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Good morning, Council. First of all, thank you for giving me the opportunity to be heard and thanks to council member Taylor and Angela fouse for their involvement and support to get this. Heard, my name is Brandi Smith and I am writing to comment on agenda item, D3 Title, 18, Zahn code cleanup. I am a resident of the Montage downtown Reno and I am 56 years old, a court reporter and moved to downtown and to the Montage to be close to the courthouse. I do live work and play in downtown Reno. I love the building. I live in, I love working downtown and I love playing downtown. All the fabulous eateries grocery shopping at the grace Basin Co-op grabbing a Mexican mocha at Cafe Capello and walking along the river. The daytime culture I support our downtown, mom and top, excuse me, Mom and Pop, establishments, and I support the community by volunteering for community cleanups Through the City of Reno and keep Chucky, Meadows. Beautiful. I feel very strongly about supporting and giving back to the community, I love. And I am now asking with for your support in the well-being of the residents of the downtown community. With all the existing residential buildings and those coming Ballpark Apartments and 245 Arlington. And with my experiences as a resident, I feel there needs to be downtown noise ordinances Downtown is very different between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. And it's nearly impossible to get a good night's sleep. During the weekends with the club noise, and shenanigans 3 or 4 days in a row. I'm always exhausted Monday mornings. I am concerned also with the information regarding base camp and it's decibel levels readings. I had to work through the weekend at my home office and it was nearly impossible to focus with the bass noise, literally shaking the walls. I have attended meetings and discussions regarding downtown issues, including a presentation by Chief Nance at the Silver Legacy. And it's been suggested got the best way to communicate issues is through Reno Direct I have been lodging my issues via the City of Reno Reno direct portal for quite some time now. And this is the part where I would like to give a special shout out to Zach in code enforcement for his time and following up with my concerns lodged through Reno. Direct he is absolutely a fabulous addition. So thank you. I would very much appreciate any support in creating a downtown noise ordinance. There has to be a way to balance the life of the growing population of residents with the businesses of downtown. **Thank you so much for your time. Brandi Smith Brandi, Smith 255, North Sierra Street Reno, Nevada, thank you.**

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City Council meeting 08/28/2024 My public comments. "Creation of a downtown noise ordinance."

Elliott Josi <elliottjosi@me.com>

Tue 8/27/2024 3:16 PM

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

Good Morning Council Members,

My name is Elliott Josi and I am a resident of the Arlington Tower. I thank you for the opportunity to comment in favor of Agenda Item D.3 titled "Title 18 Zoning Code Clean-Up", "Creation of a downtown noise ordinance."

I choose to live in the Downtown because of the walking distance access to so many cultural, entertainment, and hospitality attributes - and, of course, the nearby city parks that provide access to the Truckee River's natural beauty. These unique features are powerful draws indeed for a growing population of owners and renters, and their city tax dollars.

I have enjoyed living in another city for similar reasons, but the noise there is less of a problem. Today, many of us Downtown Reno residents feel the area's appeal is threatened by the rising noise level. This includes noise from crowds, bars, nightclubs, outdoor concerts, vehicles/motorcycles, and generally intoxicated individuals - but, perhaps especially the high C-scale noise from bars and nightclubs that are heard and felt up to 4-5 am on weekends.

We appreciate how the RPD has been really good about patrolling the 2nd Street area, as Robert Larson, presented at the June NAB meeting. We are also grateful for the interest CM Taylor has shown in a noise ordinance.

Numerous other cities have a noise ordinance and 16 cities with specific C scale code. They have seen their residential populations grow while their entertainment and commercial activities have also thrived.

In closing, we ask the city to categorize and regulate the Downtown in ways that do not sacrifice the rights of area residents to reasonable neighborhood calm and safety. Specifically, we ask the Council to vote "yes" to authorize Angela Fuss to proceed with drafting a noise ordinance and to present a first draft to Council by October 31.

Thank you for your consideration.

Elliott

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D3 Zoning Clean Up items - Creation of Downtown Noise Ordinance..

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Dear Madam Mayor and Honorable Counsel Members; Noise in downtown Reno has not been mitigated, as claimed by Planning Department records. The Planning Department committee has referenced in its approval of late night live events that there have been few RPD responses for disturbances. Contrary to the reference, residents have made many calls regarding disturbances of the peace related issues late at night and into early morning hours. In my numerous conversations with the various Sargent or lead officer on duty, when those disturbances occurred, I have repeatedly been advised there is nothing they can do, there is no violation of law or code they can enforce and thus no reason for them respond. The most they can do is have a patrol car drive by, if one is available, but no assurances they will be able to even do that. They will not engage conversation with the perpetrators or establishment, as there is no violation, they believe they can enforce. Without a noise ordinance there is nothing RPD can respond to and enforce, without enforcement, there is no mitigation of disturbances. Residents living and paying extra taxes in downtown Reno continue to suffer essential lack of sleep which endangers the health and safety of themselves and others, and suffer a loss of quality of life issues, contrary to the Reno master plan adopted as required by state law. Please pass noise

regulations so violations can be enforced by RPD as the occur. Sincerely;

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.

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Public Comment for Agenda Item D3 noise ordinance - Aug 28

Cecil, Nancy L <booklady@csus.edu>

Tue 8/27/2024 7:52 AM

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City council members and Madame Mayor,

I respectfully urge you to strongly consider supporting a noise ordinance for downtown Reno.

I have lived in downtown Reno for eight years. I moved here because I loved the walkability, the river, the mountains-- and the access to entertainment. But in the past two years I have been unable to sleep from Thursday night until Sunday night due to the booming bass noise emanating from bars that have been allowed, by right, to be open ALL NIGHT LONG!! Often the doors are open in the summers, and people milling around the periphery of these bars cause more noise and major disruption, even violence. I have never once heard actual music--only the thumping of bass that one feels more than hears.

I moved here knowing full well it was an entertainment district, but also believing the city desperately wanted more tax-paying residents downtown to add to the "vibrancy" of the city! If that is truly the case, then minor adjustments must be made to make it a viable place to actually live. By minor adjustments I simply mean:

- 1) Bar doors closed after 9pm.
- 2) a limit on JUST the bass noise (c-scale)
- 3) enforcement after midnight

Such adjustments--compromises--are the necessary adjustments to make downtown grow and thrive.

Respectfully,

(Dr.) Nancy Lee Cecil

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Comment Regarding Agenda Item D.3 Title 18 Zoning Clean-Up - Support for a Downtown Reno Noise Ordinance

Paul Douglas Irving <paul.d.irving@gmail.com>

Mon 8/26/2024 6:19 PM

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

Dear Reno City Council,

I voice my support for a downtown NOISE ORDINANCE. I am from New York and I am accustomed to city noise. I don't mind city noise. But the noise of downtown Reno is not normal city noise; it is a nuisance. If you want to encourage residents to move into downtown Reno, and improve downtown Reno business, I encourage you to adopt a noise ordinance which can certainly be compatible with downtown business casinos and hotels, such as the Row and the J Resort.

Please move forward in furtherance of enacting a noise ordinance.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paul D. Irving