiences of many pedestrians walking the side of the roads, and I could not notice them until driving by as my view of the road ahead was low from having no lights. As most of these occur during the nighttime with pedestrians trying to get home, I cannot see them very well on the road I drive through to which is N Virginia St as I live up on Gypsum Rd. It is just not me being affected but other drivers to whom drive through that street and pedestrians as well who are being affected from reckless drivers. If we could add more streetlights and sidewalks onto that road, it would make it less of a stress for drivers to worry about the pedestrians walking through the street, and this can also make the pedestrians feel safer that they aren't too close toward the road, or the drivers aren't close to them. Thank you for your time and consideration.



public comment

From yo Gonzalez <angelgonzalez24365@gmail.com>

Date Wed 12/18/2024 10:15 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good afternoon members of the Reno City council Board. My name is angel gonzalez the topic I will be talking about today is public transport and why we should better it to improve the city.

Reno, Nevada, often celebrated for its vibrant culture, scenic beauty, and growing economy, is at a critical juncture in addressing its public transportation infrastructure. As the city expands, so do its challenges: traffic congestion, environmental concerns, and accessibility for residents and visitors alike. To sustain Reno's growth while maintaining quality of life, it is imperative to invest in and improve public transportation.

Here's why.

First, better public transportation would significantly reduce traffic congestion. Renos population has been growing

steadily, with more people moving into the city and surrounding areas. As a result, the streets are becoming increasingly clogged with cars, particularly during peak hours. Expanding the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) system by adding more bus routes, increasing frequency, and incorporating express services could alleviate this pressure. For example, cities like Portland and Denver have implemented robust public transit networks that significantly reduce car

dependency, and Reno can follow their lead. Fewer cars on the road also mean less wear and tear on infrastructure, saving taxpayer money in the long run. Also improved public transportation fosters equity and accessibility. Not everyone in Reno can afford a car or has the ability to drive. For low-income families, seniors, students, and people with disabilities, a reliable and efficient transit system is essential for accessing jobs, education, healthcare, and social activities. Currently, many bus routes in Reno are limited in coverage and frequency, leaving some residents stranded or facing long commutes. Expanding service areas and hours could empower underserved

communities and make Reno a more inclusive city thank you for listening



Safety at my school

From Dequavis Jr <angellov126@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 11:25 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Cc Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Hey my name is Angello Velazquez I'm a 12th grader, I go to hug high school and this my public comment.

The issue of school safety is becoming more urgent as incidents of violence, bullying, and safety threats continue to rise. Schools are meant to be a safe space for students to learn, grow, and prepare for their futures, but when safety is compromised, it impacts our ability to focus and feel secure. One major concern at my school is the lack of secure entrances and monitoring. For example, the front gates are often left open during the day, and visitors sometimes walk onto campus without being properly checked. This makes me, and many of my classmates, feel vulnerable because we don't always know who is on our campus or what their intentions might be. Addressing this issue is crucial to ensure that students feel safe and protected while at school.



Outlook

City Council Comment received from Ashley Hogan

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Thu 12/12/2024 7:10 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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A new comment has been submitted for the Reno City Council Meeting held on: 2024-12-11.

Section:

E Items - Ordinance Introductions

Item:

Ordinance to amend Title 8 chapter 8.12.

Position:

In opposition

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

This is an egregious denial of basic human rights and completely ignores the fact that you are criminalizing a large VETERAN population. This is straight up evil.

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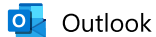
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Public comment

From Dani Ayala <da2050798@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 10:41 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Greeting

Good morning members of the City Council Board. My name is Daniel

Declare your issue.

Today, I would like to talk to you about the issue of homelessness here in the city of reno

Tell them how the issue makes your life difficult.

"Because homelessness I have had the following negative experiences"

Me and my family went out to eat and at the restaurant 2 homeless men walked in and started to make a fuss they were arguing scaring people there

I have a friend who was assaulted downtown by a homeless guy

I see a lot of homeless people on the street and cant help feel bad thinking how can I help them talking to the city council is the only way I see can make a change everyone can help but only you the council can make a change solution.

