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City of Reno and DRP Board,

I moved back to Reno last year with my retirement date already set for; May 9th, 2025. Hoping to retire back to Nevada on a more affordable budget. You have sent your Proposed Assessments to all ~200 Residents (mostly retirees) in the Arlington Towers (100 N Arlington Ave. & W 1st St.) declaring us in the "Premium" Zone with commercial. I believe this to be unfair as compared to other corners closer to the row such as "Arlington Ave. and W 2nd St." and other area commercial businesses and specific buildings near Court street.

Most commercial buildings in downtown as well as our residential building pay for and take care of its surrounding areas already with our own maintenance crews. We also have tax payer funded city resources and departments that already are supposed to be taking care of most benefits the Reno BID claims to be funding. This appears to be yet another dual taxation via levy on local residents.

In addition, your 17%(\$319) Tax Levy Increase would be a huge financial tax burden, (only to increase year after year as most have proven to do so), on all residents of the downtown areas at a time when our HOA costs have also been increasing over 5%, increases to insurance of over 15%, restaurant increases of over 25%, auto expense parking increases downtown, and health care increases are up over 20% per year for the past few years. Most of our expenses are repetitiously related to what we would spend on the benefits received from Reno BID.

This levy also appears to tax its local residents on costs that are directly related to city policies passed in the past few years. A Good example I see daily here is the food station Handouts. I can attest to the fact that most trash around the front of our building is a direct result from the food container wastes from those boxes and our current homeless issues.

We don't have a Revenue and Funding issue, we have a spending Issue. We have higher hotel city/resort fees than most larger cities with larger issues. Our taxes are higher in Reno than ever before. We have growth and new developers that should

be generating most of the new taxes/levies that would be needed. Our commercial neighbors benefit from RenoBID far more than residents and it appears that the Reno DRP board is over represented on the commercial side versus the Residential side. We have a homeless population that has only grown and has been attracted to Reno from city policies which has resulted in most of the crimes that BID claims to cleanup; i.e., trash, graffiti, safety, drugs, etc - when we already fund a police department who should already be taking care of most of these crime related issues. At a minimum this should go up for vote by residents and all should have a more adequate time to respond and voice opinions, most of our bldg residents don't even read their paper mailers and an unfair time has been given to all of us.

Thanks for your consideration,
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Fw: Downtown Reno Business Improvement Bid- proposal

From Maureen West-Cuthbert <WestM@reno.gov>

Date Thu 5/1/2025 12:02 PM

To City Clerk <CityClerk@reno.gov>

Please see the Letter of Objection below

Thank you

From: Jack McLeod <jack@nevadamcleodgroup.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 1, 2025 11:28 AM

To: Reno Business Improvement District <RenoBID@reno.gov>

Subject: Downtown Reno Business Improvement Bid- proposal

To whom it may concern:

As a downtown resident (50 North Sierra St PH13), my home falls under the new Improvement District which is asking for an increase in taxes. I am writing to express my 100% desire to not have this tax implemented on the people of downtown. We already have paid higher taxes for the "district" over the past few years and it seems to me that we keep being told that more taxes will be imposed on us for living downtown. Its not a fair representation of taxes for ALL of Reno who utilizes the area. I do not think its fair to impose more taxes on one group of individuals when the entire city (and visitors) utilize downtown. So, I ask that this tax be shelved and the city figures out another way to raise the money without unfairly taxing the residents of downtown.

As you can tell from my letter, I am against the tax proposal.

Thank you-

Jack & Susan McLeod Trust