



MINUTES

Joint Regular Meeting

Reno City Council & Redevelopment Agency Board

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 • 10:00 AM

Reno City Council Chamber, One East First Street, Reno, NV 89501

Hillary Schieve, Mayor

Council Members:

Ward 1 - Jenny Brekhus	Ward 4 - Meghan Ebert
Ward 2 - Naomi Duerr	Ward 5 - Kathleen Taylor
Ward 3 - Miguel Martinez	At Large - Devon Reese

A Introductory Items

A.1 Pledge of Allegiance

A.2 Roll Call

A.3 Public Comment

COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS ABSENT AT 10:30 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS PRESENT AT 10:32 AM
MAYOR SCHIEVE ABSENT AT 10:40 AM
MAYOR SCHIEVE PRESENT AT 10:40 AM

For the record we received 6 comments which were general in nature or not directly associated with an agenda item prior to 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2023. These comments were written correspondence received via our Reno.gov online public comment form or by email to our office. Copies of these comments have been distributed to the Reno City Council and are available to the public on the Reno.gov meeting portal.

4 in favor, 1 in opposition, 1 concerned from the following individual(s):

Cindy Murphy
David Worley
Annika Vonbartheld
Kathleen Little-Bolotin
Anonymous
Maria Delarosa

The following voicemail(s) were played during the Reno City Council meeting:

Paco Lachoy

A.4 Approval of the Agenda (For Possible Action) – 25 January 2023

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Meghan Ebert, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Meghan Ebert, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

B Consent Agenda (All consent items may be approved together with a single motion, be taken out of order, and/or be heard and discussed individually.)

B.1 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License - Zozo's Ristorante, Monica Sage, 3446 Lakeside Drive - Change of Ownership Alcohol - Dining Room Alcohol [Ward 1]

It was moved by Naomi Duerr, seconded by Devon Reese, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Naomi Duerr, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

Item pulled by Council Member Duerr for discussion.

Council Member Duerr stated Zozo's has been a landmark in Reno for many years. She acknowledge their contributions to our community.

B.2 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Acceptance of Grant Award 22-JAG-14 from the Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance to the City of Reno Police Department for the regional gang unit in the amount of \$68,000.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Miguel Martinez, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	

ABSENT:

- B.3 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Acceptance of Grant Award 21-JAG-23 from the Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance to the City of Reno Police Department for use by the Human Trafficking and Exploitation Team (HEAT) to combat human trafficking in the amount of \$60,000.**

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Miguel Martinez, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

- B.4 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Contract between the City of Reno, on behalf of the Reno Fire Department, and the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, increasing the not to exceed amount to \$4,771,954.72 for supplemental reimbursement payments received through the federal Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) program.**

Item pulled by Council Members Duerr and Brekhus for discussion.

Items B.4 and B.5 were opened and heard together.

Council Member Duerr stated this is a phenomenal achievement and worthy of a quick presentation.

Dave Cochran, Fire Chief, gave the staff presentation on Items B.4 and B.5.

COUNCIL MEMBER EBERT ABSENT AT 10:49 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER EBERT PRESENT AT 10:53 AM

COUNCIL MEMBER REESE ABSENT AT 10:55 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER REESE PRESENT AT 11:01 AM

COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR ABSENT AT 11:07 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR PRESENT AT 11:11 AM

Council Member Duerr commended Chief Cochran for looking for alternative sources of funding.

Council Member Brekhus stated she had asked that this come as a presented program

as a stand alone agenda item. She asked for an explanation of the process if there were to be layoffs and whether paramedics would be let go before fire fighters regardless of seniority.

Jill Atkinson, Interim Director of Human Resources, explained that the single role paramedics are a distinct classification from fire fighters. In the instance where there is a reduction in force, seniority is based upon length of service and classification. If the decision is made to reduce single role paramedics, that is the classification that would be impacted whereas if the decision is made to reduce force as it relates to fire fighters, that is the classification that would be reduced.

Chief Cochran answered questions from Council regarding the Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) program and the reimbursement rate. He also answered questions regarding details of how the program will function, including billing, and confirmed that this will not make REMSA obsolete.