Frankly I don't know what we can do about this issue its complicated and has many pros and cons but I wanted to bring this issue up

Exit

I hope I helped you to see the problem we have here in reno. not all homeless people are bad and there because they want to a lot of the time its because they just don't have another option. Thank you for your time and consideration city council of reno



Public Comment

From rezpext <diegonaldo292929@gmail.com>

Date Wed 12/18/2024 11:13 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>; tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Today I will be talking about inflation. Inflation has impacted me and my family in different ways. For example grocery stores have increased their prices on a lot of baby formula clothes etc. I personally am tired of having to pay too much money for some diapers, wipes and clothes just so my little brother can be set. Gas prices have gone up in extreme measures. I don't want to be spending 80 dollars just so I can fill up my gas tank, and having to put some in again in 3 days because of how much I use my vehicle and because the prices are too high. My dad is a painter and tells me how expensive it is just to pick up a couple gallons of paint just for it to come out to a couple hundred dollars. Life would be better knowing I can go to the store with 5 dollars and come out with a bag of chips, a drink and some candy. Now you have to pay almost 10-15 dollars just to enjoy a treat. A way to resolve this situation is if the person in charge of the prices would be more realistic and be more fair to the people who don't have a lot. People have lost their homes due to inflation putting more people on the street, people have less to eat because they don't have enough money to buy groceries. Things keep getting expensive by the day, I remember I would buy a dozen eggs for 8 dollars and now I have to pay almost 20 just for a small amount of eggs. It's ridiculous. In conclusion I think gas prices should go down, grocery stores should go down and in general inflation should not be a thing or at least be lower.

Thank you Diego G



Reporting

From Notifications SN <Notifications@reno.gov>

Date Thu 12/26/2024 8:03 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning,

Could we log this in as a public comment, please.

Thank you,

Reno Direct

On Tuesday 24, December 08:41:33 PM PST, 'Ella Harley <ellaharley2@yahoo.com>' wrote:

Hello,

This is very unsettling, we were notified that reporting on abandoned vehicles/trailers has been made known to the owners or friends of said property and they are looking for whomever reported on the vehicles /trailers. The area is very unsafe with the individuals camping out on the streets or RV's being abandoned on the streets with drug dealers or individuals going up and down to the different properties and stealing items off of entry ways.

We will discontinue reporting as we feel the safety of our family is far more important!

Respectfully,

E & H

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(No subject)

From Francisco Navarro-Barajas <fnb1102@gmail.com>

Date Fri 12/13/2024 10:58 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Cc Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <Tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Hello, name is Francisco Navarro-Barajas I am a student at hug high school. Last year, my little cousin Mia and her family, who have been here in Reno for over a decade who came from Seattle, were forced to leave their rental home after the landlord raised the rent. Despite both my aunt and uncle working full-time jobs, they couldn't find another home within their budget. They had to move into a much smaller apartment outside of Reno which disrupted my cousins schooling and after school programs. Seeing their struggle made me realise how widespread and personal this issue has become.

The lack of affordable housing in Reno affects more than just where people live—it touches every part of our lives. As housing costs rise, families are forced to allocate larger portions of their income to rent or mortgages, leaving less money for essentials like healthcare, education, and savings. For many, the stress of housing insecurity impacts mental health and overall well-being. On a broader level, As workers can't afford to live near their jobs, and this issue undermines basic freedoms, such as the right to a safe and stable home, and raises safety concerns as some individuals are pushed into homelessness or unsafe living conditions.



Public comment

From Jaky Tepehua <jakytepehua@gmail.com>

Date Wed 12/18/2024 11:25 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>; TYJhonson@washoeschools.net <TYJhonson@washoeschools.net>

Good morning members of the city , City Council WCSD) Board. My name is Jakelin Diego

Today I would like to talk with you about the sidewalk in SUN VALLEY ...

Because There are no sidewalks in still valley, therefore The times I try to walk home, to the bus or any other place close to home it is dangerous and alarming for me to have to keep walking along the roadsides Only once I tried to walk home after school, which was not a pleasant experience and

I have had the following negative experiences



City Council Comment received from James Matthews Matthews

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Thu 12/12/2024 2:28 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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A new comment has been submitted for the Reno City Council Meeting held on: 2024-12-12.

Section:

General Closing Session Comment (unassociated to an agenda item)

Item:

Reporting and reaching for help against the Reno police .

Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

Can you please someone help me ! I am being stalked and harassed by some law enforcement officers who are abusing their powers and making me look even more worse, they interfere with every aspect of my life and Reno police department will not even help I've done 15 police reports and still nobody has my back when they broke into my house the police still didn't come but when I've had enough and start becoming enraged all of a sudden you see the police outside my door, if they think I'm going to pick up someone so we can come back and retaliate the police are out there. How do you think that makes me feel,even internal affairs they pushed me off on sgt warren. I told warren they are actively harassing right now. Still till this day nothings been done . They constantly cut my hot water

off, Wi-Fi , all kinds of things to make me feel horrible. They try to get me kkd out of here and monitors my phone so whenever I look for a apartment they call them and destroy it, because they want me to move out the city How can people in power do this kind of things. My life is in danger please help. I have proof of everything. 7753762127

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Public Comment

From jeffry <jeffryrenom@gmail.com>

Date Mon 12/16/2024 9:40 AM

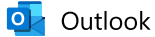
To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>; tyjohnson@washoeschools.net
<tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Public Comment

Hello members of the city council board. My name is Jeffry Medranos, I'm hoping you guys have a wonderful day today.

Today I would like to talk about the homeless crisis problem we have here in Reno, I have lived here in Reno my whole life and I never seen a lot of homeless every I go and ever since the pandemic I've been seeing the homeless crisis going up and up and some of these homeless mostly come from California and we still haven't done anything to stop it. I would also like to add on how we give the materials and resources to people that come from Los Angeles, ever since they started coming here to reno everything has been bad. I would like to start with how they can't drive properly and they make the reno highways unsafe for reno residents and they also bring homeless people with them. If things don't work out here they just live here in Reno like the homeless, also don't like how to give the materials to Californians so they can live proper lives here but we don't give it to the homeless here in Reno Nevada. My solution for the homeless crisis is to expand emergency shelters and transitional housing, engage the homeless community in solutions and have affordable housing.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



Gun violence

From Jeshwa Martinez <jeshwamartinez0@gmail.com>

Date Fri 12/20/2024 9:36 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good afternoon, my name is Jeshwa Martinez, a senior at Proctor Hug High School. Gun violence is rampant in today's society. It ruins the trust of many parents, students, and teachers. For Example, parents won't feel comfortable sending their student(s) to school where they don't know that a school shooting could happen at any moment. A teacher wouldn't know what to do in such situation and would stress about having the responsibility of many lives. A student especially. It hurts to imagine a student being a victim of a shooting. What the child could've done in the future...in THEIR future. It's not only school shootings but also shootings in stores, restaurants, and other public places. In my opinion, guns should be taken more seriously when buying and selling. Checking for their mental health and physical health. To think, "should I sell a weapon that can cause a mass death to this person" before selling the weapon. To know if that person won't use it to harm others or even harm themselves. Some causes for shootings is because of their wellbeing. Take the recent incident in Wisconsin for instance. The shooter at the Christian school was a 15 year old girl that didn't have a good relationship with her father. She stated that she "hated men" and wanted to murder other people before taking her own life. Something could have been done if the father, which was the owner of the gun that her daughter used to take 2 innocent lives wasn't in sight or where a child/teen could have easy access. Sure, we have bulletproof glass in every classroom and armed police around campus but we wouldn't have needed that if shootings didn't happen at all. A background check on the buyer and their home should be made before selling a weapon. The buyer should also be fined or arrested if another person is caught with it.



Jonathan Public speech

From Jonathan Rodriguez <jonazrodriguez25@icloud.com>

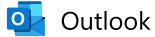
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Mental health

From kendra may <kendrarmichellemay@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 10:19 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

My name is Kendra May, I am a senior at Hug High School. I would like it to bring light to the topic of mental health and how there are very few resources for people suffering with mental health. The federal government ignores the treatment needs of Americans with serious mental health conditions. Did you know approximately 10 million Americans live with a serious mental health illness, but only about 68.5% receive any form of treatment. People with mental illnesses deserve safe, effective, evidence-based treatment as well as community resources there is only one agency in charge of helping and addressing the needs of people with serious mental illnesses and they are not doing everything they can to help people suffering with mental illnesses. We need to start prioritizing mental health with the same urgency as physical health. We need to start by increasing funding, promoting awareness, and provide more access for care This issue means a lot to me because mental illness has not just affected me, but it has also affected the majority of my family. My father is bipolar and has schizophrenia. He has not been able to get the help he needs because the cost of medication without insurance schizophrenia medication can cost between 10,000 and 30,000 per year which is a lot of money for someone with a lower income. Affordable healthcare and access to mental health resources are essential for everyone struggling with a mental illness along with mental illness already being such an emotion rollercoaster the financial aspect of it all makes it so much harder to receive help. Please start prioritizing affordable healthcare and work towards reducing the cost of life saving medications so people like my father can get the help he needs without suffering financially.



