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2026 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES **DRAFT**

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

9:00 AM

MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Brian O'Neal, Carlito Rayos, Kenny Holding, Carolyn Levering, Ben Erickson, Ana Chavez, Diana Clarkson, Jayson Andrus, Toni Barnes, Misty Robinson.

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Steven De Pue, Gary Stevenson, Ryan Turner, Josh Barrone, Harriett Vegas, Diane Orgill.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Greg Chesser, Harry DuBray, Bryan Ostaszewski.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Brian O'Neal called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM on Tuesday, July 14, 2026.

II. Roll Call

Quorum present.

III. Public Comments

The Chair made comments regarding meeting scheduling and the accommodation of presenters requesting to speak earlier in the agenda. It was noted that while efforts are made to accommodate such requests, when possible, the same courtesy should be extended to all presenters. The Chair emphasized the importance of respecting the time commitment of

all attendees, including chief officers and staff, given the length of the meeting. The Chair apologized for any disruption to the agenda order that resulted from accommodating early presenters.

IV. Comments from the Chair

The Chair welcomed attendees to the special meeting and thanked members for their participation. The Chair provided an overview of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) project review process and highlighted key requirements established through the Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee (NRAC) guidance.

The Chair advised that all UASI-funded projects must demonstrate a direct nexus to enhancing capabilities related to preventing, protecting against, responding to, and recovering from acts of terrorism, while also supporting preparedness for other hazards. It was noted that all projects are expected to be completed within a single funding cycle, and that previous project categories (Maintain, Enhance, and New) have been eliminated. Each project must include a sustainment plan identifying the requesting agency's responsibility for ongoing maintenance costs, as future grant funding is not guaranteed. NRAC has established both national and state priority areas. While these priorities identify eligible spending categories, they do not prescribe funding levels. This body is responsible for determining appropriate funding priorities, balancing regional capability needs with agency operational responsibilities. The Chair emphasized that grant-funded positions should transition to agency general funds whenever possible due to the uncertainty of future grant funding. Members were reminded that project applications should address documented capability gaps identified through the regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) process. The Chair stressed the importance of maintaining a regional perspective, noting that grant-funded resources must be available for mutual aid and shared among jurisdictions in accordance with applicable agreements and FEMA requirements.

The Chair encouraged members to evaluate ongoing funding requests carefully in order to maximize available funding for projects that provide significant regional capability improvements. The Chair outlined the meeting procedures for project presentations. Each applicant would be

allotted a maximum of five minutes to present, with a four-minute time warning. Following each presentation, voting members would have the opportunity to ask clarifying questions. Questions from non-voting attendees were directed to be submitted through their respective voting member. The Chair further explained that, after all project presentations were completed, the Committee would review projects for potential scope reductions. Projects identified as required funding would be moved above the funding line before the remaining projects were prioritized and considered for funding. Applicants were instructed to present their projects as originally submitted, with discussions regarding possible reductions to occur during the subsequent review process.

V. *Review and Approve 05/13/2026 Meeting Minutes

Carolyn Levering, motion to approve the meeting minutes. **Ana Chavez** seconded. No further discussion. **Motion carried.**

VI. *Review and Discuss: FFY 2026 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) presentation of Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant applications. Each presenter will have up to four minutes to provide an overview of the grant application. This item will also allow for questions and discussion of the grant applications, grant compliance issues, and changes in the grant program as reflected in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), and Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee and Nevada Homeland Security Commission priorities. Presentation must be based on the submitted grant application. Projects were not presented in order.

1. Project A: City of Henderson, PD Drones, \$1,079,442.47.

- Three drone docks strategically located to provide coverage for 70% of violent crime areas, critical infrastructure, and all officer-involved shooting locations from the past three years. A 30-day pilot demonstrated the drones were first on scene 71% of the time and resolved 16% of calls without requiring police or fire response, resulting in significant personnel savings. The project includes a five-year maintenance and technology refresh plan, with long-term software sustainment funded by the city's foundation after the grant period.
- Ana Chavez asked about the justification for the proposed three-drone "daisy chain" deployment, project costs, and long-

term funding. It was explained that the proposal is based on over a year of planning, a successful pilot program, and lessons learned from regional partners, with the daisy chain approach providing broader coverage and greater operational flexibility. The higher project cost reflects updated vendor pricing, expanded equipment, and a comprehensive five-year package that includes software, batteries, cellular connectivity, maintenance, and technology updates.

- It was stated that the project is not scalable.
- Carolyn Levering pointed out whether a five-year sustainment plan is allowable under a federal grant with a three-year performance period, noting that recipients are often limited to shorter funding periods.
- A member in the group indicated that the State had provided preliminary verbal approval for a five-year warranty, provided it is purchased upfront, while noting that final eligibility remains subject to FEMA's review and approval during the grant process.
- Susan Coyote stated that the federal grant period of performance is three years and cannot be extended beyond that timeframe. She noted that this three-year limitation applies to each annual grant.
- Diana Clarkson clarified that if a warranty is included in the initial procurement package and its cost is built into the equipment purchase price, it is considered an allowable expense under the grant. An example was provided of a vehicle purchased with a five-year warranty included in the equipment cost. The same principle applies to drones, where the vendor incorporates the warranty cost into the equipment line item, resulting in a single equipment purchase that includes warranty coverage.
- Susan Coyote confirmed that warranties purchased as part of the initial equipment acquisition are allowable, even if the warranty extends beyond the grant's three-year period of performance. The key requirement is that the full cost of the warranty is paid during the grant period.

2. Project AJ: LVMPD, SNCTC Sustain, \$1,482,753.00

- Support the continued operations of the Fusion Center, including resources for more than 20 partner agencies housed within the center and their day-to-day operational needs.
- Ana Chavez noted that the request was reduced by 8% from the previous year as part of an effort to decrease reliance on grant funding and transition sustainment costs to agency budgets.

3. Project AC: LVMPD, ARMOR Guaranties, \$48,700.00

- This project has been reduced from \$70,000.00 to \$48,700.00.

