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Teams Chosen to Create 1 October Memorial Proposals Doing Presentations at This Week's Committee Meeting

Clark County's 1 October Memorial Committee will meet at **9 a.m.** on **Wednesday**, **Jan. 25**, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center located at 500 S. Grand Central Parkway in downtown Las Vegas.

Representatives of the five semi-finalist teams selected to develop design concepts for a memorial project that remembers the events of the 1 October tragedy will be introduced to the community. The teams, which include professional designers and a Nevada-licensed architect, will make presentations about their backgrounds, expertise and plans for developing their proposals. The teams were chosen from among 22 submissions received from the Call for Qualifications for professional RFQ teams that took place Aug. 1 to Oct. 31, 2022. A seven-person jury reviewed and scored the submissions, and the committee selected the teams with the top five scores.

"We are excited to meet the design teams that have been chosen to develop concepts for the memorial and welcome them to participate in this new phase of our process," said Committee Chairman Tennille Pereira, who also serves as director of the County's Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. "Over the next four months, the teams will be hard at work developing their proposals. By early summer the proposals will be unveiled and in September our committee will be making a recommendation to the County Commission for one of the concepts to serve as our community's lasting memorial."

Community engagement continues to be a priority for the 1 October Memorial Committee. The teams have been asked to review all creative expression submissions submitted by the public and individual artists during the first phase of the memorial development process. The teams also are encouraged to seek input from the public, including family members of victims of the attack, survivors and first responders, as they work on their proposals. Anyone wishing to participate in possible public input opportunities being hosted by the teams is encouraged to reach out to the teams directly through contact information to be listed on the 1 October Memorial Committee's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.gov/1OctoberMemorial. The names of the teams are listed here alphabetically: Aaron Neubert Architects, JCJ Architecture, OLIN, Paul Murdoch Architects and SWA Group. Their proposed concepts will be unveiled in June, and the committee is scheduled to deliver its recommendation to the County Commission for a project in September.

Wednesday's 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 committee's website and includes information to participate remotely using WebEx.

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In July 2022, the 1 October Memorial 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 recommended proposal from one of the participating teams. The goal is to create a memorial that remembers those who perished in the shooting that occurred at the Route 91 festival on Oct. 1, 2017, honors the survivors, first responders and everyday heroes who inspired the nation with their bravery, and celebrates the resiliency and compassion of the Las Vegas 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 now retired 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. Staff from Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department and other County departments support the committee's activities.

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