Outlook

Housing inflation

From Luis Escamilla <luisescamilla2528163@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 8:12 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Dear Members of the Reno City Council,

My name is Luis Escamilla I am a student in Proctor R Hug Highschool I want to talk about something that's impacting all of us here in Reno: housing inflation. And inflation Over the past few years have affected everyone in Nevada and it's especially tough for those who are in housing I currently live in housing it's just me my little brother and my mom ever since inflation had skyrocketed prices for rent,food,gas, and other accessories it's gotten so bad to the point where my mother, she works as a CNA and shes all around Reno area and everywhere else it's been so hard for her she works two jobs she works from the morning till the afternoon and after she picks me and my little brother up from school she continues off to her second job where she stays over night and it's so tough for her because even with both those things it's still hard for her to pay for her rent and even buy us groceries since she dosnt receive Ebt anymore I try my best to take care of my little brother and the house and I to am also searching for work wanting to help her once again but enough about me it's also for other people who could be in my mothers position. And it's just all affecting our community in a big way. Many of us have felt the pinch, whether we're trying to buy our first home, find a decent rental, or even just keep up with our mortgage payments.

Reno has been growing rapidly, thanks to our thriving job market and the influx of new residents. Companies in tech and manufacturing are setting up shop here, bringing in workers from all over. While this growth is great for our local economy, it's also driving up the demand for housing. More people moving in means more competition for the same number of homes, and that naturally pushes prices up.

But it's not just about more people. We also have some challenges with the supply of housing. Building new homes isn't as easy as it sounds. There are geographic limitations and regulatory hurdles that slow down development. Plus, with the rise of remote work, more people are choosing to live in places like Reno, where the quality of life is high. This trend is putting even more pressure on our housing market.

So, what can we do? We need to look at policies that can help increase the supply of housing. This might mean streamlining some of the regulations that make it hard to build new homes. We also need to make sure we're creating affordable housing options so that everyone in our community has a place to live. By addressing these issues, we can work towards a more balanced housing market that benefits all of us.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Luis Escamilla



Public comment final (Luis Rodriguez)

From Luis Rodriguez <luielurodriguez10@icloud.com>

Date Sat 12/14/2024 12:24 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Cc TYJohnson@washoeschools.net <TYJohnson@washoeschools.net>

An issue that needs addressing is the high gas prices in this city. Gas prices are too high currently and need to be lowered effectively. Before gas prices were a lot cheaper and affordable, now they have increased over the years, and it has gone up almost \$4. My personal experience with this is bad because cheap gas was a benefit for everybody. I used to go to the gas station with only \$20 and that would fill more than half my tank. Nowadays 20 can only get you to a quarter which is not enough for everyday driving. This problem has decreased the amount of money I get to save and keep. This makes saving and investing more difficult for some people like me if they have low paying jobs and cannot afford to put as much gas into their vehicle. It is important input for transportation, which then affects households as they drive but must rely on such little gas to survive the week. Lower gas means better for producers and consumers. Soaring prices burden businesses and make goods and services more expensive. It is also important because it relies on transportation chains around the globe. The cost of everyday travel leads to household expenses rising, leaving less money for groceries, utilities, and savings. This issue is not safe for our own rights because this means people spend less on other things than on gas which can slow down the economy and its growth. These soaring prices have caused for more than half of the monthly inflation increase. This issue affects mine and everyone else's safety.



Public Comment

From Johnson, Tyler <TYJohnson@WashoeSchools.net>

Date Mon 12/16/2024 9:32 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning members of the Reno City Council Board. My name is Maxinne Olano. I am sending this message from Procter Hug Highschool

Today, I would like to talk to you about if there would be a possible way to make the cost of living more easier.

