



## Meeting Notice and Agenda of the 1 October Memorial Committee

Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 9:00 am

Clark County Government Center, Commission Chambers,  
500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155

### MINUTES

This meeting has been properly noticed and posted in the following locations:

Clark County Government Center 500 S. Grand Central Pkwy. Las Vegas, NV	Desert Breeze Community Center 8275 Spring Mt Rd. Las Vegas, NV	Parks & Recreation Department Offices 2601 E. Sunset Rd. Las Vegas, NV	Winchester Cultural Center 3130 S. McLeod Dr. Las Vegas, NV
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**Members:** Chairperson Tennille Pereira, Vice-Chairperson Karessa Royce, Harold Bradford, Dr. Robert Fielden, Rebecca Holden, Mynda Smith, Andrew Walsh

**Staff:** Carolyn Campbell, Sharon Cornell, Daniel Hernandez, Punam Mathur, Mindy Meyers, Mickey Sprott, Tammy To, Lonny Zimmerman

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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call  
**Meeting opened @ 9:02 AM by Mickey Sprott.**  
**Commissioner Jim Gibson welcomed the committee.**
2. Public Comments  
**Public comment about agenda items # 7, 8, 9, & 10 made by Glenn Hunsucker.**
3. Agenda - *Approval of Agenda (for possible action)*  
**Mickey Sprott motioned to remove agenda item # 5.**  
  
**Moved by: Dr. Robert Fielden**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Mynda Smith**  
**Action: passed unanimously**
4. Minutes - *Review and approval of the June 24, 2020 Workshop, July 27, 2020 Workshop, August 26, 2020 Workshop and the September 23, 2020 Workshop.* These workshops were posted in accordance of NRS 241.020 and no actions were taken. (*action item*)  
**Moved by: Dr. Robert Fielden**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Tennille Pereira**  
**Action: passed unanimously**
5. Commissioner Gibson to welcome the public and share remarks. (*not an action item*)  
**Agenda item removed.**
6. Committee members introductions. (*not an action item*)  
**Committee members were introduced to the public by Punam Mathur. They were asked to describe in one word that best describes their feelings about serving on the committee, a personal promise to the community, and to share a fun fact about themselves.**

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7. Select a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson (*action item*).  
**Tennille Pereira nominated as Chair by Karessa Royce**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Dr. Robert Fielden**  
**Action: passed unanimously**  
  
**Karessa Royce nominated as Vice-Chair by Tennille Pereira**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Mynda Smith**  
**Action: passed unanimously**  
  
**Chairperson: Tennille Pereira**  
**Vice-Chairperson: Karessa Royce**
8. Establish By-laws for the 1 October Memorial Committee. (*action item*)  
**Moved by: Dr. Robert Fielden**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Andrew Walsh**  
**Action: passed unanimously**
9. Introduction and discussion of mission. (*action item*)
  - **The 1 October Memorial Advisory Committee is a seven-member group of citizens appointed to develop ideas and recommendations for a permanent 1 October Memorial that will remember those who perished in the events of 1 October 2017, honor the survivors, and the many heroes who inspired the nation with their bravery, and to celebrate the resiliency and compassion of our community.****Moved by: Mynda Smith**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Harold Bradford**  
**Action: passed unanimously**
10. Introduction and discussion of goals. (*action item*)
  - **To lead a process in which input and engagement from victims' families, survivors, first responders, and community members will inform creation of a permanent 1 October Memorial that will serve as a place to reflect on those lost and celebrate the unmatched strength of our community.**
  - **Recommend to the Board of County Commissioners plans for a site, design, programming and ongoing maintenance needs for a permanent memorial, as well as funding solutions.****Moved by: Dr. Robert Feilden**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Rebecca Holden**  
**Action: passed unanimously**
11. Report on possible timeline. (*not an action item*)  
**Timeline explained by Punam Mathur.**  
**Phase 1- workshops of committee in preparation for public meetings.**  
**Phase 2- identifying locations and discussions about project scope.**  
**Phase 3- take community inputs and ideas to create permanent memorial.**
12. Discussion lead by Punam Mathur regarding expectations and commitments of the committee. (*action item*)

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- We respect and honor each other, the purity of each member's intentions, their unique gifts, expertise and perspective.
- We will be on time, prepared, present and participate actively.
- We will maintain an open mind and an open heart; and be unwaveringly compassionate.
- We will achieve our mission and goals.

