



**1 OCTOBER MEMORIAL COMMITTEE**  
**Clark County Government Center, BCC Chambers**  
**500 S. Grand Central Parkway**  
**Las Vegas, NV 89155**  
January 25, 2023  
9:00 AM

**MINUTES**

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Board/Council Members: Tennille Pereira, Chairperson  
Karessa Royce, Vice Chairperson- **via WebEx**  
Harold Bradford  
Robert Fielden  
Rebecca Holden  
Kelly McMahill  
Mynda Smith- **Absent**

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, and Moment of Silence.  
**Meeting called to order at 9:13 AM by Chairperson Tennille Pereira.**

2. Public Comment.  
**Acknowledgements from Commissioner Justin Jones to the Committee.**

**Chairperson Tennille Pereira read public remarks from Christiann Meyer and Robyn Wolfe, family members of two of the 58, Austin Meyer and Bill Wolfe (public comments attached after meeting minutes).**

**Public comment by public audience member and survivor Sue Ann Cornwell, reading public comments emails from survivors, Sue Nelson and Dawn Wright, and honoring the 58 victims.**

3. Approval of the Agenda for January 25, 2023 (*for possible action*).  
**MOTION by Robert Fielden**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> MOTION by Kelly McMahill**  
**Action PASSED / Unanimous (6-0)**
4. Approval of Minutes for December 14, 2022 (*for possible action*).  
**MOTION by Kelly McMahill**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> MOTION by Harold Bradford**

Action **PASSED** / Unanimous (6-0)

5. Presentations by the five semi-finalist design teams (*not an action item*).  
**The top five selected design teams, based on evaluator scores, presented their introductions to the Committee and the public. All teams' contact information and websites are available for public viewing on the 1 October Memorial Committee webpage.**

[https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/government/departments/parks\\_recreation/cultural\\_division/1\\_october\\_memorial/memorial\\_selection\\_process.php](https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/government/departments/parks_recreation/cultural_division/1_october_memorial/memorial_selection_process.php)

**Top five design teams in alphabetical order:**

- **Aaron Neubert Architects + studioSTIGSGAARD**
- **JCJ Architecture**
- **OLIN + Andy Scott**
- **Paul Murdoch Architects**
- **SWA**

6. Donation report by staff (*not an action item*).  
**Current donation: \$57,358.53**
7. Report by staff regarding monthly summary of activities, including survey topics, marketing, research, and financial (*not an action item*).  
**Demonstration on how to access contact information and website of the design teams by Mickey Sprott.**
8. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by staff or by the Committee at future meetings; receive updates on activities and direct staff accordingly (*not an action item*).  
**None.**
9. Comments by the General Public.  
**Public comment by public audience member and survivor, Terri Davis, about the honoring the 58 victims.**  
  
**Public comment by public audience member and survivor SueAnne Cornwell, reading email of survivor, Lynn Merker.**
10. Next Meeting Date: **Wednesday, February 15, 2023.**
11. Adjournment.  
**Meeting adjourned at 11:55 AM.**

Public Comments received by [1OctoberMemorial@ClarkCountyNV.Gov](mailto:1OctoberMemorial@ClarkCountyNV.Gov) before 01/25/2023:

**From Christiann Meyer:**

**Dear Committee Members of the October 1st Memorial,**

**My name is Christiann Meyer. I am the Mother of Austin Meyer who lost his life attending the Route 91 Harvest Festival on October 1, 2017. Our family is grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with you in creating the Memorial for 58. It is very important to us that Austin's life be celebrated and honored. It is also important to us that the other 57 families have their loved one celebrated and honored as well. We are aware that Kim Gervais and Samantha Arjune passed away over 2 years after the shooting. Our family was of course saddened when learning this news. However that being said, it causes a great deal of pain to our family when articles are written indicating that 60 died on October 1. The number was 58 for over 2 years and should never be referenced as 60. We would like to have a bit of peace of mind regarding this.**

**Our family would also like the committee to focus on the many acts of kindness. For example from our personal experience. A concert attendee (teacher from Minnesota) who helped Austin make a phone call after his phone was lost in the chaos. She stayed with him and rendered medical aid until paramedics and firefighters arrived.**