Because of the way life costs, life hasn't been that easy. Sixty-two percent of Americans feel their family's income is falling behind, with 83% of voters experiencing hardship due to inflation and increased prices. This is evident in their spending habits at grocery stores and gas stations, where they often stretch their fuel before a full tank is needed. This highlights the need for increased financial stability and a more balanced approach to spending, as it helps to address the challenges faced by many Americans.

But there's a better way.

We can reimagine how to make life more affordable for everyday Americans. It's possible, if we:

- **Cut the red tape to fix the rising cost of food**

Lower prices on everyday needs such as foods and personal care items like toilet paper, hair wash, feminine products. The Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) has led to a significant increase in corn prices due to supply-chain issues and excessive government spending. The RFS mandates that transportation fuels contain a certain amount of biofuel, such as ethanol. This has led to a dramatic increase in corn prices, incentivizing farmers to replace other crops with corn and grow corn wherever possible. This has resulted in a scarcity of other foods, which are now scarcer due to less cultivation. The burdensome regulations have not only affected energy markets but also the housing market.

- **Cut reckless government spending and beat inflation through better budgeting**

Congress lacks a comprehensive budget, managing only 30% of spending annually and lacking rules to control overspending and deficits. The federal government has only balanced the budget from 1998 to 2001, but this is the only time it has balanced the budget in the last fifty years. The national debt has exploded from 32% of GDP in 2001 to nearly 100% GDP today, and massive government stimulus spending during the pandemic has not helped. The more money the U.S. government prints and pumps into the economy, the worse the situation becomes. Kurt Couchman, Americans for Prosperity's senior fellow for fiscal policy, has written extensively about how unified budgets can empower congressional members and enable coherent budget management. A unified budget would reveal tradeoffs across fiscal policies, reduce overlap among programs, and control the exploding debt.

- **Fuel the flexible workforce of tomorrow**

One way to address the current economic crisis is to empower people to find fulfilling work that offers freedom and flexibility while helping them achieve personal and financial independence. This is especially important during unstable times. Many Americans are reaching their potential through flexible work.

Over 59 million Americans are freelancers, showing a preference for flexibility in their jobs and greater career satisfaction. Research indicates that 90% of American professionals value workplace flexibility. To support this, we need legislation that facilitates independent and flexible careers and enhances scheduling and work location flexibility.

Four key bills are highlighted: the Employee Rights Act, the Modern Worker Empowerment Act, the Save Local Business Act, and the Working Families Flexibility Act, which together aim to expand work opportunities and flexibility.

We must recognize the true cost of wasteful spending and overregulation. Increased spending and regulations will not solve high costs. We need to empower entrepreneurs and innovators to create affordable solutions, avoiding short-term fixes and instead promoting energy abundance and reducing harmful regulations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Maxinne Olano



Outlook

City Council Comment received from MG Krebs

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Thu 12/12/2024 9:17 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Contact Info:

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Ward 2

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mgkrebsii@yahoo.com

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A new comment has been submitted for the Reno City Council Meeting held on: .

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Item:

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Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

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Once again I see our city has a problem with rules and procedures not being drafted. Apparently, there is only one person who can do this and he quit. This is an all too common scenario in the city of Reno. I am referring to the mayor's comments in This Is Reno that because the city manager resigned, there is no one to draft travel expense regulations. Copy the state of Nevada's or consider using another governmental entity's. Stop trying to reinvent something that already exists. Stop telling us our city lacks a breadth and depth in personnel to get anything, even so simple as this task, done! The mayor should be ashamed of herself and recognize that she has no management skills.

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We now have SIX wards. Why has this online form not been updated. Does that take a full time city manager? Does the person responsible for ensuring this form works properly have to be told what his or her tasks are on a daily basis?

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Micro plastics

From Mimi Jacobo <jacobomimi25@gmail.com>

Date Tue 12/17/2024 10:44 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

good morning members of the reno city council board. my name is libni jacob. Today i would like to talk to you about the micro plastic in Lake Tahoe, because of this issue, many people are concern about swimming in Tahoe because micro plastic can cause many health issues. Micro plastic can affect the water quality and the wildlife around Lake Tahoe. it can be in our water and food. if we could educated many people about this situation and keeping our lakes clean, it would be awesome!! Thank you for your time and consideration.



