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**RENO**  
Memorandum

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**DATE:** February 27, 2026

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**THROUGH:** Jackie Bryant, City Manager

**FROM:** Tyler Shaw, Agenda Manager

**DEPT:** City Manager's Office

**SUBJECT:** 03/11/26 City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board Meetings Draft Agenda Memo

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## **City Council Meeting**

### **A Introductory Items**

#### **A.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **A.2 Roll Call**

#### **A.3 Public Comment**

**A.4 Approval of the Agenda (For Possible Action) – 11 March 2026**

**A.5 Approval of the Minutes**

A.5.1 Reno City Council - Regular - February 11, 2026 at 10:00 AM (For Possible Action)

**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. Any items pulled from the consent agenda will be heard at the discretion of the presiding officer.)**

B.1 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License – On-Premises Alcohol, Cabaret (Change of Ownership) – Abby's Highway 40, Shane Turner, Shelby Hagensmith, 424 East 4th Street. [Ward 1]

**Summary:**

This is an application (R167282Q-APP-2026) by Abby's Highway 40 for on-premises alcohol and cabaret activity. The business is located at 424 East 4th Street in Ward 1 (Exhibit A) and the zoning designation is Mixed-Use Downtown Innovation District (MD-ID). Planning comments note that an existing bar, lounge with cabaret activity is an existing nonconforming use and permitted to operate 24 hours a day. Staff recommends that Council approve the privileged business license application.

B.2 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License – Alcohol Manufacturer's Package Alcohol License (Change of Description) – Slieve Brewing & Distilling Company, Philip Mountain, 495 Morrill Avenue. [Ward 1]

**Summary:**

This is an application (R156665Q-AMD-2025a) by Slieve Brewing & Distilling Company for a change of description to add alcohol manufacturer's package alcohol. The business is located at 495 Morrill Avenue in Ward 1 (Exhibit A) and the zoning designation is Mixed-Use Urban (MU). Planning comments note that accessory package alcohol sales is an allowed use and the business may operate 24 hours a day. Additionally, package alcohol sales at microbreweries exempted from the perishable food and survey requirements per RMC 18.03.405(n)(1)d.2 and 18.03.405(n)(2)b. Staff recommends that Council approve the privileged business license application.

- B.3 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of a Nevada State Liquor Manufacturer’s License Application for Philip Mountain, Mountain Brewing LLC dbas Slieve Brewing & Distilling Company, located at 495 Morrill Avenue, and if approved, authorize the Director of Business Licensing to sign the Nevada State Liquor License Application. [Ward 1]

**Summary:**

This is an application (R156665Q-AMD-2025a) by Mountain Brewing LLC dbas Slieve Brewing & Distilling Company (“Slieve”), located at 495 Morrill Avenue, for a change of description their existing Nevada State Liquor Manufacturer’s license to include distilling operations. Nevada Revised Statutes (“NRS”) require Council to review applications submitted for state licenses that will operate within the City. Based upon a background investigation conducted by the Reno Police Department (“RPD”), Council must find satisfactory evidence that the applicant is of good moral character in order to approve. Staff recommends that Council find satisfactory evidence that the applicant, Philip Mountain, is of good moral character and approve the state license application for Slieve and authorize the Director of Business Licensing to sign the application.

- B.4 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License – On-Premises Wine and Beer (New) – Snack Attack! Concessions, Carly Mills, Jennifer Montrose, 2975 North Virginia Street. [Ward 1]

**Summary:**

This is an application (R167222Q-APP-2026) by Snack Attack! Concessions for on-premises wine and beer at the Reno Sports Complex. The business is located at 2975 North Virginia Street in Ward 1 (Exhibit A) and the zoning designation is Mixed-Use Suburban (MS). Planning comments note that a bar is an allowed use and permitted to operate from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Staff recommends that Council approve the privileged business license application.

- B.5 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License – Package Alcohol (Change of Ownership) – La Patrona Market & Liquor, Yahaira Wagner, Kurt McDowell, 160 East Grove Street. [Ward 3]

**Summary:**

This is an application (R167293Q-APP-2026) by La Patrona Market & Liquor for package alcohol. The business is located at 160 East Grove Street in Ward 3 (Exhibit A) and the zoning designation is Mixed-Use Urban (MU). Planning comments note that a convenience store with accessory packaged alcohol is an existing nonconforming use and permitted to operate 24 hours a day. Staff recommends that Council approve the privileged business license application.

- B.6 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Privileged Business License – Wholesale Liquor (Change of Description) – New West Distributing Inc., Matthew Park, Cassidy Park, Amy Beal, Not in City.

**Summary:**

This is an application (R101454Q-AMD-2025a) by New West Distributing Inc. for wholesale alcohol. The business is based in Sparks, Nevada and currently holds a Nevada State Liquor Wholesaler’s license (Exhibit A). Staff recommends that Council approve the privileged business license application.

