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City Council Comment received from Jacqueline Clay

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Tue 1/21/2025 9:36 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: 2025-02-12.

Section:

General Opening Session Comment (unassociated to an agenda item)

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public comment.

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:

On behalf of the Arts for All Nevada Board of Directors and staff, I would like to thank the City of Reno's City Council and the City of Reno Arts and Culture staff for the Arts and Culture Project Grant award we received for our Artist in Residency Program. The Program serves children with special needs in our community schools by placing teaching artists in Special Education, Strategies, and Comprehensive Life Skills classrooms to teach art workshops. Arts for All Nevada can offer this Program free of charge to community schools due to generous grants like this one. We appreciate your support of Arts for All Nevada and the Artist in Residency Program.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

By checking the "Yes" below, you agree that all the information above is true and accurate. For additional information, please refer to the agenda for today's meeting.

Yes

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Honorable City Council Members,

I'm excited to share that Nevada Women's Fund is organizing an inaugural, day-long, community-wide International Women's Day event on Saturday, March 8th. In celebration of this occasion, we will be turning the city purple—the color of IWD and female solidarity.

Our goal is to raise awareness about International Women's Day while celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also serves as a call to action to accelerate gender equality.

For the first time in history, women are enrolling in and graduating from college at higher rates than men. Yet, despite this progress, wage parity has remained stagnant for over two decades.

While we know that hosting an event around International Women's Day won't solve this issue, it provides us with a significant public platform to raise awareness, ignite meaningful conversations, and unite our community around a common purpose. Additionally, it offers an opportunity to highlight the positive strides our community and state have made in empowering women. Take, for example, our City Council, led by our female Mayor and supported by a majority of women.

International Women's Day also allows us to express our gratitude to the men in our community who serve as allies and mentors.

The day-long event will culminate at the iconic Reno Arch, where we will join a global movement to raise awareness for gender equality by lighting the arch purple. This will be part of the IWD Light Up event, which illuminates landmarks worldwide on March 8th to highlight women's rights and equality. By participating in IWD Light Up, we aim to elevate our local efforts to a global stage.

This two-hour event, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, will feature live music and inspiring speeches from prominent women in our area, including Mayor Schieve, Nevada Athletic Director Stephanie Rempe, and others. We would be honored to have our elected officials present to join us for this vibrant celebration, uniting people from all walks of life in a city-wide tribute to the remarkable women who strengthen our community.

The lighting of the arch, along with the necessary permits, street closures, and all related logistics, incurs significant costs.

In addition to your attendance, I would like to ask if you would consider allocating a portion of your budget as a City Council Member to support this important initiative. I also want to extend my thanks to Council Member Devon Reese for already committing a financial pledge in support of the event.

Your contribution will directly support this inaugural event and the women we are empowering to achieve their full potential.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

City Council Comment received from Hannah Hoobyar

From Mikki Huntsman <HuntsmanM@reno.gov>

Date Tue 1/21/2025 1:01 PM

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No position stated - Concerned or Neutral

Are they speaking in person?

Yes, I will check-in with the City Clerk upon arrival.

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