Outlook

My name is Nestor I go to Procter R Hug High School my topic I will be discussing is Guns and violence I think the government should ban the use of guns and to own guns all people use them is for violence and just no good if people were to like hunting...

From nestormonroyperez33@gmail.com <nestormonroyperez33@gmail.com>

Date Thu 12/19/2024 2:15 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Sent from my iPhone



RE: Feedback for City of Reno

From Jennifer Pawliszyn <PawliszynJ@reno.gov>
Date Tue 12/17/2024 11:32 AM
To Rangel rios <Rangelrop06@gmail.com>
Cc Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning Rangel,

Thank you for contacting Reno Direct. Your comments will be sent to the Reno City Council for review and will be part of the official record at the next Reno City Council meeting.

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Additionally, if you are able to provide specific locations such as streets/cross streets/nearby addresses where these potholes and/or construction projects are located, I can submit area specific requests to the appropriate department for review.

Thank you,



Jennifer Pawliszyn

[\(She/Her/Hers\)](#)

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From: City of Reno <reno@enotify.visioninternet.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2024 10:54 AM
To: Webmaster <Webmaster@reno.gov>
Subject: Feedback for City of Reno

You have received this feedback from Rangel rios <Rangelrop06@gmail.com> for the following page:

<https://www.reno.gov/government/city-council>

You guys need to make our roads safer and ask to speed up construction to have less traffic. There are a lot of potholes in Reno nv and no one is doing anything about it.



Public Comment

From Romeo Munoz <rmunoz7664@gmail.com>

Date Mon 12/16/2024 9:19 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>; tyjohnson@washoeschools.net
<tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Hello members of the City Council Board. My name is Romeo Munoz, and I hope you guys are having a great day today

Today I would like to talk to you about teacher favoritism and how it affects our learning and education. I believe it's unfair how teachers show favoritism towards certain students, often giving them more attention, better grades, or special privileges, which can create a negative dynamic in the classroom by making the other students feel left out, undervalued, and potentially resentful towards the favored students.

I have had the following negative experiences; this issue was a huge part of my education in elementary school and my freshman year of high school. My teachers had always left me out, wouldn't help me whenever I was needed for it, and would show me less attention than the other students.

If the students can be honest with the teachers and tell them how they feel picking favorites the teachers can understand and create a chance to change. The teachers can show the same attention to all the students, it will make a good habit, and students can feel more educated since the teacher gives them the attention they want and need. Life could be better for all of us and specifically the students that want to learn.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope you guys have a wonderful day.



Outlook

Public comment

From Saint Gallardo <saintgallardo11@gmail.com>**Date** Tue 12/17/2024 10:01 AM**To** Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good morning members of the city council my name is Saint Gallardo and i am here representing Hug High school. Today I would like to talk to you about repairing roads and the fixing of roads. Because of the poor maintenance of the roads, it has come to cause lots of problems for my car involving having to buy new wheels or even having some scratches on my rim by how bad some potholes and ruined the road has become. Not only has this come to affect me but it has also come to impact people close to me, not too long ago my parents faced a problem in getting a popped tire in the freeway. This not only was a very unfortunate thing to happen but also when I was able to look back i realized the problem had started because of the road conditions. A wonderful way to fix issues like these is road repair or fillings of potholes. These road conditions are extremely dangerous and can cause lots of casualties. Thank you for your time and consideration and hopefully Washoe county can fix these road problems and save more lives.



FW: Plumas Resident Contact

From Notifications SN <Notifications@reno.gov>

Date Fri 12/13/2024 4:16 PM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Good afternoon,

We received the following concerns about a rat issue in the storm drains due to construction occurring in the area. Can this please be added as a public comment? Unfortunately, rat concerns such as this are not a service that the City of Reno, Washoe County, or the State provides.

Thank you!

From: Sara Going <sgoing@rtcwashoe.com>

Sent: Friday, December 13, 2024 2:41 PM

To: Dani Palffy <PalffyD@reno.gov>

Subject: Plumas Resident Contact

Hi Dani,

I got a call earlier today from Lisa Costner of 1020 Plumas St. with a complaint relating to rats and the sewer/storm drain in the area on Plumas Street.