4. Project AF: LVMPD, Incident Communications, \$300,000.00

- Project intended to address communication, notification, and coordination challenges among multiple agencies during emergency responses. The project would enhance text and audio-based emergency notifications and 9-1-1 communications. It was clarified that the project does not involve radio systems or Motorola equipment, but rather technology used to improve multi-agency communication and coordination.

5. Project AI: LVMPD, SNCTC Enhance, \$775,353.00

- Proposed investment to enhance the counterterrorism and analytical side of the Fusion Center, following recent improvements to the drone operations area.
- Fusion Center improvements are supported through HSGP, the LVMPD budget, and private funding. Approximately \$250,000 has already been secured through private funding for construction and revitalization efforts. Additional funding would support infrastructure improvements and the implementation of new technologies for the counterterrorism and analytical functions.
- The project is scalable.

6. Project AB: LVMPD, ARMOR Hazardous Material Technology, \$82,000.00

- The project would address a current capability gap identified during a recent bio-lab incident. Response teams can detect hazardous chemicals but do not currently can identify the specific substance.
- The requested equipment would allow responders to identify hazardous substances on-site, reducing delays and the need to wait for outside resources. The project supports the priority of strengthening CBRN response capabilities.
- A question was raised regarding whether this chemical identification capability is available elsewhere in the state and how quickly it could be deployed.
- Ryan Flood, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue, stated that CBRN units currently have infrared, Raman, and gas chromatography technology for presumptive chemical detection. These portable devices are available for CBRN responses when requested.
- It was discussed whether the proposed equipment would provide new capability or duplicate existing resources. It was suggested that agencies further discuss their needs and determine whether additional equipment is necessary for coverage or redundancy.

7. Project AA: LVMPD, ARMOR CBRNE/UGV Response Vehicle, \$287,000.00

- The request is to replace the current vehicles used to transport ARMOR equipment, including a 2006 International 4000 Series truck and a 2010 Chevy Express, which are outdated and beyond their expected mileage.
- Replacing the vehicle would ensure ARMOR can continue to operate and respond effectively. While this is currently considered a lower-priority request, the need will become more urgent if replacement is delayed.
- The vehicle supports a regional capability shared among agencies participating in the task force.
- It was noted that vehicle replacement should be considered either this year or in a future funding cycle as the current vehicles continue to age.

8. Project AG: LVMPD, SWAT Overwatch Program, \$40,000.00.

- This is the third and final year of a three-year project for tactical drones used by the SWAT team. The request is approximately \$40,000 for final year sustainment. Larger drone systems will be pursued through private fundraising rather than HSGP funding.
- LVMPD does not anticipate requesting funding for this project next year and will explore other funding sources for future drone needs.

9. Project AK: LVMPD, SWAT Communications, \$100,000.00.

- This project will fund 60 secondary radios to support SWAT operations during major events, active shooter responses, and dignitary protection. The radios provide an additional channel to coordinate with other agencies while maintaining the team's operational channel.
- The existing dual radios will not be compatible with LVMPD's upgraded Motorola radio system. LVMPD will continue to fund the primary SWAT radios through its regular budget.
- The request was identified as a Homeland Security need because of SWAT's role in multi-agency and Homeland Security operations.
- The radios are approximately \$1,667 each. It was noted that this was originally a one-time request in 2019, and another upgrade was not anticipated.

10. Project AH: LVMPD, MACTAC Shields, \$495,000.00.

- This project is seeking smaller, rifle-rated ballistic shields to address a current protection gap for officers responding to high-risk incidents. The shields are intended for indoor and confined-space operations, where larger existing shields are difficult to maneuver.
- Shields would be placed primarily in TAC vehicles. Certain specialized units with TAC vehicles could also receive the equipment. The equipment would not be issued to every patrol vehicle.
- This project is scalable; the request can be phased. LVMPD could initially equip a portion of TAC vehicles and expand the capability as funding becomes available. A regional

purchasing model could also allow resources to be distributed among multiple agencies.

- The requested shields are intended to provide a new capability, rather than simply replace existing equipment. The primary need identified is compact, rifle-rated ballistic protection that officers can effectively use inside buildings and other confined environments.

11. Project AE: LVMPD, Coordinated Tactical Emergency Response, \$100,000.00

- Scalable project.
- This project will sustain and enhance specialized LVMPD capabilities not covered in the regular budget. Some items were partially funded last year; the current request includes both sustainment and enhancements.
- Equipment includes additional blue guns for JETI training, training equipment and technology for the Joint Emergency Training Institute (JETI), tracking technology for Major Violators Units, covert radio earpieces, and ballistic helmets for a small dignitary-protection unit.

12. Project AD: LVMPD, HSTF Threat Identification and Coordination, \$800,000.00

- The project is intended to support Homeland Security Task Force capabilities, including technology to address crime and transnational organized crime.
- It was discussed reducing the project by approximately \$32,876 so the request does not exceed the required 10% allocation.
- Low-priority project, scalable.

13. Project B: City of Las Vegas, Emergency Alerting Mass Notification, \$85,500.00

- Carolyn Levering presented this project, emphasized the importance of maintaining community resilience funding, noting that approximately 5% of available UASI funds are requested for this purpose; encouraged balancing

investments in equipment and response capabilities with community preparedness and resilience.

- Emergency Alerting and Mass Notification Project, which provides regional emergency notifications, IPAWS, and broadcast alerts.
- Following a cybersecurity incident involving the previous vendor, a new vendor was selected, and service was restored before year-end. The new vendor reduced the funding request by 2% and does not include annual contract increases.
- Carolyn Levering requested continued funding and favorable ranking of the project.