Discussion on the motion:

Council Member Brekhus stated she will not support the motion. She still has questions regarding billing and does not think this is a secure funding source.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Naomi Duerr, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Naomi Duerr, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	Jenny Brekhus
ABSENT:	

B.5 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of an Interlocal Contract between the City of Reno, on behalf of the Reno Fire Department, and the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, for the Reno Fire Department's participation in the Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) Program with a total not to exceed reimbursement amount of \$20,000,000 for fiscal years 2024-2027.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Naomi Duerr, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Naomi Duerr, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	Jenny Brekhus
ABSENT:	

Item pulled by Council Members Duerr and Brekhus for discussion.

Items B.4 and B.5 were opened and heard together.

Items B.1 through B.5 were approved with Items B.1, B.4, and B.5 pulled for discussion.

C Public Hearings – 10:00 AM (Items scheduled to be heard at a specific time will be heard no earlier than the stated time, but may be heard later.)

D Department Items

Public Works

D.1 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Amendment of Contract with CORE Construction for the Moana Springs Community Aquatics and Fitness Center for Phase GMP #2 in the amount of \$34,652,021 for a total contract amount of \$46,716,650 and to extend the contract time for completion of the Phase GMP #2 work to August 26, 2024. (Capital Projects Fund) [Ward 2]

It was moved by Jenny Brekhus, seconded by Miguel Martinez, to approve the Amendment of Contract with CORE Construction for the Moana Springs Community Aquatics and Fitness Center for Phase GMP #2 in the amount of \$34,652,021 for a total contract amount of \$46,716,650 and to extend the Contract time for completion of the Phase GMP #2 work to August 26, 2024 and authorize the Mayor to sign..

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Jenny Brekhus, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

Justin George, City of Reno Public Works Senior Civil Engineer, gave the staff presentation. He answered questions from Council and received feedback regarding plans for the art portion of the project.

Regional Infrastructure

D.2 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation, discussion, and potential direction to staff on future sewer policy items related to the management of the Sewer Fund as requested at the January 11, 2023 Council meeting.

John Flansberg, City of Reno Regional Infrastructure Administrator, gave a presentation to Council.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUERR ABSENT AT 11:47 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER DUERR PRESENT AT 11:50 AM

COUNCIL MEMBER EBERT ABSENT AT 11:50 AM
COUNCIL MEMBER EBERT PRESENT AT 11:50 AM

COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS ABSENT AT 12:15 PM
COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS PRESENT AT 12:16 PM

Council Member Brekhus made the following disclosure:
“My husband, Armondo Ornelas Jr., is the Community Services Director for the City of Sparks and under his chain of command is TMWRF.”

Council Member Brekhus stated the memo and presentation were good and Mr. Flansberg is doing a good job moving us forward on this issue that is so important at this time. She asked that he not get too far ahead on some of these issues before Council can give broad policy direction.

Mr. Flansberg responded to some of the issues mentioned during public comment and answered questions and received feedback from Council.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Naomi Duerr, to accept the report.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Naomi Duerr, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

City Manager's Office

D.3 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation, discussion and potential direction to staff regarding the disposition of property located at 1610 and 1790 West Fourth Street (APN 010-610-10 and 010-610-11), Reno, Nevada, in response to a Letter of Interest by JM Ranches, LLC. [Ward 1]

Items D.3 and L.5.1 were opened and heard together.

COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS ABSENT AT 12:27 PM

Bryan McArdle, City of Reno Revitalization Manager, gave a presentation and

answered questions from Council.

COUNCIL MEMBER BREKHUS PRESENT AT 12:33 PM

Discussion on the motion:

Council Member Brekhus expressed concern regarding the potential for residential next to commercial fuel. She proposed that Council think about restricting some heavy industrial uses if they are allowed by the zoning on these parcels.

Mayor Schieve stated Council Member Brekhus makes a good point, and asked about the interested party's intention.

Josh Thieriot, representing JM Ranches, stated their intent right now is just to restore the warehouse. He thinks there are some easements that inhibit any sort of major development there. He confirmed for Mayor Schieve the intent is to stay in the same use for the near term.

