

City of Elko )  
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SS September 11, 2018

The City Council of the City of Elko, State of Nevada met for a regular meeting beginning at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Chris Johnson.

## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson read a Proclamation by the Mayor in Recognition of Patriot Day September 11, 2018 and asked for a moment of silence.

## ROLL CALL

**Mayor Present:** Chris J. Johnson

**Council Present:** Councilman John Rice *left at 6:14 pm*  
Councilwoman Simons  
Councilman Robert Schmidlein  
Councilman Reece Keener

**City Staff Present:** Curtis Calder, City Manager  
Scott Wilkinson, Assistant City Manager  
Ryan Limberg, Utilities Director  
Kelly Wooldridge, City Clerk  
Dennis Strickland, Public Works Director  
Cathy Laughlin, City Planner  
Jack Snyder, Deputy Fire Chief  
Ben Reed Jr., Police Chief  
James Wiley, Parks and Recreation Director  
Candi Quilici, Accounting Manager  
Jim Foster, Airport Manager  
Bob Thibault, Civil Engineer  
Jeff Ford, Building Official  
Diann Byington, Recording Secretary

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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Lynette Vega, Facilitator for Survivors of Suicide Loss, explained she was presenting for Suicide Prevention Month. She invited all to attend some September events (Exhibits “A-D”). She discussed suicide statistics and the upcoming events.

Mayor Johnson read a proclamation acknowledging National Suicide Prevention Month and presented a copy of it to Lynette Vega.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** August 28, 2018 **Regular Session**

*Not approved*

## **I. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Presentation by Josh Weber, Sam Castor and Ryan Cherry, Nevadans for Affordable Clean Energy Choices, regarding Question No. 3 “The Energy Choice Initiative”, and matters related thereto. **INFORMATION ONLY-NON ACTION ITEM**

Ryan Cherry, consultant with SB Strategies working for The Energy Choice Initiative “Yes on Question 3”, spoke in favor of Question 3 and handed out some documents (Exhibits “E & F”). He stated there is a lot of misinformation about Question 3. They want to address some of the myths included in Exhibit “E”. They believe this will offer lower power bills. Nevada does have some of the lowest rates in the nation but they feel the rates should be lower. Clean energy has a potential of adding 35,000 jobs to the state of Nevada, with increases every year, to a total of 62,000 jobs. Whether or not this initiative passes, there will still be strict regulations protecting the customers’ rights. There have been comparisons to California, and how they have failed in choice markets, but this is a different case.

Sam Castor, representing SWITCH and Yes On 3, added more to the discussion and stated many people have their opinions but they feel they can make this an opportunity that can benefit everyone.

Councilman Rice asked about the clean energy jobs.

Mr. Cherry said it is a combined number of construction and sustainable jobs.

Councilman Rice stated he is a fan of renewable energy. He is hearing that this is a de-regulation of the market. He compares that to the de-regulation of the airline market. It has worked in other communities but it hasn’t worked in rural Nevada. He worries about those in rural areas that do not have the purchasing power the metropolitan areas and large companies have.

Mr. Castor said if this passes and the market is opened, there will be significant oversight to ensure there is a provider of last resort, that people have the opportunity to choose and that people will have the opportunity to aggregate services together because there are already substantive federal laws that protect those certain kinds of concerns. Nevada should have the cheapest power in the United States. There is a great capacity for solar energy and geothermal.

Councilman Keener asked, “why are you advocating for this.”

Mr. Castor answered they have saved money by leaving the NV Energy grid. They care because they see change coming. They see abuse happening and they feel they should try to stop it.

Councilman Keener felt this is a great program in the metropolitan areas. There are about 150,000 people that reside in rural Nevada and he felt they will be left with the provider of last resort.

Councilwoman Simons asked if this passes, who would be interested in coming in to serve us?

Josh Weber, Energy Attorney and representing Yes On 3, explained he helps companies like Switch find power. In large states that have restructured, there are 200-250 viable competitors in their markets. He thought they could do better in Nevada, meaning fewer competitors. He can't name the companies but all of the large companies that do retail are very interested and ready to start serving in Nevada. We will see a strong market. There is an opportunity to see companies based here in Nevada.

Councilwoman Simons asked where are those large companies based.

Mr. Weber answered the bigger energy companies are usually based in Houston, Texas. He is pushing for some to be based here. Co-ops are good. There will be more than one company in Nevada participating. What about folks in rural locations at the end of the line? The electric industry works differently. There is no more power to send electricity to someone at the end of the line, the rural consumer, than someone in the city. Technology has changed.

Councilman Keener stated, in respect to Question No. 3, if the voters vote no, nothing changes, but if they vote yes, they are voting on the concept of de-regulation. It would then be up to the Legislature.

Mr. Cherry said with the vote of Yes on No. 3, you are enshrining your rights that will govern the legislature's actions moving forward. That is why he provided the language of the Initiative. It lines out what needs to be considered in terms of the creation of that market. The legislature will have strong guidance around what they have to do over the next five years.

Mr. Castor added that is why they want to make sure they are understanding what the Council wants. They are going to advocate for good laws. We can't guarantee it since it is a legislative process, but that is the job of the legislature. Battery technology is the billion-dollar question. If we had sophisticated batteries, Council wouldn't need to be worrying about the last mile anymore. We should be incentivizing battery innovation and how people think about power. There is a way to make this a win-win for everybody.

- B. Presentation by Vitality Unlimited Center, Chief Executive Officer, Ester Quilici regarding the new Behavioral Health Clinic, and matters related thereto.  
**INFORMATION ONLY – NON ACTION ITEM**

Ester Quilici, Vitality Unlimited Center, gave a presentation (Exhibit “G”). They applied for federal funding and were just awarded a \$2 million grant to expand their services to Carson City

and Lyon County (Exhibit “H”). The funding for certified behavioral health clinics is the wave of the future.

Councilmembers congratulated Ms. Quilici on receiving the grant.

Councilman Keener acknowledged the services that Vitality has provided to the community. He then asked, “Are there any more plans for affordable housing?”

Ms. Quilici answered they were approached to address an affordable housing development in Carlin. They don’t have any more land in Elko. If they had an opportunity, they would do more in Elko.

Councilman Keener asked with the State Licensing Boards, was she able to get some leeway from them in recruiting professionals from outside the state, because they were going to underserved areas and counties.

Ms. Quilici answered no, not at all. What they were able to do as an inducement to bring people to our area is becoming a certified site for loan payback. That is an important issue for students that are carrying a lot of debt. We are recognized at the state level and have an application in for the federal level. We should hear more in two to three months.

Curtis Calder, City Manager, asked if they are part of the network for employee assistance programs.

Ms. Quilici answered they are open to do that. She thought they had some already such as Golden Health. We don’t seek them but will try to interest them in their services.

- C. Presentation by Larry Hyslop regarding a proposed Bicycle Path between the City of Elko and the California Trail Interpretive Center, and matters related thereto.  
**INFORMATION ONLY – NON ACTION ITEM**

Larry Hyslop, California Trail Heritage Alliance, spoke about the proposed bike path that will start at Exit 298 and go all the way to the California Trail Center. It is being done on NDOT land by NDOT. It is in the scoping and risk assessment phase. According to NDOT it is going to happen. There will be a kick-off meeting in another month or two and they want all the stakeholders to attend. He then discussed the route the bike path will travel.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- E. Review, discussion, and possible action to donate \$1,000 from the Community Support Account/General Fund for the Elko High School Homecoming Parade, for the purpose of paying for the 2018 Homecoming Parade Permit, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Annually, the City of Elko donates money to various organizations through the Community Support Account. Although the Homecoming Parade was not included in the FY 2018/2019 Budget, adequate revenues exist to cover the

expenditure. A budget augmentation will be required prior to the end of the fiscal year. CC

Councilman Rice disclosed that his daughter is the Senior Class President and may be addressing the Council but he does not need to recuse himself.