14. Project C: City of Las Vegas, Medical Response System (MMRS) – Maintain, \$233,650.00

- Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), which supports regional preparedness and response to large-scale medical emergencies. The program integrates EMS, fire, law enforcement, public health, hospitals, and emergency management. It was noted that standardized equipment will improve interagency coordination, responder safety, and consistency across jurisdictions.
- This year's request is to sustain capabilities for high-consequence and mass-casualty incidents. Approximately \$60,000 would support early detection and syndromic surveillance software. The remaining funding would support PPE and ballistic protection for fire department agencies throughout the UASI region.
- The request will address expired ballistic equipment, including helmets, plates, and carriers. Equipment will be distributed among Henderson, North Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Clark County, Mesquite, and Boulder City fire departments.
- Distribution will be based proportionally on agency size and number of units.
- The request is scalable.
- MMRS has historically facilitated the purchase and replacement of this equipment, with replacement generally based on the expiration of the equipment, helmets have a

five-year replacement cycle, and steel plates generally have a 10-year replacement cycle.

15. Project D: City of Las Vegas, JHAT Interoperability-Respiratory PPE, \$144,792.00

- Ryan Flood, City of Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, presented this project, requested funding for specialized respiratory protection for the regional Bomb Squad, all Southern Nevada, Arizona and Southern California. The equipment would allow personnel to operate longer in hazardous environments without leaving the hot zone to change respiratory protection.
- The new equipment would also be compatible with night vision and support coordination with the LVMPD Armor Division.
- The request includes equipment for the CBRN Unit and Bomb Squad, with packs assigned to response apparatus rather than individual personnel. It was noted that the equipment would improve operational continuity, responder safety, and regional response capabilities.

16. Project E: City of Las Vegas, SNFO Radiation Monitoring, \$235,038.00

- This project is requesting funding to replace outdated personal radiation detection monitors originally purchased through UASI in 2008. The equipment is no longer manufacturer-supported, with some units no longer functioning or repairable.
- The regional request would provide monitors for four-person fire apparatus and supervisory personnel across Clark County, Henderson, North Las Vegas, Mesquite, Boulder City, and Las Vegas.
- The request has been reduced from the original deployment model and would no longer place monitors on every apparatus, including ambulances and rescues.
- Las Vegas Fire reported that 28 of its 62 monitors have failed, creating a significant regional capability gap.
- The City of Las Vegas is serving as the sponsoring agency for a regional request developed jointly by the participating fire departments.

- Agencies reported that they have been absorbing maintenance costs while awaiting previously approved grant funding.

17. Project F: City of Las Vegas, Southern Nevada CRT Volunteer Program, \$129,280.20

- Irene Cedillo, Volunteer Program Coordinator, CRT, presented this project.
- The Southern Nevada CERT Program, launched in September 2023, has grown from 20 to approximately 100 trained volunteers. The program provides trained community volunteers who can support emergency agencies and promote preparedness and community resilience throughout Southern Nevada. Community interest in the program continues to grow, with requests for preparedness presentations increasing approximately 70% in FY2025.
- CERT volunteers have supported emergency shelter operations, reunification efforts, and community preparedness activities. Volunteers have contributed approximately 6,200 hours, representing more than \$200,000 in volunteer service.
- The program provides training in Incident Command System (ICS), psychological first aid, shelter operations, Red Cross sheltering, and advanced emergency response skills. Volunteers also participate in ride-along's and hands-on training with local fire and emergency response agencies.
- The program provides a trained regional volunteer resource that can supplement, but not replace, existing agency volunteer programs.
- Liability and responsibility for volunteers during deployments remain issues being addressed as agencies work toward formalizing those agreements.
- It was emphasized that continued funding would allow the program to maintain and expand volunteer training, preparedness outreach, and regional response capabilities.
- It was discussed about the possibility of this project combining with Project G. Carolyn Levering noted that the two projects were kept separate because the volunteer program was established as a new initiative rather than a sustainment

project. The projects could be combined if the Working Group determines that is appropriate, while noting that both components are important to the overall program.

- The discussion also addressed whether other jurisdictions have existing volunteer programs and how the regional CERT program could fill deployment and utilization gaps.

18. Project G: City of Las Vegas, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), \$307,149.00

- Malik Redmond, City of Las Vegas, Community Emergency Response Program Coordinator, presented this project.
- The CERT program provides 16-hour, two-day training focused on disaster preparedness, basic response skills, fire safety, rescue, and team organization. The program conducted 25 classes and trained approximately 300 participants during the past year.
- Participants may continue into the CERT Volunteer Program and support community preparedness and emergency response activities. The program maintains a database of approximately 5,000 trained CERT members, who receive ongoing preparedness information and training opportunities.
- CERT works with Clark County, Henderson, North Las Vegas, Boulder City, CCSD, and other regional partners.
- The program conducts an annual exercise and incorporates hands-on training and locally relevant hazards into the national CERT curriculum. The program has historically trained thousands of residents, while only a smaller number continue into the deployable volunteer program.
- The group discussed scalability, instructor costs, and increased use of regional partners and volunteers to support training.
- It was noted that the long-term goal is to develop a volunteer instructor base to help sustain the program and reduce reliance on paid instructors.

19. Project H: City of Las Vegas, Southern Nevada Counter IED, \$69,036.00

- Carl Rosetter, City of Las Vegas Fire & Rescue Bomb Squad, presented this project.

- The Bomb Squad provides regional support throughout Southern Nevada and has direct impact across participating jurisdictions. The equipment supports soft target protection and CBRN/radiological response capabilities.
- The Bomb Squad has continued to fund maintenance and licensing of existing X-ray equipment, including prior investments and annual state licensing costs. Digital X-ray technology allows the Bomb Squad to more quickly determine whether a suspicious item is a device or non-threat, helping reduce disruptions at large public events. The multi-directional X-ray system improves the ability to rapidly assess multiple items or locations, including large groups of mailboxes.
- The compact X-ray sources would replace aging equipment originally purchased as far back as 2006. The project was not funded in the prior grant cycle and is being resubmitted.