Council Member Brekhus will not support the motion. When a city sells property we are not just doing transaction work, we are trying to advance policy and we can't just go off what the buyer says. We have seen people buy property and immediately flip it. We need to look at if we are preserving industrial uses in this corridor or not.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to approve staff recommendation.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	Jenny Brekhus
ABSENT:	

E Ordinances - Introduction (Other Ordinance, Introduction items may be found under the following agenda sections: Public Hearings, and/or Standard Department Items.)

- E.1 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Ordinance Introduction - Bill No. _____ Ordinance amending the Reno Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.08, to modify the frequency and number of required meetings of the Financial Advisory Board.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ ABSENT AT 12:52 PM

Vicki VanBuren, City of Reno Director of Finance, gave the staff presentation and answered questions from Council.

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ PRESENT AT 12:54 PM

Council Member Brekhus discussed an ordinance requirement to review the Financial Advisory Board every three years that has not been done. We need to do a full scale analysis of our boards and commissions and not tinker on the edges with things like how often they meet, particularly when we are negligent in administering the ordinance.

Mayor Schieve agreed that the boards and commissions do need to be reviewed but that is a separate issue that can be addressed at another time.

Discussion on the motion:

Council Member Brekhus disagreed that the issue is off topic and will not support the motion.

Bill No. 7228 was referred for a second reading and adoption.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to refer Bill No. 7228 for second reading and adoption.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	Jenny Brekhus
ABSENT:	

F Ordinances - Adoption

- F.1 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Ordinance Adoption – Bill No. 7225 LDC23-00022 (Golden Valley Commerce Center Zoning Map Amendment) Request for a zoning map amendment from the Mixed-Use Suburban (MS) zoning district to the Industrial Commercial (IC) zoning district. The ±6.08 acre site is located on the southeast side of West Golden Valley Road approximately ±298 feet southwest of its intersection with North Virginia Street. The subject site has a Master Plan land use designation of Industrial (I). [Ward 4]

Discussion on the motion:

Council Member Brekhus stated she is voting no for this zoning district. Once again 24-hour operation logistics warehouses are going to be allowed to the detriment of the quality of life of Ward 4 residents.

Ordinance No. 6644 was adopted.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to adopt Ordinance No. 6644.

RESULT:	Pass [4 TO 3]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Reese, Schieve, Taylor, Martinez
NAYS:	Naomi Duerr, Jenny Brekhus, Meghan Ebert
ABSENT:	

- F.2 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Ordinance Adoption - Bill No. 7226 Case No. LDC23-00023 (455 Crampton Street Master Plan and Zoning Map Amendments) Request for a zoning map amendment for a ±0.16 acre site from Multi-Family Residential - 14 units per acre/ Wells Avenue Neighborhood Plan (MF-14/WANP) to General Commercial/Wells Avenue Neighborhood Plan (GC/WANP). The site is located north of Crampton Street ±170 feet east of its intersection with Wells Avenue. [Ward 3]

Ordinance No. 6645 was adopted.

It was moved by Miguel Martinez, seconded by Devon Reese, to adopt Ordinance No. 6645.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

- F.3 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Ordinance Adoption - Bill No. 7227 Ordinance amending Reno Municipal Code Title 12 entitled "Public Works and Utilities, Chapter 12.16 Sewer Service, Section 12.16.290, dwelling unit or residential unit, and Section 12.16.300, industrial/commercial connection fee, to revise the connection fee rates for both residential and industrial/commercial, to establish the fees by service area, and to provide for an annual fee increase per the consumer price index-all urban consumers (CPI-U) for the west urban area, together with matters which pertain to or are necessarily connected thereto.

For the record we received 1 comment(s) which were directly associated with the agenda item prior to 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2023. These comment(s) were

written correspondence received via our Reno.gov online public comment form or by email to our office. Copies of these comment(s) have been distributed to the Reno City Council and are available to the public on the Reno.gov meeting portal.

0 in favor, 1 in opposition, 0 concerned from the following individual(s):

Michael Caltagirone

Council Member Taylor asked about the possibility of moving the effective date out a couple months to have discussions with stakeholders.

