

Honoring the Service of Commissioner Villanueva

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As Commissioner Silvia Villanueva concludes her term on the Reno Planning Commission, I want to take a moment to recognize and appreciate her meaningful service to our city. Over the past two years that we've served together, Silvia has brought a thoughtful, grounded voice to our deliberations - approaching each application with fairness, integrity, and care. She consistently balanced technical insight with genuine community understanding, helping ensure our decisions reflected both the intent of our Master Plan and the evolving needs of the public and applicants alike.

Her boldness, steadiness, and courage, especially during some of the more contentious and high-pressure matters, have been deeply appreciated. In those moments, Silvia's values and principles stood out, always grounded in what's best for the community and Reno's long-term well-being.

Simply put, her presence, professionalism, and discernment have strengthened the Commission's work. Speaking personally, she's made me a better commissioner. Silvia's steady contributions have helped guide complex decisions with clarity and compassion, and her legacy will be felt well beyond her time on this board.

It has been a true pleasure to serve alongside her. On behalf of myself and, I'm sure, many others - thank you, Silvia, for the heart and thoughtfulness you brought to this important role. And while your term may be ending, I sincerely hope you'll continue to shape Reno's future - your leadership has left a lasting mark, and you'd be hard to replace, and even harder to forget.

With purpose,

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