20. Project I: City of Las Vegas, Regional Emergency Response Through Unmanned Aerial, \$500,000.00

- Project is scalable. \$250,000.00 would fully fund the purchase of 5 US manufactured drones and two years of required software licensing. Ongoing maintenance and software costs will be absorbed by the city after grant funding ends.
- The drones would provide a dedicated DPS fleet, separate from the City's existing shared drone program. The system would support park and trail monitoring, search and rescue, incident assessment, large-event monitoring, hazardous conditions, and critical infrastructure protection.
- Drones would include high-definition and thermal imaging and secure video-sharing capabilities with regional partners. The program would serve as a force multiplier, improving situational awareness and officer safety across the City's parks, trails, facilities, and special events.
- DPS currently uses shared drones managed through the City's IT Department; DPS currently has five certified drone operators, with two additional operators completing certification.

21. Project J: City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Critical Incident and Acoustic Threat Detection Program, \$285,000.00

- Kenny Lee, Lieutenant, City of North Las Vegas, Police Department, presented this project.
- The system would provide approximately four square miles of coverage at high-priority locations and could be expanded to cover additional areas. The equipment would improve real-time situational awareness and response times and can integrate with existing LVMPD systems and drones.
- The project would support critical infrastructure protection, large public events, and terrorism prevention and response.
- City of North Las Vegas indicated it plans to sustain the system after the grant period and is exploring additional funding opportunities.
- Project was reduced to cover a two-year package.

22. Project K: City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Cybersecurity Risk Assessment Program, \$45,000.00

- Vaughn Williams, Information Security Manager, City of North Las Vegas, presented this project.
- The city wants an independent third party to test its systems rather than relying solely on internal staff. CISA has been contacted about conducting an assessment at no cost but has faced a lengthy waitlist. It was indicated that it would still pursue funding for testing while coordinating with CISA.
- The project is not part of the city's normal IT/cybersecurity budget because the city specifically wants independent third-party testing. Findings could potentially be shared with other Southern Nevada agencies to identify common cybersecurity vulnerabilities and strengthen regional preparedness.
- Concern raised, whether some or all of the assessment could be obtained through federal partners at no cost, allowing grant funds to focus on the actual penetration testing.

23. Project L: City of North Las Vegas, City of North Las Vegas Election Site Security, \$30,000.00

- Jackie Rogers, City Clerk, City of North Las Vegas presented this project.
- This project would crowd management tools, emergency safety equipment, and surveillance resources. The equipment

would help address security concerns, including unauthorized access, disruptions, and threats to election workers and the public.

- The city currently has limited dedicated election security resources and additional vote centers may be needed as the population grows, it has coordinated with the Clark County Elections Department and intends to continue strengthening that partnership.
- The group discussed the need to meet the 3% election security spending requirement and how the requested projects could be incorporated into the overall funding allocation.

24. Project M: City of North Las Vegas, Transportation Incident Response, \$185,200.00

- John Wright, Special Operations Chief, North Las Vegas Fire Department presented this project.
- This request is to establish a regional mobile hazardous materials tanker rollover and leak control training capability. The simulator would provide training for hazardous materials incidents that cannot currently be realistically replicated in the region, it would support multiple leak and tanker rollover scenarios and be available to hazardous materials technicians throughout Southern Nevada.
- The equipment would be maintained in North Las Vegas and available for regional and multi-agency training.
- It was discussed the lack of similar training capability in the valley and the potential need to travel outside the region for comparable training. Members discussed using the simulator for recurring technician training, regional exercises, and multi-agency drills.
- The project would support regional interoperability and responder preparedness.

25. Project N: City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Public Safety Drone First Response Program, \$869,200.24

- Lieutenant Gianni Calrichi, City of North Las Vegas Police Department presented this project.
- Project is scalable to \$458,345.00

- The program would provide real-time aerial intelligence to assist with critical incidents, improve officer safety, and support regional response efforts. The drone capability would support incidents including active threats, armed suspects, missing persons, search and rescue, major crashes, special events, and other emergencies.
- The group discussed the required IT infrastructure, connectivity, building requirements, and potential costs associated with installing drone docking stations. It was noted that infrastructure requirements may vary by location and that some installations could be placed on the ground rather than on rooftops.
- Regional interoperability and the ability to share information with partner agencies were also discussed.
- Clark County Fire offered to assist North Las Vegas with site reviews and coordination with IT and building departments if the project is funded.

26. Project O: City of North Las Vegas, Vegas TECC Training and Equipment Expansion, \$64,600.00

- The project would provide medical training and equipment to reduce the response time for life-saving interventions during critical incidents.
- Approximately 180 recruits and 270 officers have received TECC training, with 23 documented cases where officers used the training and equipment with positive patient outcomes.
- Funding would support training and medical kits for approximately 200 recruits, expansion of Level 2 TECC training, and advanced training simulators and bleeding-control equipment. The project would also expand access to trauma bags and individual bleeding-control kits.
- The group discussed the use of existing regional training equipment and the need for dedicated equipment at the North Las Vegas Police Academy to accommodate scheduling and training needs.
- The project would support regional interoperability through North Las Vegas Police Department's coordination with other

law enforcement agencies during joint operations and major incidents.

27. Project Z: Clark County Water Reclamation District, CCWRD Weather Resistant IP Horns, \$38,415.00

- Skye Dunfield, Emergency Management Analyst, Clark County Water Reclamation District presented this project.
- The project is to improve mass notification and warning capabilities at the Flamingo Wastewater Treatment Facility. The facility treats approximately 110 million gallons of wastewater per day and supports critical water resources throughout Southern Nevada.
- Existing warning systems do not reach employees working in underground tunnels where critical pumps and infrastructure are located. Existing radios are difficult to hear near the pumps, creating a vulnerability during emergencies.
- Funding would be used to rewire and install new speakers in one of three tunnels to provide timely emergency notifications.
- The existing equipment is more than 40 years old and is no longer operational. The project would improve the facility's ability to warn critical personnel and protect essential wastewater infrastructure.