Her phone number 775-722-5304. Could you forward this to the right person at City of Reno and perhaps have them give her a call?

Thank you!

Sara Going, PE

RTC Washoe County

Office 775-335-1897

sgoing@rtcwashoe.com

On Friday 13, December 04:08:54 PM PST, 'Dani Palffy <palffyd@reno.gov>' wrote:

Hello,

Can you please create a service request for the below item?

Thank you,

Dani Palffy, P.E.

Associate Civil Engineer

City of Reno - Public Works

775-541-7507 (c)

PalffyD@Reno.Gov

Upcoming PTO: December 19-30

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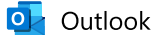
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City Council Comment received from Sarah Hinz

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>**Date** Thu 1/2/2025 2:46 PM**To** Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>**Contact Info:****Name:**

Sarah Hinz

Commenting on behalf of:

The Reno Philharmonic

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General Opening Session Comment (unassociated to an agenda item)

Item:

N/A.

Position:

No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

Are they speaking in person?

No, I am submitting a written comment only.

If no, enter comments below:

Thank you to the City Council for supporting the Reno Philharmonic Association Kids program (RPAK) via the Arts & Culture Grants program. Receiving grant funding from the City of Reno for our RPAK program demonstrates the importance and value of this incredible program on our community. Bringing after school music education to underserved students at Title 1 schools is a valuable experience for these students that develops skills far past just learning to play the violin. As we start the spring semester of school, we wanted to say thank you. The Reno Phil is extremely grateful for the City's support of one of our flagship education programs.

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City Council Comment received from Stephanie Gibson

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Thu 12/19/2024 11:15 AM

To Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

Contact Info:**Name:**

Stephanie Gibson

Commenting on behalf of:

Lilley Museum of Art the University of Nevada, Reno

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Ward 5

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To members of Reno City Council, My name is Stephanie Gibson and I am the Director of the John & Geraldine Lilley Museum of Art at the University of Nevada, Reno. The museum was a recent recipient of an event grant from the City of Reno Arts and Culture Commission, in support of the opening of our fall exhibition, Resilience: A Sansei Sense of Legacy (Sept 5 - November 12, 2024). Resilience—A Sansei Sense of Legacy is an art exhibition about Executive Order 9066, incarceration camps, and the lasting effects on third generation Japanese-Americans. Public programming included curatorial discussions, artist talks, historical presentations, classroom tours and visits. The opening event included a curator's talk, discussion with artists, and an opening celebration. Community members on and off campus benefited greatly from this complex exhibition. The Lilley Museum of Art recognizes the power of art to enhance the cultural life of our diverse communities with stimulating exhibitions, inclusive programming, and research and teaching opportunities in its transcultural collection, in order to provide experience to enhance learning, increase dialogue, and use art as a tool for connection and understanding. Funding from the City of Reno Arts and Culture commission has helped us advance our mission. I wish to extend my sincere thank you for continual, consistent support of the arts in Reno through the City of Reno Arts and Culture Commission. Not only is an investment in public funds a proven economic driver for the city, arts funding enables and encourages meaningful, healthier, more just lives for the people of this community. Sincerely, Stephanie Gibson
Director John & Geraldine Lilley Museum of Art

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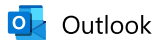


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Public Comment

From Xavier Elhifny <elhifnyx@gmail.com>**Date** Thu 12/19/2024 8:44 AM**To** Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>**Cc** tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>

Hi I'm Xavier Islem Adam Muhammad Elhifny and it's scary to breathe. let me explain I'm a self aware person and a curious person at that, also most of the time I'm like anxious about things that matter or don't matter but that's besides the point. you learn things when your that type of person like learning about pollution, and learning about sicknesses that come with that and how many people die each year from pollution (according to clean air fund, specifically 7 million people die each year) why does someone have to say something in oder for someone to open their ears, why do I have to pull on someone's ear people die all the time from pollution and I'm scared for myself and my future kin because we deserve to breathe. I suggest ecology Internship to plant more trees



Public comment

From Zayl Jackson <zayljackson287@gmail.com>

Date Thu 12/19/2024 9:30 AM

To tyjohnson@washoeschools.net <tyjohnson@washoeschools.net>; Public Comment - CC <PublicComment@reno.gov>

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