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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, June 29**, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center located at 500 S. Grand Central Parkway in downtown Las Vegas.

The Committee is working on a process to accept ideas for a memorial from the public and professional design teams to remember the events of the 1 October shooting that occurred in 2017 in Las Vegas. At Wednesday's meeting, committee members will review evaluation priorities for the upcoming Request for Qualifications (RFQs) from professional design teams interested in developing proposals for memorials. Members also will receive a presentation to demonstrate a website application specifically designed for the public to submit their ideas, as well as updates to the website.

"We are getting ready to launch a process that will allow the public and professionals alike to submit ideas and creative expressions for a memorial," said Committee Chairman Tennille Pereira, who also serves as director of the County's Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. "Anyone who is interested in submitting an idea is encouraged to do so, whether you live in the Las Vegas Valley or not. We want as much public participation in this process as possible to ensure we build a memorial that honors all who were affected by the tragic events of 1 October."

The goal of the memorial is to remember those who perished in the incident, honor the survivors, first responders and everyday heroes who inspired the nation with their bravery, and celebrate the resiliency and compassion of our community. The process to develop a memorial will unfold in three phases over the course of 18 months and result in the committee making a formal recommendation for a project to the Clark County Commission in 2023. The first phase of the process beginning this summer calls for three pathways of participation:

1. **Call for Creative Expression:** To allow members of the public and artists and designers not part of a professional design team to submit ideas for a memorial project or express interest in participating on a selected RFQ design team. Submissions will be available for viewing in an online gallery if participants grant permission. RFQ finalists will be expected to review all submissions received through the Creative Expressions pathway to inform the design concepts that they present to the public in the third phase of the process in late spring of 2023.
2. **Request for Qualifications (RFQ):** For professional artists and design teams, including a Nevada licensed architect, interested in submitting a proposed concept for a memorial. Up to five RFQ

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teams will be selected to participate in the second phase of the memorial development process, which will include meeting with stakeholder focus groups, review of Creative Expression submissions, and the creation of models to showcase their design concepts.

3. **Call for RFQ Evaluators:** To serve on a jury this fall to evaluate formal Request for Qualifications (RFQs) from professional design teams interested in participating in the process. Seven evaluators will be selected, along with seven alternates. The makeup of the panel will consist of a family member of a victim, a survivor of the shooting, a first responder, a representative from Clark County's Real Property Management Department, and experts in architecture, engineering, art history or similar disciplines. Applicants not selected to serve as evaluators may later be invited to participate in stakeholder focus groups with up to five RFQ finalists selected to design a memorial concept and model in the second phase of the process.

The public may watch Wednesday's 1 October Memorial Committee meeting 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. Committee members and County staff will host the meeting on WebEx, which is accessible by computer and telephone via information provided in the online agenda.

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.

CCTV is available in the Las Vegas area on Channel 4 on Cox cable as well as in Laughlin on Channel 14 via Suddenlink. Live streaming of CCTV programming is available on YouTube. CCTV is also available in Boulder City on Channel 4 and in Moapa Valley on Digital Channel 50.3. One may watch CCTV on streaming devices such as Roku, Apple TV and Amazon Fire TV via the YouTube app.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 11th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to 2.3 million citizens and 45.6 million visitors a year (2019). Included are the nation's 7th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

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