28. Project S: Clark County Fire, OEM, EV Fire Tunnel Response, \$580,000.00

- Wayne Dailey, Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Marshall, Clark County Fire Department presented this project.
- This project would purchase a remotely operated tracked vehicle, trailer and one ton truck. The vehicle would allow responders to operate from a safe distance during hazardous incidents and includes: 2,500 GPM remote-controlled water monitor, Video and thermal imaging cameras, High-flow ventilation fan, Plow and winch for moving vehicles and debris.
- The vehicle could be used for tunnel incidents, EV/parking garage fires, large fires, and other hazardous situations.
- The vehicle would be staged at a County Fire hazmat station and made available as a regional mutual-aid resource.

- Members discussed the vehicle's potential regional use and the growing challenges associated with EV fires and parking structures.
- Operator training would be provided by the manufacturer; no special licensing requirements were identified.

29. Project P: Clark County Fire, OEM, CCFD Tethered Drone, \$142,500.00

- Kenny Holding, Senior Deputy Fire Chief, Clark County Fire Department presented this project.
- CCFD currently has one vehicle-mounted drone, creating coverage limitations across its large service area and rural stations.
- The portable systems would provide rapid aerial situational awareness for emergency incidents, search and rescue, hazardous materials events, disasters, and large public gatherings. The tethered drones can remain airborne for extended periods and be transported directly to locations that are difficult to access by vehicle.
- Members asked about the increase from last year's request. CCFD explained the request is intended to expand coverage and increase the number of available systems.
- CCFD previously received funding for an additional drone but has not yet received the equipment or funding.
- The project is scalable, and the request could be reduced from two drones to one if necessary.

30. Project Q: Clark County Fire, OEM, Elections Security, \$236,000.00.

- Brian O'Neal, Deputy Fire Chief, Emergency Manager, Clark County Fire Department presented this project for the Clark County Elections Department.
- The Elections Department will reduce its project amount to allow the City of North Las Vegas project to be funded while maintaining the required 3% election security spending. The adjustment recognizes that the Clark County Elections Department is responsible for conducting elections throughout the county, including all incorporated cities. The Elections Department will reduce its project by \$35,800. The change will be reflected on the funding spreadsheet.

- Funding supports security and continuity measures, including backup generator for the vote-counting area at Election Headquarters, additional camera trailers and traffic control devices, security assessments and site resiliency measures.

31. Project R: Clark County Fire, OEM, EOC Enhancements, \$45,000.00.

- Rob Fisher, Clark County OEM presented this project.
- The EOC/MAC serves as a regional coordination hub during major incidents, including mass casualty incidents, terrorism, cyber events, hazardous materials releases, and major infrastructure failures.
- The project will address aging audiovisual and technology systems that have exceeded their expected 3–5-year lifecycle and are experiencing reliability issues. Upgrades will improve system reliability, information sharing, situational awareness, communications, and resource coordination.
- The project builds on previous UASI investments and will help ensure existing systems remain operational and interoperable.
- The funding request of \$45,000.00, which is less than 1% of the 2026 UASI allocation.
- The project supports regional emergency response and multi-agency coordination by providing dependable technology during EOC activations.

32. Project T: Clark County Fire OEM, MACC Operational Coordination Software, \$65,000.00.

- Richard Simmons, Clark County OEM presented this project.
- This request is to fund an annual subscription for an enterprise incident management and critical event management platform. The platform would provide a unified regional tool for multi-agency coordination, real-time incident tracking, resource management, and information sharing.
- The project addresses identified gaps in operational coordination and communications across regional partners.
- The platform would support planned events, emergencies, terrorism-related incidents, and other catastrophic events, this would improve interoperability, situational awareness,

resource coordination, and communication with state and federal partners.

- The project supports FY2026 HSGP/UASI priorities for operational coordination and operational communications.

33. Project U: Clark County OEM, Public Safety Off Road Vehicle, \$120,000.00.

- Brian O'Neal, Deputy Fire Chief/Emergency Manager, presented this project on behalf of Clark County Office of Public Safety.
- The project would provide an off-road UTV to support patrol and response in unincorporated Clark County parks, trails, washes, and drainage areas.
- The vehicle would improve access to areas such as Wetlands Park, infrastructure locations, and power lines that are difficult to reach with standard vehicles. The UTV would be transported to the area where needed and deployed for patrol and response.
- The agency currently does not have a comparable off-road vehicle and generally accesses these areas by parking nearby and walking.
- Members asked about expected usage and existing off-road vehicles; no specific usage frequency was available.

34. Project V: Clark County Fire OEM, Southern Nevada Incident Management Team, \$49,000.00

- Kevin Lunkwitz, Assistant Fire Chief, Rural Services presented this project.
- The Incident Management Team (IMT) supports local, regional, and statewide all-hazard incidents, including major wildfires and large special events.
- The team has supported events including Formula 1, New Year's Eve, the Super Bowl, and multiple regional wildfires and emergencies.
- The IMT currently has 31 members and continues to recruit additional personnel and agencies.
- Funding requested:

- i. \$40,000 for part-time staffing to maintain team readiness and certifications.
 - ii. \$5,000 for equipment.
 - iii. \$5,000 for training, conferences, certifications, and memberships.
- The part-time position supports recruitment, training, certification maintenance, and overall program readiness.
 - The funding would help maintain and strengthen the IMT's ability to respond to major incidents across Southern Nevada, Nevada, and neighboring states.

35. Project W: Clark County OEM, Operational Coordination, \$431,987.00.

- Steven De Pue, Clark County Fire Department, Deputy Fire Chief, Special Events presented this project.
- The project would fund six all-terrain UTVs, organized into three deployable response units combining fire/EMS and law enforcement resources. The units would support major events, civil unrest, demonstrations, mass casualty incidents, hazardous materials incidents, and other all-hazard emergencies.
- Capabilities would include situational awareness, rescue operations, casualty extraction, medical response, and passive CBRN/HAZMAT detection.
- The standardized units would provide a consistent regional resource and reduce reliance on state and federal assets during large or extended events.
- The project was developed in response to operational lessons from the October 1 incident, including the need for unified command and coordinated tactical-level operations.
- The project is scalable.
- Maintenance for the three fire department units would be handled by Clark County Fire Department, with the remaining units maintained through an interlocal agreement with other participating agencies.