Curtis Calder, City Manager, said the money is available and there will need to be a budget augmentation or transfer. If Council decides to include the Homecoming Parade donation to the Community Support donation list, it will need to be addressed at the next budget process.

Bob Thibault, Civil Engineer, showed the parade route on the overhead screen.

Kim McKnight, Elko High School said last year they had to alter the route with everything happening with the tower. Since then she spoke to the Chief and he said they can go back to this route.

Olivia Rice was there representing the Elko High School Student Body. She thanked the City for supporting the long standing tradition of having their Homecoming Parade through downtown Elko. They want to show the local business owners appreciation for their support for their traditions and activities. They also learn a sense of community by including the community of Elko in their activities. The crowds they have at their games, the fans at the pep rally and parade, and other activities are larger than many of their rival schools get at their activities. The parade is their best effort to go out into the community for exposure to the businesses. She thanked them again for helping to continue this tradition.

Jim Winer, 700 Idaho Street, stated he saw this on the agenda and thought it appeared dysfunctional that there is a fee and the City will agree to pay for it. There are some businesses in the community that would be willing to share the fee of the parade if need be. The fee was set to offset police fees and whatnot. A lot of folks are saying it is a small parade, ten floats and it is a tradition, maybe the City can look at how this is handled in the future. The language to the policy is tricky but the business community is out there willing to do a temporary help. He wanted the City to look at fees for parades differently depending on the tradition and what it brings forth to the community, etc.

Councilwoman Simons stated that in one year we had 17 parades. When you have 12 or 17 parades it adds up. When taxpayers give them their money and expect it to go to roads, fire services or something, and then we say we are spending thousands of dollars on parades, we felt that was hard to justify to the constituents. Not everyone wants their tax money to go to parades. That was why they sat down and looked at what it costs to pay overtime policemen and the Street Department, and that is why they started charging. The hiccup in the plan was the Homecoming Parade because it is different. We did look at ways to word the code but could not come up with a way they could word it for that. It does seem backwards but she thought this was something they could do to help. If they just keep up with that request then it will work out, hopefully perpetually, and Jim would not have to scramble every year to see if people will help. This is probably the best plan.

Councilman Rice thanked Jim Winer for his help. This is a remedy they have for the time being and maybe they can come up with another plan in the future.

Councilwoman Simons said the legal counsel said we, as a local government, are not allowed to give something of value away. There are some rules and that is why we can't just say they are exempt. There is now a value to this and we are not permitted to just give this to them.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilwoman Simons, seconded by Councilman Keener, to approve a donation of \$1,000 from the Community Support Account General Fund for the Elko High School Homecoming Parade, for the purpose of paying the 2018 Homecoming Parade permit.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- D. Review, consideration, and possible action to initiate an Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) Ordinance, pursuant to NRS 490, by amending Title 7 of the Elko City Code, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NRS 490 allows cities and/or counties to designate paved roadways for limited Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) use. Information has been included in the agenda packet for review. CC

Curtis Calder, City Manager, explained there was quite a bit of information in the packet. This is just the initiation phase and we do not have a draft ordinance yet. There is a matrix in the packet that shows what other Nevada communities have done. Ultimately we need to keep in mind the way our community is laid out. There is a lot of NDOT right-of-way and there are bridges. There is an ordinance regarding OHV usage around the homes, 300 ft. distance requirement. In the summer, spring and fall months, the City receives complaints about OHV around the City. These are things to keep in mind.

Councilman Keener asked if it is possible to cross NDOT right-of-way but not travel on it.

Mr. Calder answered that was his understanding. There are other things to keep in mind such as OHV registration and age limits. These vehicles are not made for pavement use and handle differently on pavement than dirt. We have folks in the audience that would like to speak on this matter.

Clair Morris, 3131 Midland Drive, said when he travels he looks for areas that have golf courses and are ATV friendly. They are just as safe, or safer than riding a motorcycle. Irresponsible drivers do make it bad for people who are responsible. They do create dust. From a tourist aspect, this can bring people to Elko. Years ago we had an ATV convention here. He was the Police Chief at the time and they had to escort the drivers out of town to get to the trails. That would not be necessary of an ordinance is passed.

John Glenn, 420 30<sup>th</sup> Street, said the legislature asked the OHV division to go out to communities that would have skin in the game and find out who may be for it. They did a questionnaire on it. The OHV commission is planning on bringing the OHV trail to Elko County and connect with Utah and Arizona. There will be a lot of tourism coming in. Utah has increased their tourism by adopting this. You can wait to see what the recommendation would be from the OHV division. Another option would be to look at what other states are doing.

Councilman Keener asked if we are waiting for some guidelines coming out from the state.

Mr. Glenn answered a survey was completed and we will see the results of the survey. There is money available through the OHV Commission via grants. You will get signage and money help.

Mr. Calder said another thing that is popular is GPS based tracks. If you were to ride into Elko on the Nevada BDR, which Elko is part of, you are following a GPS track and it brings you right over the mountains to the south into Hamilton Stage and then you ride into town and it takes you to gas stations and hotels or wherever you want to go. You have a guide programed on the GPS. Maybe the OHV can help us come up with GPS Tracks that can be downloaded from our website. A lot of the side-by-sides come with GPS already. That is another way to help guide people to where they need to go.

Mr. Glenn said you can go from one end of the state to another without touching paved roads but you still need to get gas and have a place to stay.

Councilman Schmidlein said the OHV is justified but he would like to know what the designated routes are going to be. It is the way of the future. He is on the fence a bit and wants to see what the commission comes back with. We need to be careful and have designated routes.

Councilman Keener thought it would be helpful to have a committee formed and have them bring guidelines back to Council.

Mr. Glenn said if we are going to do it, do it right. The Spring Creek Association didn't do it right.

Mayor Johnson is in support of different types of use. He would like to leave his house and go to trails. We should look at Utah and Arizona to see what they implemented. We won't have all the answers tonight but if this sounds conceptually something that could be for Elko, we will move this on to the next step.

Chief Reed said he spent some time looking at this. He owns three ATV's and he runs them around his ranch almost every day. Every time he tears one up Mr. Shippy has to fix it. For our troops, they will get the conflicts and the calls. The ordinance needs to be clearly defined to avoid conflicts. We talked today about doing a one year review to see if anything needs to be corrected. Most of us are responsible riders but Elko is a bigger city than some other places. The OHV Commission sends him stuff everyday asking how they can help. He goes to other parts of the state and sees these trails and maybe it is time to get this going in the city. Maybe those in the city need somewhere to ride to? There is money available for that.

Terry St. Louis, representing Ships Cycles, handed out copies of designated routes from a couple of areas in the state (Exhibit "I"). Logandale, Nevada was the first ATV friendly town in Nevada and in Clark County. The ATV's have their own little lane where they can drive. Logandale has benefited from the ATV folks that live there and visit.

