

**B.18** Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation to support the Latino Student Advisory Board's mission to empower Latino students to develop as leaders and advocates through workshops, mentoring, and civic engagement initiatives from Councilmember Martinez (\$3,000) and Councilmember Anderson (\$1,412) in the total amount of \$4,412. (General Fund) [Martinez] [Anderson]

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** January 22, 2025

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Through:** Jackie Bryant, City Manager

**Subject:** Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation to support the Latino Student Advisory Board's mission to empower Latino students to develop as leaders and advocates through workshops, mentoring, and civic engagement initiatives from Councilmember Martinez (\$3,000) and Councilmember Anderson (\$1,412) in the total amount of \$4,412. (General Fund) [Martinez] [Anderson]

**From:** Abigail Mayorga, Community Liaison

**Department:** City Manager's Office – Council Donations

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**Summary:**

Councilmember Martinez (\$3,000) and Anderson (\$1,412) would like to allocate \$4,412 from Council Discretionary Funds assigned for fiscal year (FY) 24/25 to University of Nevada Reno Foundation to the Latino Research Center funds are allocated to each Council member each FY to be used to help support the initiatives of local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	X	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		X
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
<b>Other Considerations</b>		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?	<1%	

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

Economic and Community Development

**Previous Council Action:**

There is no recent Council action relevant to this item.

**Financial Implications:**

Funds are budgeted for Council Discretionary Funds in the General Fund.

**Legal Implications:**

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law. Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 268.028(1) states that the governing body of a city may make donations to nonprofit organizations created for religious, charitable, or educational purposes to be used for a selected purpose. The donated funds must be used to provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the city. Council approval is required before the recommended funds transfer can take place.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends Council adopt the Resolution.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move to adopt the Resolution.

**Attachments:**

Martinez Anderson LSAC Resolution

**RESOLUTION DONATING COUNCIL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO THE  
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT THE LATINO  
STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD'S MISSION TO EMPOWERS LATINO STUDENTS TO  
DEVELOP AS LEADERS AND ADVOCATES THROUGH WORKSHOPS, MENTORING,  
AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES FROM COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ  
(\$3,000) AND COUNCILMEMBER ANDERSON (\$1,412) IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF  
\$4,412. (GENERAL FUND)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Reno may donate funds in accordance with NRS 268.028, entitled "Expenditure of public money; grant of public money and donation of certain property to certain nonprofit organizations or governmental entities" when such expenditure provides a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the University of Nevada Reno Foundation which supports the Latino Student Advisory Board works in collaboration with the University of Nevada, community organizations and national agencies to meet the educational needs and goals of the State of Nevada and honor the intellectual and cultural capital of the Latino presence in our state; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Latino Student Advisory Board was initiated in 2007 with the purpose of gaining student direction for the LRC and provide Latinx students a welcoming space to come together in enhancing the Hispanic community of Nevada through public outreach, academic excellence and advocacy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Latino Research Center Student Advisory Board of the Latino Research Center is primarily composed of University students, but also incorporates ideas and suggestions from faculty members and prominent community leaders, who strive for the enhancement of the Hispanic community in Nevada through public outreach, academic excellence and advocacy; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Reno approves the Council donation from Councilmember Martinez (\$3,000) and Anderson (\$1, 412) in the total sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$4,412) to the University of Nevada Reno Foundation to support the Latino Research Center at the University of Nevada, Reno to offset the costs associated with their mission to foster research, student achievement, faculty collaboration, advocacy and outreach; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the above donation or any portion thereof not be used for the purpose as set forth in this Resolution, any unused funds shall be returned to the City of Reno.

Upon motion by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

ATTEST:

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HILLARY SCHIEVE MAYOR

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MIKKI HUNTSMAN  
CITY CLERK