**Followed by the act of kindness from Greg Zanis. His quest to personalize each cross he made with a name and then drove a great distance to Las Vegas for the families. Complete strangers and relatives left messages, tokens of their love that were later archived and stored at the Clark County Museum. For 5 years, those staff members and volunteers (should be recognized for the phenomenal job) documented everything that was left at those crosses. So when it came time, I was personally so in awe of the new addition to the museum. I think it's fair to say, none of the families were prepared and became emotionally overwhelmed by all the kindness that was left at their loved ones cross. All because of Greg's huge heart. The emotions of seeing and touching Austin's cross. Then seated comfortably at a huge table. 4 boxes are walked over and placed on the table. Staff member hands me a box of tissues. A bit hesitant, I physically begin going through all that had been wrapped, taped, or placed on Austin's cross. Everything carefully placed in plastic bags and documented with codes and numbers. I was finally down to the last bag in box #4. My eyes soggy for sure but my heart was full. Simply, it was the most instrumental in leading me through the mental process of healing. The outpouring of love from visitors near and far touched me so.**

**The Resiliency Center and staff also need recognition for countless hours of support and tools throughout the past 5 years. Always there with hugs, therapy dogs, and as late, the lantern project and Comfort Cub.**

**We will never forget the Artist's Portrait Project (Sarah Schultz) did a sketch from a picture she found online. Austin celebrating his Birthday holding a plate of chocolate covered strawberries the morning of Oct. 1. That was the same morning he told me he was having the time of his life in Vegas. How profound his statement would be.**

**Another act of kindness, local Graffiti Artist, Kito Lucero expressed love by spray painting hearts for 17 hours straight with the names of all 58 along a wall. I could go on and on. The acts of kindness were contagious!**

**Our family is hoping your committee doesn't lose focus on what matters most. The Grande Finale so to speak. A Memorial celebrating our loved ones lives and a Tribute to the loving kindness of people that has helped strengthen Las Vegas. We saw first hand how the city of Las Vegas pulled together in 5 days and took a vacant dirt lot and created a beautiful Healing Garden for the community. A sanctuary to reflect in memory and find peace, hope and love.**

*(Email End.)*

**From Robyn Wolfe:**

**October 1, 2017. 58 lives were lost. 58 smiles that will never be seen again. 58 hugs that will never be felt again. So many opportunities to make this world a better place...lost! Children and grandchildren never born. So many spouses sleeping alone, missing loved ones. Moms and Dads that won't be there to share their wisdom and love. Graduations, driving lessons, first prom, college choices, so much was lost on that horrible day. Communities have lost brilliant minds, little league coaches, mentors. Mothers and fathers still mourning the loss of sons and daughters gone way too soon.**

**Bill Wolfe was one of the 58. Bill was an amazing father who guided his two sons through life's journey. He was always there to offer homework help, coaching his sons in both wrestling and baseball. Days spent tinkering in the garage and long talks on car rides for his youngest son will never be replaced. Bill never got to see his sons graduate high school or college or teach them how to drive. He never got to see his oldest son fulfill his dream of flying a plane. Bill touched so many young lives with his coaching. How do you explain to a 7-year-old "Coach is gone, and won't be coming back". Five years later and flowers continue to appear on Bill's grave anonymously "Miss you Coach, wish you were here". Bill was a proud Penn State grad with degrees in civil engineering and physics. A brilliant mind gone. A mind that could have and would have done so much. Bill's wife Robyn, left to raise two teenage boys as best she could. No late night talks, no date nights no one to share the ups and downs of parenthood and marriage. Bill and Robyn were celebrating their twenty year wedding anniversary when he was cut down, high school sweethearts with so many more years ahead of them that will never happen. Bill was an uncle who enjoyed running and passed that love on to one of his nieces. Bill and Sydney ran together in local races to raise money for folks with food insecurities. Sydney was left to run her senior year of cross country with tears streaming down her face. Bill was a brother-in-law to Robyn's brother, a coaching companion, mentor and someone to share concerns and problems with. Bill always had an answer. Bill was a son, brother and brother-in-law whose presence will never be replaced. So much lost potential.**

**Bill is just one of 58 stories that will never be told. These men, women, sons, daughters, mother, fathers, brothers, sisters, family members and friends must never be forgotten. We absolutely must continue to honor their memories in any and every way possible. October 1, 2017 can never become "just another day". A day of remembering when "some guy shot some people at a concert". They were all unique, vital, contributing individual members of our lives whose names cannot and should not be lost to history. October 1, 2017, was five years ago and yet seems like yesterday to those missing their loved ones. It was a day the country was shocked, families were broken and a day the angels cried. Let's not forget these individuals and their names. Many survivors will spend the rest of their lives telling the story of the day they almost died. The 58 are not here to tell their stories. When tragedies like this happen, the world remembers the names of the perpetrators, we must remember the names of those who were lost.**

*(Email End.)*