John Flansberg, City of Reno Regional Infrastructure Administrator, explained that this will be enacted on new permit applications that come in and he does not recommend pushing it out.

Mayor Schieve noted that a 30 day notice was given.

City Manager Doug Thornley stated he is not sure it can be pushed out for adoption until April. If the question is whether we can push the effective date of an adopted ordinance out so that we have time to clean up the code provisions that we were talking about today during Mr. Flansberg earlier presentation, that is something that we can accomplish.

Council Member Taylor confirmed that was the intent of her question.

Ordinance No. 6646 was adopted.

It was moved by Jenny Brekhuis, seconded by Devon Reese, to adopt Ordinance No. 6646.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Jenny Brekhuis, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhuis, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

G City Clerk

- G.1 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of changes to the City Council's appointment(s) to the Truckee River Flood Management Authority Board of Directors due to a vacancy left by Vice Mayor Devon Reese resigning his position; and a possible subsequent appointment to the alternate position in the event of a vacancy; from the following pool of candidates, listed in alphabetical order: Jenny Brekhuis, Meghan Ebert, Miguel Martinez, Devon Reese, Hillary Schieve,

and/or Kathleen Taylor.

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Naomi Duerr, to approve the appointment of Miguel Martinez as the Member and Kathleen Taylor as the Alternate to the Truckee River Flood Management Authority Board of Directors.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Naomi Duerr, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

H Mayor and Council

- H.1 City Council Comments, including announcements regarding City boards and commissions, activities of local charitable organizations and upcoming local community events. (NonAction Item)

Council Member Reese spoke about the upcoming 52nd annual St. Patrick's Day dinner.

I Public Hearings 6:00 PM (Items scheduled to be heard at a specific time will be heard no earlier than the stated time, but may be heard later.)

For the record we received 3 comments which were general in nature or not directly associated with an agenda item after 4pm on January 24, 2023. These comments were written correspondence received via our Reno.gov online public comment form or by email to our office. Copies of these comments have been distributed to the Reno City Council and are available to the public on the Reno.gov meeting portal.

1 in favor, 0 in opposition, 2 concerned from the following individual(s):

Joe Atack

Sean McCoy

Michael Pagni The Di Loreto Companies

J Public Comment (This item is for either public comment on any action item or for any general public comment.)

For the record we received 3 comments which were general in nature or not directly associated with an agenda item after to 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2023. These comments were written correspondence received via our Reno.gov online public comment form or by email to our office. Copies of these comments have been distributed to the Reno City Council and are available to the public on the Reno.gov meeting portal.

K Adjournment (For Possible Action)

It was moved by Miguel Martinez, seconded by Devon Reese, to adjourn.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

L Redevelopment Agency Board

L.1 Roll Call

Council Member Brekhus absent at Roll Call and returned during Item D.3.

L.2 Public Comment

None

L.3 Approval of the Agenda (For Possible Action) – 25 January 2023

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

L.4 Approval of Minutes

L.4.1 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Reno City Council - Joint - December 14, 2022 10:00 AM (For Possible Action)

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	

L.5 Department Items

- L.5.1 ***SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPORTING MATERIALS*** - Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation, discussion and potential direction to staff regarding the disposition of property located at 1610 and 1790 West Fourth Street (APN 010-610-10 and 010-610-11), Reno, Nevada, in response to a Letter of Interest by JM Ranches, LLC. [Ward 1]

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Kathleen Taylor, to approve.

RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathleen Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	Jenny Brekhus
ABSENT:	

Items D.3 and L.5.1 were opened and heard together.

- L.6 Redevelopment Agency Board Comments, including announcements regarding City boards and commissions, activities of local charitable organizations and upcoming local community events. (Non-Action Item)**

None

- L.7 Public Comment (This item is for either public comment on any action item or for any general public comment.)**

None

- L.8 Adjournment (For Possible Action)**

It was moved by Devon Reese, seconded by Miguel Martinez, to adjourn.

RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
MOVER:	Devon Reese, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Miguel Martinez, Councilmember
AYES:	Schieve, Reese, Duerr, Brekhus, Taylor, Martinez, Ebert
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	