- B.7 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Authorization to purchase audible pedestrian signals from Advanced Traffic Products, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$575,000 pursuant to NRS 332.115(1)(d). (CDBG Funds)

**Summary:**

Staff requests authorization to purchase and install Audible Pedestrian Signal (APS) equipment utilizing allocated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.

APS installations provide critical accessibility features for individuals who are blind or have low vision and support the City’s compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Approval of this item advances implementation of the City’s ADA Transition Plan by proactively removing accessibility barriers within the public right-of-way, reducing potential legal exposure, and promoting equitable access to transportation infrastructure.

The City of Reno maintains 285 signalized intersections, of which 197 have been upgraded with APS through prior CDBG investments and coordinated roadway rehabilitation efforts. Remaining locations are prioritized under the ADA Transition Plan using objective criteria including proximity to transit and public facilities, pedestrian volumes, safety considerations, and community input. Prioritization is conducted in coordination with the Reno Access Advisory Committee to ensure equity-driven implementation.

This purchase will upgrade approximately 75 additional intersections, advancing the City significantly toward full systemwide APS coverage. Should equipment pricing allow, staff will maximize available CDBG funding to complete additional locations without exceeding the total allocation.

CDBG funding is an eligible source for these improvements as the installations enhance accessibility within low- and moderate-income areas and address identified barriers to public infrastructure access.

Staff recommends authorization to purchase APS equipment from Advanced Traffic Products pursuant to NRS 332.115(1)(d), as the equipment is compatible with the City’s existing signal infrastructure and maintains system

standardization. Staff further recommends authorizing the Finance Director to execute any resulting purchase orders, with total expenditures not to exceed \$575,000.

- B.8 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of a License, Indemnity, and Maintenance Agreement between the City of Reno and Damonte Ranch Drainage District (DRDD) for construction and maintenance of floodway style fence across a portion of APN 140-030-19 located at 0 Bucephalus Parkway for the purpose of preventing access by wild horses through or across the DRDD property. (Street Fund)

**Summary:**

As part of the City of Reno's Horse Protection Project – North Phase fencing project, a gap was identified within a drainage parcel that allowed horses to access neighborhood streets in South Reno. The Damonte Ranch Drainage District (DRDD) is the owner of the parcel and granted the City access to install a section of fence across the parcel to eliminate the fencing gap and provide a continuous barrier between the Virginia Range and City of Reno development. This license agreement outlines the responsibilities of the City to design, construct, and maintain this section of fence in accordance with DRDD design standards and drainage requirements.

- B.9 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of new subrecipient agreement between the City of Reno and Johns Hopkins University for the "2024-2027 Love Your Block" program, reflecting \$60,000 in additional funding and an extended grant term.

**Summary:**

Staff is requesting Council approval of a new subrecipient agreement between the City of Reno and Johns Hopkins University for the "2024-2027 Love Your Block" program. The updated agreement reflects additional grant funding to support staffing and extends the grant period to allow for continued program implementation. The Love Your Block program supports resident-led neighborhood revitalization projects. Approval of this agreement will ensure the City remains in compliance with grant requirements and can fully utilize the \$60,000 additional funding, which was awarded due to year one program success.

- B.10 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of the acceptance of a Battalion Chief (BC) Truck from the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority (RTAA), valued at \$44,278.51, as part of the consolidation of fire services with the Reno Fire Department.

**Summary:**

As part of the consolidation of fire services between the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority (RTAA) and the Reno Fire Department (RFD), the RTAA is transferring ownership of one Battalion Chief (BC) Truck to the City of Reno for use by the Reno Fire Department. This vehicle supports command-level emergency response and operational oversight.

Acceptance of the BC Truck ensures continuity of service, maintains operational readiness, and supports unified command operations under the consolidated fire service model. The vehicle has a current book value of \$44,278.51; however, there is no acquisition or purchase cost to the City associated with this transfer.

Approving acceptance of this vehicle aligns with the Council’s strategic goals of Public Safety and Fiscal Sustainability by leveraging existing assets to support emergency response capabilities without additional capital expenditure. Staff recommends Council approve acceptance of the Battalion Chief Truck from RTAA.

- B.11 Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Resolution of the Reno City Council adopting the 2026 City of Reno Public Works Design Manual.

**Summary:**

The Public Works Design Manual (PWDM) establishes the technical engineering standards for the design and construction of public infrastructure within the public right-of-way.

The Manual was last comprehensively updated in 2009, with a targeted revision to the Quality Assurance Program in 2016. The proposed 2026 update aligns the Manual with the updated Reno Municipal Code Title 18 (Development Code) and current industry best practices.

Staff recommends Council adopt the attached resolution approving the 2026 City of Reno Public Works Design Manual.

**C Department Items**

- C.1 Presentation and update on construction progress and funding status for the new domestic violence resource center on Vassar street (For Discussion Only) – Domestic Violence Resource Center (DVRC) Staff. [Guest Presentation]

**Summary:** NO SUMMARY

- C.2 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation and discussion on stakeholder feedback with regard to possible nonprofit organization registration requirements with potential direction to staff. [Business Licensing]

**Summary:**

On June 11, 2025, Council directed staff to conduct community outreach with regard to regulating nonprofit organization (NPO) registration. This report presents the results of that outreach, including feedback gathered through stakeholder meetings and a survey.