Moved by: Harold Bradford

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Mynda Smith

Action: passed unanimously

13. Discussion regarding topics for future agenda items by the committee members. Comments made during this portion of the agenda by individual members shall refer solely to proposals for future agenda items and any discussion shall be limited to whether such proposed items shall be placed on a future agenda. No discussion regarding the substance of any such proposed topic shall occur and no action shall be taken. (*possible action item*)

**Future agenda topics proposed:**

- Tennille Pereira- bringing in Vegas Strong Resiliency Center, to engage experts of other memorials.
- Harold Bradford- finance and funding.
- Dr. Robert Fielden- active involvement and assistance from the audience, a presentation by the Clark County Museum.
- Karessa Royce- a presentation by the Resiliency Center.

14. Comments by the General Public

**Public comment about concept of memorial made by Gail Shomish.**

The following people made public comments expressing the desire to refer to victims of the 1 October event as "58": Debbie Davis, Chris Davis, Albert Rivera, SueAnn Cornwell.

Comments were not related to agenda items.

**Public Comments received by [1OctoberMemorial@ClarkCountyNV.Gov](mailto:1OctoberMemorial@ClarkCountyNV.Gov) before 10/26/2020:**

**From: Robert Patterson**

I think this committee should have more of the families involved in this especially the children. I have three who are 21, 19 and 10 now. Their mother Lisa Patterson my wife of 21 years died on the grounds with a bullet lodged in her heart. The pain they feel after 3 years from this and her being at a concert...I can't put in words. There was no goodbye I wish they and I had 1 min to say goodbye to her. We also would like the number to stay at 58....I'm sure it would help them and many other of the children to be involved in this.

*Email end.*

**From: Sue Nelson**

I am a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. We lost 58 people that awful night. 58 families that never got to say goodbye. We have had others pass since, but should NOT be included in the original number 58... the survivors we have lost were survivors with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... our 58 never got the chance ....

**#Honor58**

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*Email end.*

**From: Jackie Nielson**

My best friend is a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. Our country lost 58 people that awful night. 58 families that never got to say goodbye. Others have passed since, but should NOT be included in the original number 58... many survivors survived with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... these 58 souls never got the chance ....

**#Honor58**

*Email end.*

**From: Charlene Lopez**

I am a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. We lost 58 people that awful night. 58 families that never got to say goodbye. We have had others pass since, but should NOT be included in the original number 58... the survivors we have lost were survivors with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... our 58 never got the chance ....

**#Honor 58**

*Email end.*

**From: Jill Winter**

Thank you for taking the time to read my email. I am a survivor of Route 91 and have been very active in our family. I understand why the "official" report needs to be changed but it will always be 58 in my mind and heart. Please know there is no disrespect meant for those who have passed since 10/1 but there's unfortunately been more than 2. I want to be inclusive and include everyone....not just the 2 who passed from bullet wounds. It stands to reason that Route contributed to the passing of at least some of the others and we may not even be aware of some who have passed. 58 has been an incredibly symbolic number over the last 3 years. I don't want to see that change!! I will always remember those who we lost subsequently but there were 58 who never had the chance to sign their name as Router or survivor. I feel comfortable using 58+ but am not comfortable adding a number behind the "+" as any who follow, no matter the cause, deserve recognition, too!!

*Email end.*

**From: Michele Woods**

I attended the Route 91 Harvest Festival in 2017 and was stuck in the front right side of the stage when the shooting started. My fiancé and I had to lay down on the grass for all eight rounds and had to dive and hide under the stage until 10:36pm. This was the scariest night of my life and I will never be able to unsee the things I witnessed that night. For three years I've seen eight Therapist and two Psychiatrists and let me tell you there is no amount of therapy that can help. I still have severe PTSD and a lot of emotional problems that are caused from October 1, 2017. The only thing that has helped me is talking with other Survivors and the families of the "58" families that lost their life THAT NIGHT! I am very saddened that after 3 years someone has the nerve to announce the official number is going to be changed to 60 people during a sunrise service while we are HONORING are 58 Angels. So many others have taken their lives or passed away that we're not counted or included and had time to say goodbye to their families. Please leave this alone and stop changing the narrative to whatever you want! It will ALWAYS be "58"

**My Route 91 Family and I will not back down and it will FOREVER be "58"**

*Email end.*

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**From: Johanna Ernst**

I am a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. We lost 58 people that horrible night. 58 families that never got to say goodbye. We have had others pass since, but they should NOT be included in the original number 58... the survivors we have lost after that night were survivors with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... our 58 never got the chance .... #Honor58.

