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City Council Comment received from Tom Stewart

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In opposition

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City council members: Council meeting May 1st agenda item D1 Proposed Fees and Charges FY24/25 Light pole fees page 37 Questions about the proposed light pole fees 1) Are the proposed light pole banner fees for special events only or will they apply to banners that stay up long term? 2) Who will be charged the proposed light pole fees since the City owns the banners on Wells Avenue? 3) Are there restrictions, conditions or fines in the application? 4) Will the City approve banner designs? 5) Do these proposed light pole banner fees for installation/removal mean that the City will install and remove the banners? 6) The proposed monthly light pole banner fee is per pole. Is this for the entire time they are up? We keep some banners up for 3 to 4 years 7) Should we decide not to use the light poles for banners would the City put up other banners? 8) We have several banners that we put up and down. Will the City install them for us on our schedule? 9) Will we be able to continue to install and maintain banners on Wells Avenue or will it be the responsibility of the City only? We operate as a not-for-profit organization as a chamber of commerce since 2000 to support and promote businesses on Wells Avenue which in turn promotes the City of Reno. We have installed banners ourselves on 100 poles

since 2004. We operate on a very small budget. Our annual budget is only \$3000. Contributions from ward 3 city council representative were used to purchased banners and the banner arms. The current banner was chosen from a call for artists within the City and a student from Reno High designed it. If charged we could not afford to pay the proposed fees. Wells Avenue Merchants & Property Owners Association Tom Stewart secretary

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