Doug Shippy wondered if instead of designated routes, should we make routes we cannot use? He is thinking that needs to be specified. That way everyone in the city can get gas and then ride out of town.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Keener, seconded by Councilman Rice, to direct the City Manager's Office to oversee the formation of a committee to draft guidelines and recommendations allowing Off Highway Vehicle usage within the City of Elko, and this will be a committee consisting of our Elko Police Department and any other entities of law enforcement that he feels are necessary, Elko Convention and Visitors Authority, and other stake holders and concerned citizens.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

## **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Review, consideration, and possible approval of the revised City of Elko Personnel Policy, Chapter 2.10 Drug-and Alcohol-Free Workplace, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a Final rule which requires covered employers to make changes to their DOT drug-testing program. The new rule added four semi-synthetic opioids to the existing testing panel, which are classified by the Controlled Substance Act as Schedule II drugs and are: hydrocodone, hydromorphone, oxymorphone, and oxycodone. This new rule is in addition to the current DOT's standard five-panel drug-testing program which includes amphetamines, cocaine, marijuana, phencyclidine, and opiates (now referred to as opioids). This rule applies to all employers in DOT-regulated industries subject to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 40. The Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy (Chapter 2.10) has been updated to reflect these changes. AB

- B. Review, consideration, and possible approval of the revised City of Elko Personnel Policy, Chapter 13 Vehicle Operators Drug and Alcohol Policy, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

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**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilwoman Simons, to approve the consent agenda.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

### **III. APPROPRIATIONS**

- A. Review and possible approval of Warrants, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilman Keener, to approve the general warrants.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- C. Review and possible approval of Great Basin Engineering Warrants, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilwoman Simons, to approve the Great Basin Engineering warrants.**

*The motion passed. (4-0 Councilman Schmidlein abstained.)*

- B. Review and possible approval of Print ‘N Copy Warrants, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Schmidlein, seconded by Councilwoman Simons, to approve Print ‘N Copy warrants.**

*The motion passed. (4-0 Councilman Keener abstained.)*

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS (Cont.)**

- A. Review, consideration, and possible authorization to solicit Statements of Qualifications for the Exit 298 Lift Station and Sewer Design, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

This capital project is budgeted for in the current fiscal year. The design work would consist of designing a lift station and a sewer force main back to the Water Reclamation Facility. If authorized, Staff will bring back a ratings sheet to Council for possible award at a future meeting. RL

Ryan Limberg, Utilities Director, explained this is an item that was brought to council over a year ago. He was directed to hold off until there is more development in the area. We now have more players. He would like to solicit SOQ’s for this.

Councilman Schmidlein asked how soon will Komatsu break ground.

Scott Wilkinson, Assistant City Manager, answered in the next 30 days or so they will start grading the property. They are working with management in Japan to finalize the size of the project. They also have to be actively developing the property to annex into the city.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Schmidlein, seconded by Councilwoman Simons, to authorize soliciting Statements of Qualifications for the Exit 298 Sewer Design Lift Station.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- B. Review, consideration, and possible approval to grant a Utility Easement to Sierra Pacific Power Company, a Nevada Corporation, d/b/a NV Energy across property owned by the City of Elko along Bullion Road on APN 006-090-059 and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NV Energy is requesting the City grant an easement over the location of an existing pole line. This land was formerly owned by the BLM. The BLM had granted an easement for the pole line, but the location of the former easement was not clearly defined. The granting of this easement clarifies the rights of NV Energy to operate and maintain the utility in the existing location. City Staff supports this request. BT

Bob Thibault explained where the parcel was. This is land given to us from the BLM some years ago. Legal counsel has reviewed this request and has approved moving forward.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilman Schmidlein, to approve the granting of an easement to NV Energy across a parcel of land identified as APN: 006-090-059, owned by the City as described in the Grant of Easement document.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- C. Review, consideration, and possible nomination of a new Chairperson for the Storm Water Advisory Committee, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Due to a Staff member resignation, the Chairperson position is currently vacant. Article III, Section 1 of the committee bylaws states that the City Council shall nominate the Chairperson. BT

Mr. Thibault said he brought this to Council as the Vice Chairman of the Storm Water Advisory Committee. He recommended appointing Dennis Strickland to this position.

**\*\* A motion was made by Mayor Johnson, seconded by Councilman Keener, to appoint Dennis Strickland as Chairman of the Storm Water Advisory Committee.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- F. Review, consideration, and possible approval of a request from the Elko City Recreation Department to close the parking lot between the City Pool and Ernie

Hall Field for the Trunk or Treat Event, scheduled for October 26, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and related matters thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Recreation Department is having their second annual Trunk or Treat Event and would like to utilize the parking lot to set up the event. KW

James Wiley, Parks and Recreation Director, explained this would be the second Trunk or Treat event. We didn't do it last year due to turnover. There are several of these that take place throughout the area. Our event won't interfere with other Trunk or Treats. There is another event that night at the pool, the Pumpkin Bob, where you can go into the pool and take a pumpkin home. We have considered combining these events and close the area to traffic. He also invited Council to help out with the events.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Schmidlein, seconded by Councilman Rice, to authorize the Elko City Recreation Department to close the parking lot between the City Pool and Ernie Hall Field for the Trunk or Treat event.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

## **V. PETITIONS, APPEALS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Ratification of the Police Chief issuing a 30-day Temporary Packaged Liquor License and issue a Regular Packaged Liquor License, modifying the current Packaged Beer and Wine License, to Joshua and Joseph Hunt, DBA Hunt Convenience Stores, located at 275 12<sup>th</sup> St, Elko, NV 89801, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chief Reed explained earlier this year, Al Park Petroleum sold to the Hunt Brothers. They have recently come forth asking for regular liquor licenses at both of their locations. This will change the classification of their license. He recommended approval.

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilman Schmidlein, ratify the Police Chief issuing a 30-day Temporary Packaged Liquor License and issue a Regular Packaged Liquor License, modifying the current Packaged Beer and Wine License, to Joshua and Joseph Hunt, dba Hunt Convenience Stores, located at 275 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Elko.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

- B. Ratification of the Police Chief issuing a 30-day Temporary Packaged Liquor License and issue a Regular Packaged Liquor License, modifying the current Packaged Beer and Wine License, to Joshua and Joseph Hunt, DBA Idaho Street Station, LLC, located at 1600 Idaho St, Elko, NV 89801, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**\*\* A motion was made by Councilman Schmidlein, seconded by Councilwoman Simons, to ratify the Police Chief issuing a 30-day Temporary Packaged Liquor License and issue a Regular Packaged Liquor License, modifying the current Package Beer and**

**Wine License, to Joshua and Joseph Hund, dba Idaho Street Station, LLC, located at 1600 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)*

## **VI. REPORTS**

### **A. Mayor and City Council**

*Councilman Keener was at the Planning Commission last week and there was a sad case of a person building a shed in his backyard and the City shut them down. This man had put some serious money into it and he checked with the Building Department regarding building permits but didn't check into setbacks. We really need to look further into storage sheds. Cathy Laughlin said they received the appeal today and this will be on the next agenda. She will also take a look at this.*

*Councilman Rice left at 6:14.*

*Mayor Johnson said the letter went out regarding the BLM funding the California Trail Center. Curtis Calder said he hasn't heard back from the BLM but they are happy for the support.*

### **B. City Manager**

*Curtis Calder said this is the last chance for anyone that wants to go to Nevada League of Cities (NLC). He needs to know right now. Scott Wilkinson will be on a panel at the regarding our homeless camp. He has been contacted by a lady from Topeka, KS regarding the homeless camp because they may be looking at starting one too. The monthly Government Affairs Committee meeting was held on Monday. They are discussing the date for candidate forums. They said they are shooting for mid-October. September 18 will be our Joint Workshop regarding the subdivision code, and will be held at the Convention Center.*

### **C. Assistant City Manager**

### **D. Utilities Director**

### **E. Public Works**

### **F. Airport Manager**

*Jim Foster said we are 15 days into the Fence Relocation Project. They are getting ready to begin the Vault Project on September 17.*

### **G. City Attorney**

### **H. Fire Chief**

### **I. Police Chief**

*Ben Reed reported he is maybe 80-90% completed with the Brothel Ordinance he was asked to review. They are making great progress with just a few changes. He is also contacting the brothel owners for their suggestions.*