*Email end.*

**From: Amy Marsh**

Thank you for taking the time to read my email. I am a survivor of Route 91 and have been very active in the family that was formed from this horrible tragedy. I understand why the "official" report needs to be changed but it will always be 58 in my mind and heart. Please know there is no disrespect meant for those who have passed since 10/1/2017 but there's unfortunately been more than 2. I want to be inclusive and include everyone....not just the 2 who passed from bullet wounds. It stands to reason that Route contributed to the passing of at least some of the others and we may not even be aware of some who have passed. 58 has been an incredibly symbolic number over the last 3 years. I will always remember those who we lost subsequently but there were 58 people that did not have the extra days/years with family and friends. The 58 who died that night and their families did not get the goodbyes and never had the chance to sign their name as Router or survivor. I feel comfortable using 58+ but am not comfortable adding a number behind the "+" as any who follow, no matter the cause, deserve recognition, too!!

*Email end.*

**From: Dena Hernandez**

I am a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. We lost 58 people that horrible night. 58 families never got to say goodbye. That number, number 58 carries such a meaning to us survivors and for the families of our 58. This is a feel no one can express. The 58 is our passage to continue on for them and their families. 58 is solidarity. Sadly, we have had others pass since, but we need to recognize them in another way at the healing garden. They are as important, but with all do respect should NOT be included in the original number 58... the survivors we have lost were survivors with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... our 58 never got the chance ....  
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*Email end.*

**From: Beverly King**

I am a survivor of the October 1, 2017 shooting. We lost 58 people that awful night. 58 families that never got to say goodbye. We have had others pass since, but should NOT be included in the original number 58... the survivors we have lost were survivors with horrific injuries, but still a survivor.... our 58 never got the chance ....  
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*Email end.*

**From: Martin Gallagher**

My wife, Carolann, and I are Route 91 survivors. I watched the Sunrise Remembrance Ceremony and heard Sheriff Lombardo say that from today on the official references will be to 60 and no longer to 58.

Everyone associated with Route 91 has been so connected to the number 58 since that night, with everything from tattoos using the number 58 to the names of fundraising groups and social media groups to even pausing in remembrance whenever we come across the number 58. Survivors, their

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families and friends, as well as victims' families and friends have all placed special emphasis on the number 58 since that night, with many interpreting seeing it in their daily lives as signs from Above.

I'd like to suggest using "58+" as the official reference instead of 60. That would allow people to simply add a "+" to tattoos, names, organizations, etc. and to continue the healing process associated with being mindful of the number 58.

More than 2 survivors have died since the initial 58 victims died, some due to suicide and accidents. Many continue to suffer from PTSD, depression, and physical injuries so it's likely that the number will continue to go up as time passes. It doesn't make sense to keep changing the number since nobody knows what the exact number even is at this point.

*Email end.*

### From: Stacy & Greg Meadows

The night of October 1, 2017 our lives, along with thousands of others changed forever. Our precious daughter, Kelsey Meadows (28), is one of the 58 victims killed during the mass shooting at Rt. 91 festival. 58 families got that devastating phone call. 58 families never got to hug their loved one. 58 families never got to say "I love you" one last time. 58 families had to meet with officials to identify their loved one. 58 families had to plan funerals. It was, and still is a devastating and life altering event.

We know there were hundreds injured and thousands struggling to learn how to live again. Our hearts go out to the families of those that have passed since that horrific night.

Over the last 3 years the number 58 has turned into a symbol. A symbol that we are not alone on our journey of grief. A symbol of hope for some, a symbol that our angel is sending us a sign. We look for the number 58 on receipts, on the clock, on the temperature gauge and anywhere else we can find the number 58. It is a symbol that unites the 58 families and the rest of the Rt. 91 family.

It is our sincere hope that the number "58" stays intact as a symbol of all that was lost on October 1, 2017.

*Email end.*

15. Future meeting schedule: 4th Wednesday of each month beginning at 9:00 a.m. (*for possible action*)
  - a) Next meeting: November 25, 2020
  - b) Following meeting: December 23, 2020

**Moved by: Dr. Robert Fielden**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Mynda Smith**

**Action: passed unanimously**

16. Adjournment – (*action item*)

**Moved by: Mynda Smith**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Harold Bradford**

**Action: passed unanimously**

**Meeting adjourned @ 10:36 AM by committee.**