36. Project X: Clark County OEM, Submersible Pumps, \$120,000.00.

- Kenny Holding, Senior Deputy Fire Chief, Clark County Fire Department presented this project.

- The project would purchase 15 portable water supply caches distributed among Clark County Fire, Las Vegas Fire and Rescue, Henderson, and North Las Vegas Fire.
- Each cache would include portable generators, submersible pumps, adapters, extension cords, and fuel cans.
- The equipment would allow firefighters to draw water from swimming pools or other available sources to support fire suppression until normal water service is restored.
- The project addresses vulnerabilities to water infrastructure from cyberattacks, terrorism, natural disasters, and equipment failures.
- Funding request: approximately \$120,000. It was clarified that the previously listed \$200,000 amount was incorrect.
- The project would provide a long-term regional capability and improve operational continuity and community resilience.

37. Project Y: Clark County Fire OEM, Operational Coordination, \$33,000.00.

- Richard Simmons, Clark County OEM presented this project.
- FY2026 HSGP identifies Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA/TIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) as required planning activities.
- The urban area must complete the THIRA every three years and submit the SPR annually.
- Funding is requested for consultant services to support the next THIRA and SPR process.
- Prior-year services cost approximately \$25,000; the current request is \$27,500 due to inflation and increased contractor costs.
- The request also includes attendance for two representatives at the National Homeland Security Consortium Annual Conference to support training, information sharing, and regional preparedness.
- Conference costs include \$6,000 for travel and \$1,600 for registration, for a total of \$7,600.

38. Project AL: Southern Nevada Health District, SNCTC SNHD Public Health Preparedness Analyst, \$94,540.00.

- Misty Robinson, Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD), requested continued funding for SNHD's public health analyst position at the Fusion Center.
- The position integrates public health intelligence into the regional Homeland Security picture and supports information sharing among public health, healthcare, emergency management, and law enforcement.
- The analyst monitors emerging biological and public health threats, prepares intelligence reports, supports special event threat assessments, and provides subject matter expertise during exercises and incidents.
- The analyst was highlighted for assisting with the recent biolab incident and identifying potential public health hazards.
- Continued funding would maintain 75% of the position, with the remaining 25% supported through another grant.
- Without the funding, the region would lose the dedicated position and likely return to a limited public health liaison role.
- Members noted the analyst's significant contributions to regional information sharing, including weekly briefings and a monthly public health intelligence bulletin.
- The bulletin incorporates information from fusion centers in California, Utah, and Arizona and has been recognized as a national best practice.

The Chair stated that before ranking the projects, the group will review each project and confirm the final funding amount to be entered into the spreadsheet. Applicants were asked to present the full version of their projects without reducing the request during their presentations. Scalable projects will be reviewed for possible funding adjustments.

The group will also review the required spending categories, including Fusion Centers/Intelligence Centers, CERT, CBRNE/Hazardous Materials, MMRS, Alerts and Warnings, the Southern Nevada Incident Management Team, TIRA/SPR, Coordinated Tactical Response, and Multi-Agency Coordination Center support. The committee noted that required investments can still be reduced or adjusted during the funding and ranking process.

Projects with final amount requested, with reductions:

A. City of Henderson, PD Drones

- Original Request \$1,079,442.47
- Reduction of \$354,442.47
- Final request \$725,000.00

B. City of Las Vegas, SNCTC SNHD Public Health Preparedness Analyst

- Original Request \$85,500.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$85,500.00

C. City of Las Vegas, Medical Response System (MMRS)

- Original Request \$233,650.00
- Reduction of \$12,461.21
- Final request \$221,188.79

D. City of Las Vegas, JHAT Interoperability-Respiratory PPE,

- Original Request \$144,792.00
- Reduction of \$17,619.51
- Final request \$127,172.49

E. City of Las Vegas, SNFO Radiation Monitoring

- Original request \$235,038.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$235,038.00

F. City of Las Vegas, Southern Nevada CERT Program

- Original request \$129,280.20
- No reduction
- Final request \$129,280.20

G. City of Las Vegas, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Original Request \$307,149.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$307,149.00

H. City of Las Vegas, Southern Nevada Counter IED

- Original request \$69,036.00
- Reduction of \$5,960.00
- Final request \$63,076.00

I. City of Las Vegas, Regional Emergency Response Through Unarmed Aerial

- Original request \$500,000.00
- Reduction of \$350,000.00
- Final request \$150,000.00

J. City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Critical Incident and Acoustic Threat Detection Program

- Original request \$850,000.00
- Reduction of \$280,000.00
- Final request \$570,000.00

K. City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Cybersecurity Risk Assessment Program

- Original request 45,000.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$45,000.00

L. City of North Las Vegas, City of North Las Vegas Election Site Security

- Original request \$30,00.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$30,000.00

M. City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Hazmat Transportation Incident Response

- Original request \$185,200.00
- No reduction
- Final request \$185,200.00

N. City of North Las Vegas, Vegas Public Safety Drone First Response Program

- Original request \$869,200.24
- Reduction of \$410,855.00
- Final request \$458,345.24

O. City of North Las Vegas, Vegas TECC Training and Equipment Expansion

- Original request \$64,600.00
- Reduction of \$10,000.00
- Final request \$54,600.00

P. Clark County Fire OEM, CCFD Tethered Drone

- Original request \$142,500.00
- Reduction of \$71,250.00
- Final request \$71,250.00

Q. Clark County Fire OEM, Elections Security

- Original request \$236,000.00
- Reduction of \$35,800.00
- Final request \$200,200.00

R. Clark County Fire OEM, EOC Enhancements

- Original request \$45,000.00
- Reduction of \$4,500.00
- Final request \$40,500.00