### **J. City Clerk**

### **K. City Planner**

### **L. Development Manager**

### **M. Administrative Services Director**

### **N. Parks and Recreation Director**

*James Wiley updated Council on the Sports Complex. Significantly more progress on the grading has been done. They are close to having the rough grading completed. Utilities are mostly in. The utilities coming across the*

*river are now across. The river is open and no longer dammed up. He and Bob met with Granite regarding the concession stand. They want to begin work on that. He thinks we will see progress on that building ahead of schedule.*

O. Civil Engineer

*Bob Thibault said Granite also bid on the parking lot and they want to get that paved this season as well.*

P. Building Official

*Councilman Keener asked if Komatsu has come in. Jeff Ford answered and we may see a grading plan this week. They are ready to get started. Scott Wilkinson said Jeff is contracted with WC3 to assist us in our Building Code updates. In the next 2 to 3 months, we will see those code amendments presented to council.*

## COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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Thad Ballard, Wells Rural Electric Company and representing No On 3, said if we deregulate the electricity market, we will not be paying wholesale prices. There are a lot of steps for the industry and the consumer. NV Energy was forced to purchase renewable electricity at its current development cost. Because you can buy renewable energy at 4.6 cents, when it's being offered by NV Energy at 16 cents, underscores the point that they made several weeks ago. There is going to be a stranded cost out there and someone will get stuck with it. All of the costs that NV Energy is trying to recoup will still be paid by us. The end cost for the consumer will be more than we are paying right now.

Garrett Hilton, Wells Rural Company, said unfortunately there are things that are based on fact and some things that have been said on the record, that makes it really hard for them to agree. At the end of the day, we are asked to believe in a concept. The big push is for renewable energy but there is no correlation between restructuring electricity markets and increased renewables. Question 3 does not explicitly require that more renewables are integrated onto the grid. New solar generation projects may come online irrespective whether a majority of Nevada voters approve question 3. Residential consumers unfamiliar with the energy choice structure can be disadvantaged under restructured markets in the absence of strong consumer protection regulations. Putting this in the State Constitution is not the way to handle this. We are talking about the right way to do this. He agrees that they want flexibility but a constitutional amendment is not how you address flexibility. We want cheap prices for Nevadans. He is a millennial and would love renewable energy to be more widely used. Looking at released studies, they show that is not going to be the impact for the first ten years. Every state that has done this have seen rate increases. The guarantees for lower rates has not been made.

Enoch Dahl, Wells Rural Electric, explained his primary role at the company is power supply and finance. It was mentioned was that the grid that exists is already paid for but that is not

correct. There are service territories in State of Nevada. We have heard people say they are in favor of Question 3 because then we can buy cheap electricity from Wells Rural Electric. That is not true. If you do not live within their service territory, you cannot buy their cheap power. The power may be cheaper, the people that own those poles and wires will be charging those using them. Those systems cost money to install and maintain. It would be nice if they were all free and everyone could use it. All these things sound good but you have to look closer at what is really going on there.

Ryan Cherry with Yes On 3, rebutted to the statements made by Wells Rural Electric. They believe in the protections that are put in place for the rural co-ops. We believe when offered choice, folks are not going to be leaving services or choosing it because they already have some of the cheapest power you can get. He suggested that NV Energy has made this issue political.

Councilman Keener asked why did he think the Nevada Mining Association has taken a position of no on Question 3.

Mr. Cherry with Yes On 3, answered he struggles with that. He asked to present to them and was denied the chance to present their case. He does not know why they take that stand.

Sam Castor, SWITCH, said it was because NV Energy sat on the board and they had a direct conflict of interest. What you see is a company that has \$200 billion of revenue that is doing everything they can to keep that revenue coming in. When SWITCH started their exit process in 2014, they were willing to pay the fee to be taken off the grid. The first time they applied, the PUC said they were too unique and too valuable to leave. They sued them and won. The PUC was later exposed as maintaining a social media account to attempt to block SWITCH from going public. They agreed to pay the fee because they did not want anyone to get hurt. You cannot rely on the PUC because they are biased. Regarding the co-op issue, they love co-ops and want to protect them and their customers. The issues here are at the very core of how democracy works. It is sensitive but choice in competition are things that keep people honest.

Mr. Ballard, Wells Rural Electric, said they had a lengthy discussion about this before coming up here because they didn't want it to become a debate. He attended the PUC hearings and you can criticize the process because it wasn't the traditional investigatory docket but it was an open forum where anyone and everyone could get up and say what they wanted. There was a representative from the Retail Energy Supply Association and he was asked if he could assure that consumers will see lower rates. He said we need to be realistic about what could happen here. Even a guy that was paid to be a proponent of it was unwilling to say consumers are going to get a better deal. He grew up with Wells Rural Electric. This is life and blood and what he does every single day. When they say they will aggregate the loads and get everyone a better deal, it sounds like they want to be your power company. Maybe it will be a great deal or maybe it won't.

Councilman Keener thought that was the most public comment we've ever had at the end of the meeting for the record.

Councilman Schmidlein thought it was a great dialog and there were great points from both sides.

There being no further business, Mayor Chris Johnson adjourned the meeting.

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Mayor Chris Johnson

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Kelly Wooldridge, City Clerk

# Exhibit A

www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org

## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING



### WHAT IS YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID USA?

Youth Mental Health First Aid is a public education program focused on training adults to respond to and assist youth who may be developing a mental health disorder or experiencing an emotional or mental health crisis.

### WHY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

You are more likely to encounter someone — friend, family member, student, neighbor, or member of the community — in an emotional or mental crisis than someone having a heart attack. Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches a 5-step action plan to offer initial help to young people showing signs of a mental disorder or in a crisis and to connect them with the appropriate professional, peer, social, or self-help care. Anyone can take the 8-hour Youth Mental Health First Aid course, but it is ideally designed for adults who work with young people, ages 12-18 — teachers, coaches, nurses, leaders of faith communities, social workers, and other caring citizens.

### REGISTRATION FORM

To register, please fax completed form to Mary Ann Martinez at (775) 738-7837

- Or -

Email to: [mary\\_ann@pacecoalition.org](mailto:mary_ann@pacecoalition.org)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Course date \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation / employer name \_\_\_\_\_

Licensing Board \_\_\_\_\_

CEU License # \_\_\_\_\_

### YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING IN ELKO, NEVADA

[REDACTED]

WHEN: THURSDAY, SEPT. 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

TIME: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM  
(With half-hour lunch)

LOCATION: ELKO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
1405 IDAHO ST.  
Elko, NV 89801

QUESTIONS: Mary Ann Martinez  
(775) 777-3451

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

### ALGEE - the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan

- Assess for risk of suicide or harm
- Listen non-judgmentally
- Give reassurance and information
- Encourage appropriate professional help
- Encourage self-help and other support strategies

Questions? Contact Mary Ann Martinez at (775) 777-3451

Mental Health First Aid USA is coordinated by the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Missouri Department of Mental Health.



# Exhibit B



# NAMI Nevada

National Alliance on Mental Illness

## Annual State Conference Registration Form

### "RESILIENCY IN TRAUMA"

When: Thursday, September 20, 2018

Where: Central Church, 1801 New Beginnings Rd., Henderson, NV 89511

Registration - 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

Conference: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Member Meeting - 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Please complete the form below and mail the form and payment to:

NAMI NV

3100 Hill St., Ste. 206, Reno, NV 89502

Or call (775) 470-5600 to pay by credit card

Name:

Company Name (if applicable):

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Cell Phone:

Email:

For CEU Credit - NV License#:

Please check ALL functions and meetings you plan to attend.

