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1 October Memorial Committee to Meet Wednesday Public Invited to Join Email List to Get Updates, Offer Feedback

Clark County's 1 October Memorial Committee will meet at **9 a.m.** on **Wednesday, Oct. 26**, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center located at 500 S. Grand Central Parkway in downtown Las Vegas.

The meeting can be viewed live on Clark County Television (CCTV) and online at www.youtube.com/user/ClarkCountyNV/live or the committee's Facebook page @1OctoberMemorial. The meeting agenda is posted on the 1 October Memorial pages of the County's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.gov/1OctoberMemorial and includes information to participate remotely using WebEx.

The Committee will discuss the process to select design teams from submissions received through the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) call under way through October. The Committee plans to introduce the teams chosen through the process at its meeting on Jan. 25. The teams also will be scheduled to attend meetings with community stakeholder groups that week. The teams will be comprised of professional designers and engineers and include a Nevada-licensed architect. The teams are expected to review all submissions received from the public and individual artists through the Call for Creative Expressions that began in July. Proposals, including a design concept, model and programming summary with budget are expected to be unveiled in June 2023.

"We are entering a new and exciting phase of our memorial development process," said Committee Chairman Tennille Pereira, who also serves as director of the County's Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. "We look forward to selecting professional teams that will work to develop design concepts for the memorial. Their work will include reviewing the many wonderful submissions we received through our Call for Creative Expressions. We also encourage people to stay involved with this process because there will be important opportunities for the public to provide direct input to the design teams as they work on their concepts."

The calls for professional qualifications and creative expressions continue through Monday, Oct. 31. Submissions can be shared via the committee's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.gov/1OctoberMemorial and through a special app at <https://bit.ly/3ntZE66>. Anyone wishing to share an idea for a memorial or creativity inspired in response to the 1 October shooting is encouraged to participate in the Call for Creative Expressions. From the earliest days following the attack at the Route 91 festival on Oct. 1, 2017, people have used creativity to express love, hope, sorrow and support. The committee hopes to capture as many forms of those expressions as possible to help shape the eventual memorial project that gets built. All types of expressions are welcome including drawings, photos, poems, songs, and other artwork. Individual artists

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interested in contributing to the creation of the memorial also are invited to share their resumes or portfolios. Submissions received so far can be seen in the committee's online gallery at <https://tinyurl.com/38snr674>.

This summer, the committee and County leaders kicked off the first phase of an 18-month process to gather ideas for a memorial from the public and professionals that will result in a formal recommendation for a project to the County Commission in the summer of 2023. The goal is to create a memorial that remembers those who perished in the incident, honors the survivors, first responders and everyday heroes who inspired the nation with their bravery, and celebrates the resiliency and compassion of our community.

In addition to Pereira, members of the 1 October Memorial Committee include Karessa Royce, a 1 October survivor, serving as Vice Chairman; Mynda Smith, the sister of 1 October Victim Neysa Tonks; Kelly McMahill, a deputy chief for the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department; architect Dr. Robert Fielden, who established the UNLV School of Architecture; Rebecca Holden, public art project manager for the City of Las Vegas Office of Cultural Affairs; and Harold Bradford, a local artist. Consultant Punam Mathur facilitates committee meetings, while staff from Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department and other departments support the group's activities.

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