S. Clark County Fire OEM, Fire Tunnel Response

- Original request \$580,000.00
- Reduction of \$130,000.00
- Final request \$450,000.00
- T. Clark County Fire OEM, MACC Operational Coordination Software**
 - Original request \$65,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$65,000.00
- U. Clark County Fire OEM, Public Safety off Road Vehicle**
 - Original request \$44,860.19
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$44,860.19
- V. Clark County Fire OEM, Southern Nevada Incident Management Team**
 - Original request \$49,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$49,000.00
- W. Clark County Fire OEM, Special Events/Civil Task Force**
 - Original request \$431,987.00
 - Reduction of \$133,995.67
 - Final request \$297,991.33
- X. Clark County Fire OEM, Submersible Pumps**
 - Original request \$120,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$120,000.00
- Y. Clark County Fire OEM, THIRA**
 - Original request \$33,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$33,000.00
- Z. Clark County Water Reclamation District, CCWRD Weather Resistant IP Horn**
 - Original request \$38,415.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$38,415.00
- AA. LVMPD, ARMOR CBRNE/UGV Response Vehicle**
 - Original request \$287,000.00
 - Reduction of \$85,750.00
 - Final request \$201,250.00
- AB. LVMPD, ARMOR Hazardous Material Technology**
 - Original request \$82,000.00
 - No reduction

- Final request \$82,000.00
- AC. LVMPD, ARMOR Warranties**
 - Original request \$48,700.00
 - Reduction of \$13,250.00
 - Final request \$35,450.00
- AD. LVMPD, HSTF Threat Identification and Coordination**
 - Original request \$800,000.00
 - Reduction of \$32,875.00
 - Final request \$767,125.00
- AE. LVMPD, LVMPD Coordinated Tactical Emergency Response**
 - Original request \$100,000.00
 - Reduction of \$40,000.00
 - Final request \$60,000.00
- AF. LVMPD, LVMPD Incident Communications**
 - Original request \$300,000.00
 - Reduction of \$150,000.00
 - Final request \$150,000.00
- AG. LVMPD, LVMPD SWAT Overwatch Program**
 - Original request \$40,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$40,000.00
- AH. LVMPD, MACTAC Shields**
 - Original request \$495,000.00
 - Reduction of \$95,000.00
 - Final request \$400,000.00
- AI. LVMPD, SNCTC Enhance**
 - Original request \$775,353.00
 - Reduction of \$125,000.00
 - Final request \$650,353.00
- AJ. LVMPD, SNCTC Sustain**
 - Original request \$1,482,753.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$1,482,753.00
- AK. LVMPD, SWAT Communications**
 - Original request \$100,000.00
 - No reduction
 - Final request \$100,000.00
- AL. LVMPD, SNCTC SNHD Public Health Preparedness Analyst**

- Original request \$94,540.00
- Reduction of \$9,450.00
- Final request \$85,090.00

The group reviewed the projects that met the required state priority areas and identified the projects that could be funded off the top. Members reviewed the items displayed on the screen and noted that the projects highlighted in green had met the applicable requirements. The Chair requested a motion to approve all the projects displayed as funded off the top before moving forward with the remaining project ranking process.

Motion to approve projects **B, C, L, Q, V, Y, AD and AE**, by Carolyn Levering, seconded by Diana Clarkson, no discussion. **Motion carried.**

The Chair asked each jurisdiction to identify and state its project priorities. This provided the voting members with an opportunity to hear which projects were considered most important by each jurisdiction before proceeding with the ranking process. The discussion was intended to help members understand the needs and priorities of the participating jurisdictions as they considered the remaining projects.

City of Henderson: Diana Clarkson explained that the project submitted represents a unified citywide priority developed through its Emergency Management Council subcommittee. The city had additional projects that departments wanted to submit but chose to consolidate efforts into one project due to the overall funding request. The project is a partnership between Police, Fire, Utility Services, and Emergency Management and will support fire department facilities, utility services, and other critical infrastructure. City management also provided support for the project.

City of Las Vegas: Carolyn Levering stated that the only new projects submitted were Projects D and I. Both projects were identified as important priorities but stated a preference for Project D over Project I.

City of North Las Vegas: Ben Erickson identified its cybersecurity project as a priority. The hazmat trailer and training project was identified as the jurisdiction's second priority. The resource would support hazmat and CBRNE incidents and could be utilized regionally by the six major

metropolitan jurisdictions. The drone program was identified as the jurisdiction's top priority. The request was reduced from four drones to two drones, resulting in a reduction of more than \$10,855. The jurisdiction emphasized the importance of maintaining the drone capability for regional response and public safety.

LVMPD: Ana Chavez requested two additional reductions to its projects. Project AF was reduced by \$150,000, resulting in a revised request of \$150,000. Project AI was reduced by \$125,000, resulting in a revised total request of \$650,353.

LVMPD then provided its priority order for the remaining projects to assist voting members with the ranking process. The priorities identified were AJ, AG, AC, AF, AI, AH, AK, AB, and D.

Clark County Fire Department: Kenny Holding noted that the Election Security project is a critical and required project that has already been approved. The County also noted the ongoing need for the Office of Public Safety request, which has been brought forward for several years.

After discussion and consideration of the projects presented, Clark County identified Project S, the tunnel response vehicle, as its top priority. The project request was reduced by an additional \$30,000, bringing the total request to \$450,000. The County noted that this would provide a resource currently not available in the Valley and could support multiple fire departments, including response to the Boring Company tunnels.

Project W was identified as the County's second priority, with no additional reduction requested.

VII. *The working group members will evaluate and rank each FFY26 UASI project proposal to collectively create a prioritized list of projects to be funded. Individual ranking will be tallied, and results will be displayed and announced for the record.

The Chair explained that the group would begin the formal project ranking process. Voting members were asked to state their names for the record and rank each project, beginning with Project A and continuing through the remaining projects. Members were instructed to assign rankings starting with 2 as the lowest number, with each project receiving a ranking.

Members were asked to speak loudly and clearly so their rankings could be accurately recorded. The group would proceed from left to right through the list, with any member who was not ready being revisited after the other rankings were completed. At the conclusion of the process, David would read the rankings back to the committee for confirmation and accuracy.