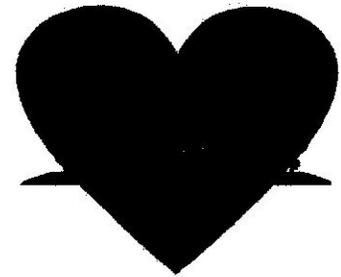
Breakfast:

Lunch:  Sandwich  Salad

Membership Meeting:

Board of Directors Meeting:

Live Streaming at Elko School District  
Office on Sept. 20, 8:30-4:30



### COST

**\$40 PER PERSON**

**\$60 with CEUs**

**BREAKFAST &**

**LUNCH INCLUDED**

### TOPICS INCLUDING

-TRAUMA THROUGH THE  
LIFESPAN

-PSYCHIATRIC ADVANCED  
DIRECTIVES

-ROUTE 01 TRAUMA SURVIVORS

-SCHOOL BASED SOCIAL WORK

---Lodging---

Holiday Inn Express, Henderson, NV

\$100/night

Call 702-890-2323 for Reservations

### CONTACT

janet@naminevada.org

775-470-5600

Email Janet if  
you are going to the  
live streaming in  
Elko.

# Restricting Access to Lethal Means

Are you concerned or worried about a loved one taking their life or are you worried about taking your life? Is there domestic violence in your home or in a home of a loved one? How can you keep them safe and you safe? All of these questions and more will be answered.

	<b>What are Lethal Means?</b>
Firearms, medication and alcohol.	

	<b>Discussion</b>
Elko Police Department will lead a discussion about restricting lethal means. This <b>will not</b> be a discussion about gun laws. It is about keeping your loved one safe and you safe.	

	<b>Suicide Attempt Survivors</b>
You will hear from suicide attempt survivors about how they have moved forward.	

	<b>Survivors of Suicide Loss</b>
Survivors of Suicide Loss will share how they have healed from a devastating life event.	

	<b>Who can come?</b>
Everyone in the community is welcomed to attend a free event about saving lives.	

	<b>When and Where?</b>
September 18th, 2018, 6-7 pm at Great Basin College in the Greenhaw Technical Arts room 130.	



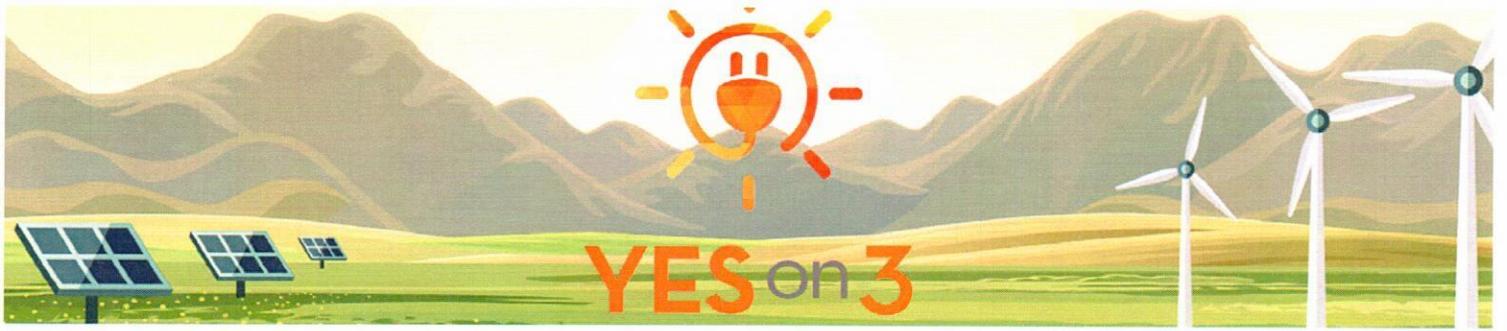
**13th Annual  
Walk in Memory Walk for Hope**

**When:** Sept. 15th, 8:00 am registration, ceremony starts at 8:30  
**Where:** Elko City Park at the Hospice Rose Garden  
**Why:** 5k walk/run for Survivors of Suicide Loss and to prevent suicides  
**Sign up online at** [www.nvsuicideprevention.org](http://www.nvsuicideprevention.org)

Hear music by **The Moonshine OUTLAWS**.  
Get a t-shirt and beads for a \$20 donation.  
Make a button with your loved ones picture.  
Leashed dogs get a bandana.

**Survivors of Suicide Loss of Northeastern Nevada**  
In conjunction with  
**Nevada Coalition for Suicide Prevention**

Exhibit "D"



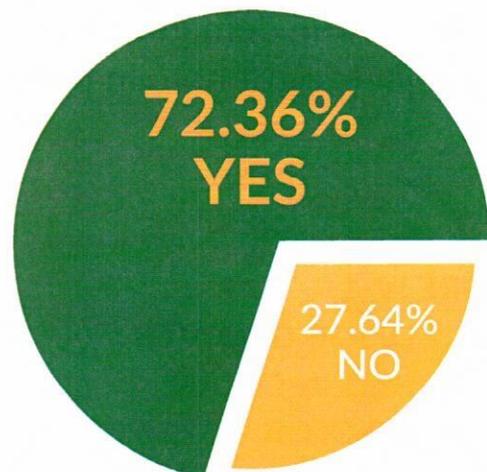
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## NEVADANS FOR ENERGY CHOICE

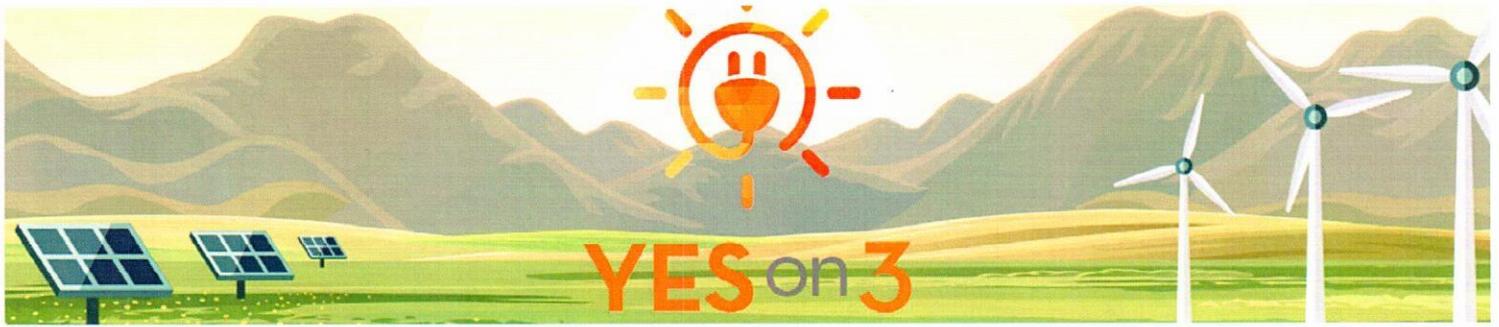
Approval of the Energy Choice Initiative, otherwise known as Question 3, in 2018 would add a new section to the Nevada Constitution establishing that every customer has the right to choose the provider of its electric utility service, including but not limited to, selecting providers from a competitive retail electric market, or by producing electricity for themselves or in association with others, and shall not be forced to purchase energy from one provider. The proposed amendment does not by itself create an open and competitive retail electric market, but rather requires the Legislature to provide by law for such a market by July 1, 2023.