Council is now asked to review these findings and determine next steps. Based on Council's direction, staff will either proceed with drafting an ordinance or maintain the current voluntary registration approach.

- C.3 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Acceptance of the Downtown Management Company, LLC, Marketing Plan, Annual Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Plan for the Ballroom Facility for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2026. (Ballroom Capital Project Fund) [Finance]

**Summary:**

On December 14, 2011 Council approved the Amended and Restated Ballroom Facility Management Agreement (Agreement). This agreement provides for the Marketing Plan, Annual Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to be approved each year by Council. The Marketing Plan, Capital Expenditure Schedule and annual budget are attached. Staff recommends Council accept the Marketing Plan, Capital Expenditure Schedule and Annual Operating Budget for 2026.

- C.4 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation, discussion, and potential direction to staff on major opportunity areas tied to the FY27-29 Strategic Plan areas of focus of Fiscal Stewardship and Legal Obligations. [Office of Policy and Strategy]

**Summary:**

This item introduces the first major opportunity areas (MOAs) identified for the City of Reno's FY27-29 Strategic Plan. MOAs are targeted, time-bound initiatives where focused effort and resources over the next three fiscal years can advance Council priorities, improve service delivery, and address root causes of community challenges. These efforts require City Council leadership and coordinated action across departments. This report outlines the MOAs associated with the first two focus areas approved by Council: Fiscal Stewardship and Legal Obligations. The FY27-29 Strategic Plan is structured around a 36-month implementation cycle designed to accelerate progress and support completion of

Council-identified initiatives. This approach focuses limited resources, strengthens service delivery, reduces organizational risk, and advances the City's mission of creating a community that people are proud to call home. Following this introductory strategic plan item, staff will bring forth the remaining three areas of focus to facilitate a conversation among the body about the specific MOAs for those areas. After all of the plan sections have been provided to Council for discussion, the drafted plan will be provided to the community to review and ask questions. After the engagement period, the City Council will be asked to take formal action on the FY27-29 Strategic Plan.

- C.5 Staff Report (For Possible Action): Presentation and potential acceptance of the Downtown Reno Partnership's FY 2027 Downtown Reno Business Improvement District Operating Plan, Budget, and Annual Assessment Rate Adjustment. [Economic Development]

**Summary:**

On an annual basis, the Downtown Reno Partnership (DRP) which manages the Downtown Reno Business Improvement District (BID), is required to present to the Council their proposed annual operating plan, budget, and assessment adjustment for the ensuing fiscal year (FY). This plan and budget will become the basis of levying the assessments by Council during a public hearing at a future date.

The DRP's Operating Plan and Budget for FY 2027 is projected to be \$4,146,188.18. The DRP Board has approved not to impose an increase in the assessment rate for FY 2027. The approximate increase of \$158,188.18 in annual assessment revenue over FY 2026 is primarily driven by updates to property values and changes in ownership groups that have varying rates. The assessment budget represents the revenue collected through property assessments only during the fiscal year and should not be confused with the DRP's operating revenue and expenses for the organization.

**D 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.1 Ordinance Introduction - Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Case No. LDC26-00029 (Whispering Road Zoning Map Amendment) Ordinance to amend Title 18, Chapter 18.02 of the Reno Municipal Code, entitled "Zoning", rezone rezoning ±0.23 acre site located north of Crystal Park Road, approximately ±60 feet north of its intersection with South Verdi Road and Quilici Ranch Road (595 Crystal Park Road) and more particularly described in the attached "Exhibit A"

and rezoning said property from Public Facility (PF) to General Commercial (GC); together with matters which pertain to or are connected therewith. [Ward 5]

**Summary:**

This is a request for a zoning map amendment from Public Facility (PF) to General Commercial (GC) on a ±0.23-acre parcel. Approval of this application will allow the proposed Maintenance, Repair, and Renovation use, which is consistent with the SMU Master Plan and surrounding commercial zoning, and will establish clear standards for outdoor storage and future expansion. Key issues include: (1) compatibility with surrounding zoning and land uses; (2) conformance with the Reno Municipal Code; and (3) conformance with the Master Plan. Staff finds the proposed amendment is compatible with surrounding uses and in conformance with the Master Plan. The Planning Commission recommends approval of the zoning map amendment.

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

**F Ordinances - Adoption**

**G Board, Commission, or Committee Appointments**

**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. (For Discussion Only)

**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.)**

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

**K Adjournment (For Possible Action)**

# **Redevelopment Agency Board Meeting**

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## **B Department Items**

## **C Reno Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board**

C.1 Reno Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Update (For Discussion Only)  
– Chair Paul Klein

## **D Mayor and Council**

D.1 Redevelopment Agency Board Comments, including announcements regarding City boards and commissions, activities of local charitable organizations and upcoming local community events. (Non-Action Item)

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

**F Adjournment (For Possible Action)**