✓ Carolyn Levering, City of Las Vegas

- A 31
- D 7
- E 6
- F 2
- G 3
- H 4
- I 5
- J 27
- K 19
- M 15
- N 22
- O 12
- P 18
- R 13
- S 26
- T 14
- U 17
- W 28
- X 25
- Z 11
- AA 29
- AB 20
- AC 9
- AF 21
- AG 16
- AH 23
- AI 30
- AG 8
- AK 24
- AL 10

✓ Ben Erickson, City of North Las Vegas

- A 10
- D 22
- E 14
- F 23
- G 15
- H 11
- I 7
- J 6
- K 5
- M 3
- N 2
- O 4
- P 17
- R 18
- S 8
- T 9
- U 31
- W 16
- X 21
- Z 25
- AA 24
- AB 26
- AC 19
- AF 30
- AG 13
- AH 29
- AI 28
- AJ 12
- AK 27
- AL 20

Chief Erickson had two projects ranked number 4; it was corrected.

✓ Ana Chavez, LVMPD

- A 18
- D 28
- E 26
- F 23

- G 17
- H 15
- I 29
- J 30
- K 25
- M 24
- N 31
- O 19
- P 27
- R 14
- S 11
- T 12
- U 21
- W 20
- X 22
- Z 16
- AA 10
- AB 9
- AC 4
- AF 5
- AG 3
- AH 7
- AI 6
- AJ 2
- AK 8
- AL 13

✓ Diana Clarkson, City of Henderson

- A 2
- D 22
- E 14
- F 27
- G 5
- H 15
- I 23
- J 30
- K 31
- M 17

- N 6
- O 25
- P 26
- R 4
- S 11
- T 9
- U 29
- W 24
- X 28
- Z 16
- AA 21
- AB 20
- AC 8
- AF 12
- AG 7
- AH 18
- AI 13
- AJ 3
- AK 19
- AL 10

✓ Josh Barrone, Boulder City. Chief Rayos read the ranking done by Mr. Barrone since he had to leave the meeting.

- A 8
- D 12
- E 5
- F 30
- G 23
- H 9
- I 15
- J 13
- K 31
- M 7
- N 24
- O 6
- P 16
- R 3
- S 10
- T 4

- U 20
- W 17
- X 18
- Z 19
- AA 26
- AB 29
- AC 21
- AF 11
- AG 22
- AH 27
- AI 25
- AJ 2
- AK 28
- AL 14

- ✓ Jayson Andrus, City of Mesquite. Chief Rayos read Chief Andrus ranking since he had to leave the meeting early.

- A 5
- D 7
- E 10
- F 11
- G 12
- H 20
- I 19
- J 25
- K 28
- M 9
- N 4
- O 16
- P 24
- R 2
- S 18
- T 3
- U 26
- W 17
- X 23
- Z 13
- AA 29

- AB 31
- AC 15
- AF 22
- AG 27
- AH 30
- AI 8
- AJ 6
- AK 21
- AL 14

Chief Andrus had two projects ranked 20, since he wasn't in the meeting, Chief Rayos called him to verify and the ranking was corrected.

✓ Misty Robinson, City Of Las Vegas

- A 8
- D 18
- E 15
- F 5
- G 3
- H 19
- I 29
- J 21
- K 31
- M 20
- N 12
- O 22
- P 27
- R 9
- S 14
- T 10
- U 26
- W 17
- X 23
- Z 28
- AA 30
- AB 24
- AC 6
- AF 7

- AG 13
- AH 16
- AI 11
- AG 4
- AK 25
- AL 2

✓ Kenny Holding, Clark County.

- A 8
- D 25
- E 6
- F 26
- G 9
- H 7
- I 10
- J 27
- K 20
- M 17
- N 2
- O 12
- P 30
- R 14
- S 3
- T 15
- U 13
- W 5
- X 29
- Z 18
- AA 11
- AB 16
- AC 24
- AF 19
- AG 21
- AH 28
- AI 22
- AJ 4
- AK 23
- AL 31

✓ Toni Barnes, Clark County School District.

- A 2
- D 31
- E 18
- F 16
- G 7
- H 10
- I 13
- J 11
- K 9
- M 17
- N 15
- O 12
- P 5
- R 4
- S 6
- T 3
- U 22
- W 21
- X 14
- Z 19
- AA 30
- AB 25
- AC 29
- AF 20
- AG 23
- AH 24
- AI 28
- AJ 8
- AK 27
- AL 26

The group reviewed the funding totals for all approved projects, beginning with the projects at the top of the list through Project AF. The total amount identified for the approved projects was reviewed against the available funding of \$5,844,202.05.

Projects A.J. through D totaled \$5,770,413.26, leaving a difference of \$73,788.79 before the next project could be fully funded. The committee discussed the ranking of the remaining projects and determined that Project P should be moved ahead of Project J in the ranking. With Project P included, the total increased to \$5,841,663.26. The committee then reviewed the remaining balance and determined that \$2,538.79 was available to be applied to another project. The committee agreed to add \$2,538.79 to Project C, the MMRS project.

The final funding totals were reviewed, including all projects highlighted in green. The group confirmed that the required total of \$7,287,677.05 was met. The committee agreed with the final adjustments and requested copies of the final project funding list for review and distribution.

Carolyn Levering motion to approve the following projects: **B, C, L, Q, V, Y, AD, AE, AJ, T, R, A, G, S, H, E, N, O, M, AC, AL, AG, AF, I, F, W, Z, AI, D & P with a total of \$7,287,677.05.** Misty Robinson, second, no further discussion. **Motion carried.**

The Chair stated that digital copy of the ranking would be distributed to the voting members. Members were advised that the Finance Committee meeting will be held the following day at 9:00 a.m. Voting members were encouraged to attend. An overview of the projects and rankings will be provided at the meeting, and members may be asked to respond to any specific questions regarding the projects. The Chair noted that an effort would be made to address questions on behalf of members who are unable to attend.

VIII. Public Comments

No comments.

IX. Adjournment

Diana Clarkson motion to adjourn the meeting. **Misty Robinson** seconded. No further discussion. **Meeting adjourned.**