**BALLOT LANGUAGE:** *Shall Article 1 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to require the Legislature to provide by law for the establishment of an open, competitive retail electric energy market that prohibits the granting of monopolies and exclusive franchises for the generation of electricity?*

## 2016 ELECTION RESULTS



### Exhibit "E"



# YES on 3

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## LOWER POWER BILLS

Consumers are saving 20% on their energy bills in choice states, as illustrated in the charts below. A study showed that on average, the 13 existing energy choice states have seen prices fall 4.5% against inflation, while monopoly states have seen prices rise against inflation by 8.5%.

## MORE RENEWABLE ENERGY

Even though Nevada has plentiful solar, wind and geothermal resources, these energy sources still only make up 20% of our energy mix. The passage of ECI will allow consumers to access clean, renewable energy and will spur the demand for building these projects right here in our state.

## JOBS JOBS JOBS

Passage of the Energy Choice Initiative means more opportunity to build new renewable energy projects and benefit from the jobs that come with it. One Nevada Economist estimated that our state could see our renewable energy economy grow as much as 8% annually, leading to as many as 35,000 new jobs.

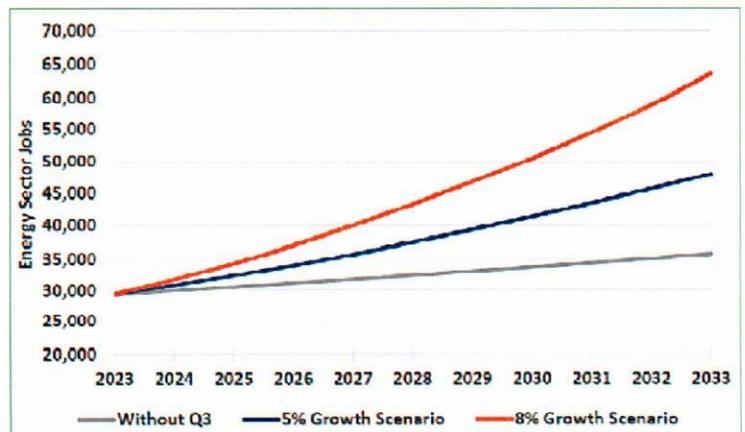
## FREEDOM TO CHOOSE

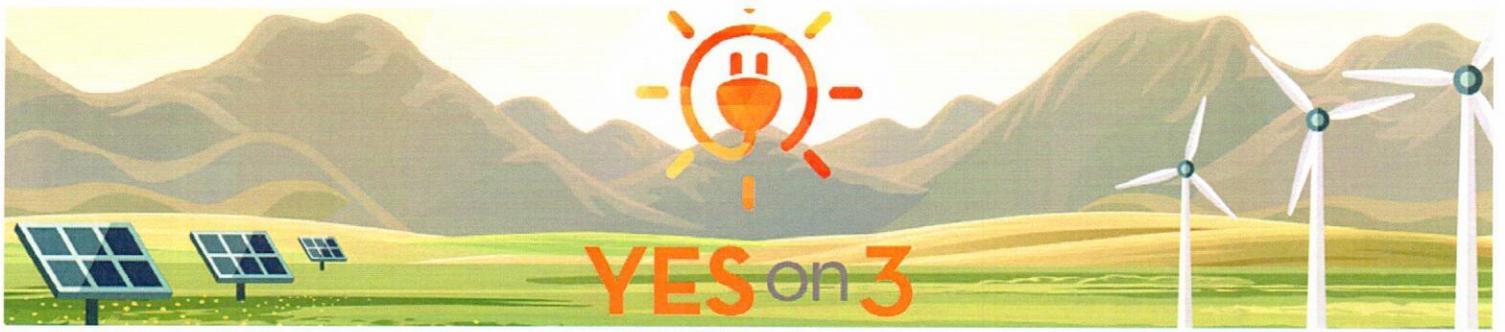
The freedom to choose your energy provider will result in increased competition, leading to more innovation, lower costs and enhanced customer service.

Source: Based on economic analysis performed by RCG Economics <http://energyfreedomnv.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/2016->

**FIGURE IV-1  
POSSIBLE JOB GROWTH  
OUTCOMES IN CLEAN  
ENERGY SECTOR: 2023-2033**

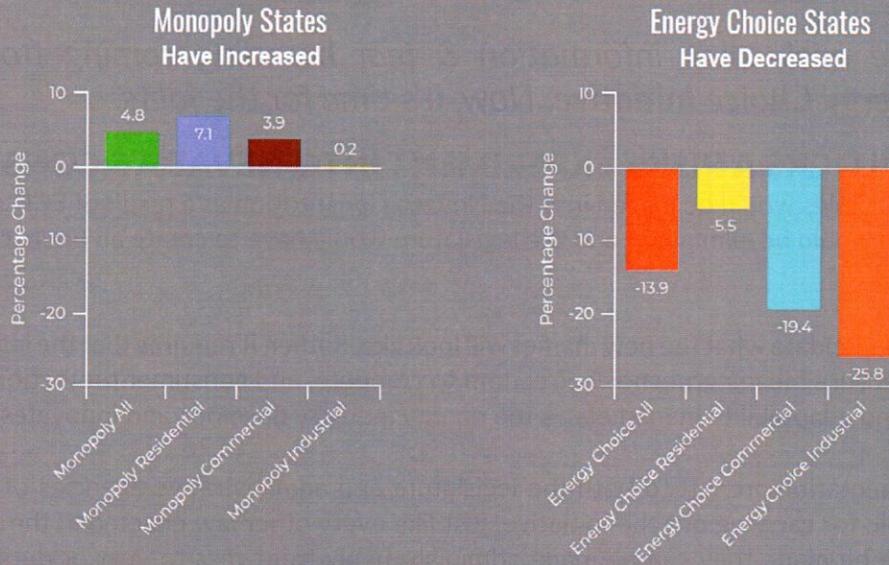
Source: RCG economics





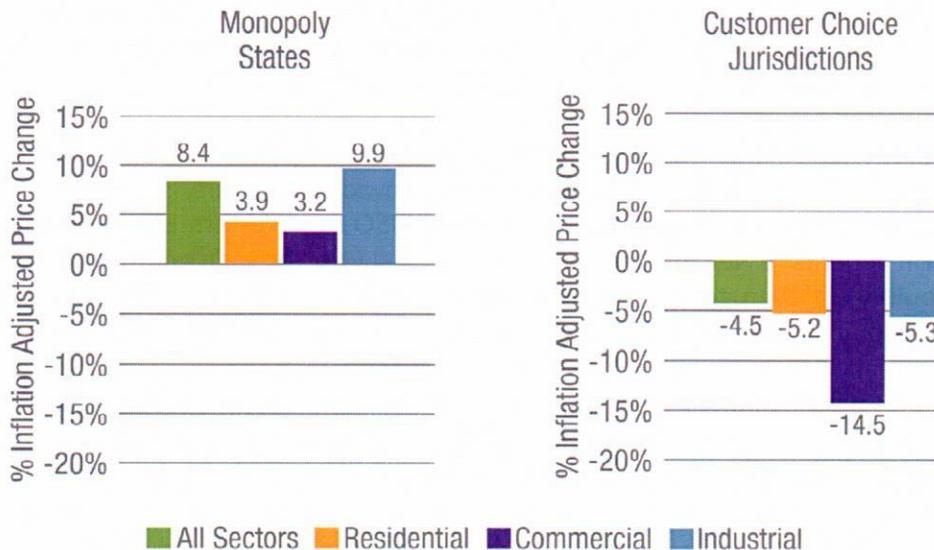
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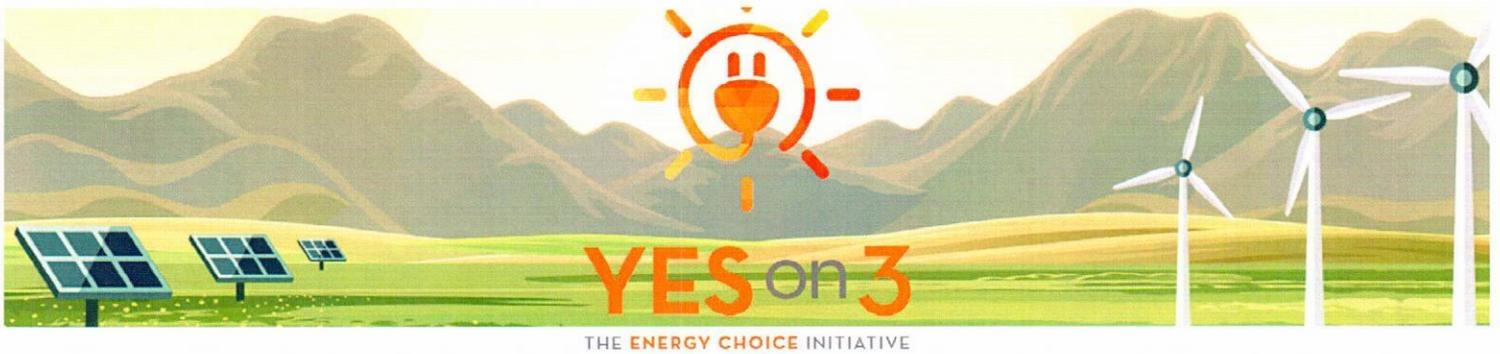
### Real Price Change 2008-2015



Source: Energy Information Administration EIA.GOV

FIGURE 7: INFLATION ADJUSTED % PRICE CHANGE 1997-2014: CHOICE vs MONOPOLY





## **THE REAL FACTS ABOUT QUESTION 3**

*You've heard the misleading information & fear branding coming from NV Energy regarding the Energy Choice Initiative. Now, it's time for the facts.*

### **MYTH #1 – ECI “LOCKS A RISKY EXPERIMENT INTO NEVADA’S CONSTITUTION”**

In reality, only two principles would be placed into the Nevada Constitution as a result of ECI: electric generation monopolies in Nevada would be eliminated and the legislature would have to create an open, competitive energy market by July 1, 2023.

The initiative does not mandate what the new market will look like. Rather, it requires that the legislature undertake the responsibility to ensure meaningful choice, freedom to compete, and consumer protection. By doing so, ECI allows for flexibility and adaptability in markets as the energy industry develops and innovates moving forward.

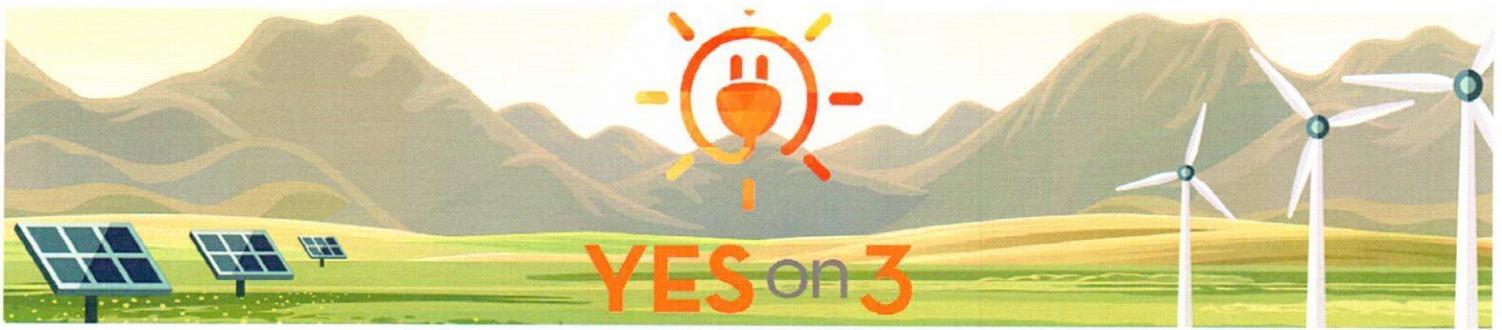
The details of implementation are left to both the legislature and administrative agencies of state government that will be responsible for carrying out the initiative, just like every other law enacted in the state of Nevada. If modifications need to be made they can be made administratively from year-to-year or during each legislative session. As such, energy choice will be implemented exactly as it has been in the 17 other states that offer some form of energy choice.

### **MYTH #2 – “COULD FORCE NEVADA TO JOIN CALIFORNIA’S ELECTRICITY GRID”**

Nevada’s grid will remain just as it is today- physically connected to the Western grid which includes California and nine other Western states. However, the maximum benefits of energy choice are realized when choice states are part of an independently run wholesale electric market, as it allows for power to move freely amongst all participants in the market. One potential option is for Nevada to join the “California Independent System Operator” or CAISO, which is one such wholesale market. However, ECI does not require Nevada to join CAISO or any wholesale market at all for that matter; that decision is up to the legislature.

NV Energy is already part of one market run by the CAISO via their participation in the Western Energy Imbalance Market. Also, Valley Electric, a co-op providing power to rural Nevada customers, is a member of the full CAISO market. It’s estimated that NV Energy’s participation in the CAISO run Western Energy Imbalance Market has conferred \$27 million in benefits to Nevada ratepayers over the last year. Nevada’s participation in the full CAISO wholesale market would yield even greater financial benefits for the state. CAISO provided estimates to the Nevada Public Utilities Commission that these benefits could be as much as \$100 million per year.

It is important to note that California does not regulate the CAISO, but it is instead overseen by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which has jurisdiction to regulate energy choice states as well. The CAISO is neither a state agency nor a federal agency, but an independent non-profit corporation.



### **MYTH #3 – “WOULD COST NEVADA CONSUMERS AND TAXPAYERS BILLIONS”**

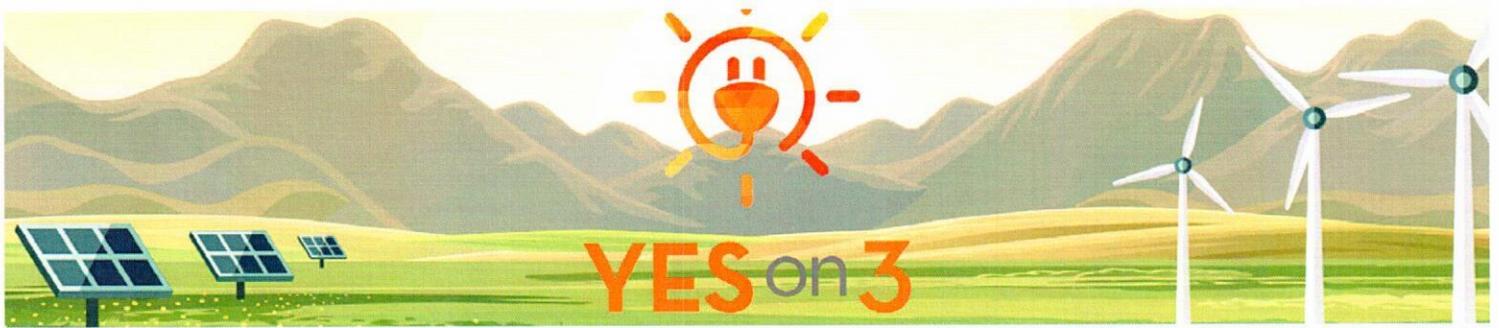
You will owe nothing more to NV Energy when the Energy Choice Initiative passes than you do now. If they choose to sell their generating plants (ECI does not require them to do so) there may be a claim on NV Energy's part that they are entitled to the difference between the book value of those plants (original cost less depreciation) and the market value at auction. If the market value is less than book value then the difference is called “stranded costs”. If the market value is higher than the book value the difference is a “stranded benefit”. NV Energy will try to make Nevada consumers pay if there are any stranded costs, but they will want to keep the money if there are any stranded benefits.

Our preliminary estimates indicate that instead of \$5 to \$12 billion of stranded costs as NV Energy has recklessly claimed, there may be stranded benefits as high as \$500 million to \$1 billion dollars related to the value of their generating assets. Also, they have included other “stranded costs” in their estimates that are just wrong and instead should be characterized as stranded benefits. For example, almost \$1 billion of NV Energy's purported stranded costs consumers will be required to pay really are 50 years in the future worth of low cost hydro power from Hoover Dam that is priced below market at \$.027 per kilowatt hour. This contract is in fact a benefit that will not be lost to Nevada consumers when ECI passes. It should be counted as a \$1 billion benefit rather than a “stranded cost”. It is completely misleading and disingenuous to do otherwise. The legislature and the Nevada Public Utilities Commission will look at these issues and properly determine the relative costs and benefits to the people of Nevada at the time that ECI is implemented. To attempt to do so now prior to the formulation of the enabling statutes by the Nevada Legislature, and the accounting and depreciation determinations by the PUCN in implementing those statutes would be pure speculation.

### **MYTH #4 – “DISRUPTS NV'S PROGRESS TOWARD A RENEWABLE ENERGY FUTURE”**

The Energy Choice Initiative clearly states in paragraph 3(c), “Nothing herein shall be construed to invalidate Nevada's public policies on renewable energy, energy efficiency and environmental protection or limit the Legislature's ability to impose such policies on participants in a competitive electricity market.” Assembly Bill 405 from the 2017 legislative session not only restored rooftop solar and net metering in Nevada, but also ensured that both would be preserved in an open market. In fact, in choice markets customers should receive more benefits from net metering than they do under traditional utility monopolies because the full value of the excess solar production from their systems can be valued and compensated. The passage of Question 3 guarantees that neither NV Energy nor the PUC can take away rooftop solar or net metering again

When ECI passes, it will offer the market and policy stability necessary to encourage renewable energy development in Nevada at a 5-8% higher annual rate than currently projected, according to a study. These projections will result in as many as 34,080 new jobs in our state and will produce hundreds of millions in direct annual income impact. Market participants would still have to comply with Nevada's renewable portfolio standard, currently set at 25% renewables by 2020. A proposed ballot initiative in the signature gathering phase would raise that standard to 50% renewables by 2030. With all our abundant sunshine, the Smart Electric Power Alliance doesn't even rank NV Energy in the top 10 for best solar utilities.



## **MYTH #5 – “RELIABILITY WILL BE IMPACTED UNDER ECI”**

The Energy Choice Initiative clearly states in paragraph 3(a), “...The legislature need not provide for the deregulation of transmission or distribution of electricity in order to establish a competitive market consistent with this act.” In other words, NV Energy is not forced to divest of their poles and wires.

NV Energy CEO Paul Caudill said himself in a 2016 TV interview that energy choice would not have any effect on reliability because “the transmission and distribution system (poles and wires) is the backbone of the system”. Under energy choice, NV Energy will still own and maintain the transmission and distribution system. So, if the power goes off you will still call NV Energy just as you do today as they will still remain in charge of grid reliability in the same areas of Nevada that they serve now. The Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) will still regulate them and require them to ensure the safe and secure continued delivery of electricity to Nevada electric customers.

## **MYTH #6 – “RATES WILL SKYROCKET”**

Free market principles drive costs down, not up, in competitive markets across the country. This principle is true and understood to the point that 19 other states have limitations on monopolies in their state constitutions. 6 states have gone so far as to support amending the US Constitution to prohibit monopolies. Public opinion on monopolies is not driven by campaigns, but by everyday experience.

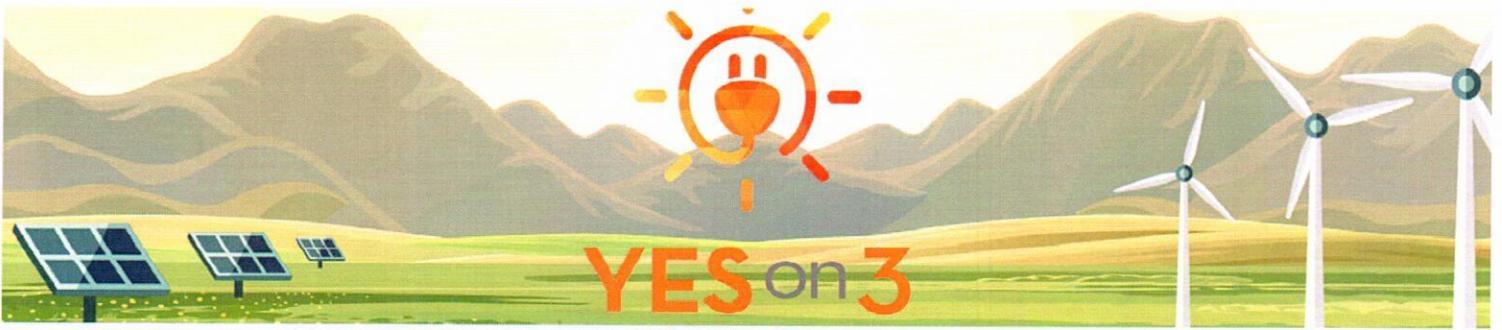
A July 2015 study definitively shows that consumers in choice state have seen their power costs fall 4.5% against inflation on average, while consumers in monopoly states have seen their price rise 8.5% more than inflation. This is true in Nevada as rates are up more than 50% since 2000, out-pacing the rate of inflation.

Energy Choice will enable all Nevada consumers to control their energy bills and lower costs in two major ways.

First, retail Energy Choice will provide both business and residential customers with meaningful options to lower energy costs through competitive energy service plans from multiple service providers where you decide which option best meets your needs and lowers your bills.

Second, Energy Choice will allow for innovative ways to re-imagine energy, for example, by giving Nevada consumers the ability to sell energy services back to the grid to further lower overall energy costs. You don't have to have a solar system to do this or even a battery. Tens of thousands of consumers in states with retail energy competition now sell shifts in their energy use back to the grid and get paid to do so. This lowers further their overall energy bill.

The language of the Energy Choice Initiative is clear in the legislative duty to provide for safe, reliable, and competitively priced energy and to protect consumers. The initiative is also clear on establishing the legislature's right to impose policies on participants in a competitively priced marketplace. Important issues such as low-income energy assistance can and should be addressed by the legislature as a part of implementing the Energy Choice Initiative.



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### **MYTH #7 - "\$142 MILLION IN EDUCATION FUNDING WILL GO AWAY IF ECI PASSES"**

No money "goes away". All of the assets necessary to provide energy services (lines and wires, poles and transformers, generators and substations) will all remain in place and continue to provide service. This means that regardless of who owns them, those assets will continue to pay property taxes and other assessments that will pay for schools. Further, any franchise taxes, business taxes or mill taxes that are now collected from energy revenues received by NV Energy will continue to be collected from competitive retail energy providers. No money will be lost to state or local governments. This is a blatant scare tactic with no basis in fact.

### **MYTH #8 - ENERGY CHOICE IS "DEREGULATION" AS IN "NO REGULATION"**

Energy choice is not "deregulation" but rather "thoughtful restructuring". The Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) will have complete regulatory authority over the lines and wires and all other distribution assets of NV Energy just as it does now. Rates for distribution service will be set by the PUCN in a full evidentiary hearing under full economic regulation.

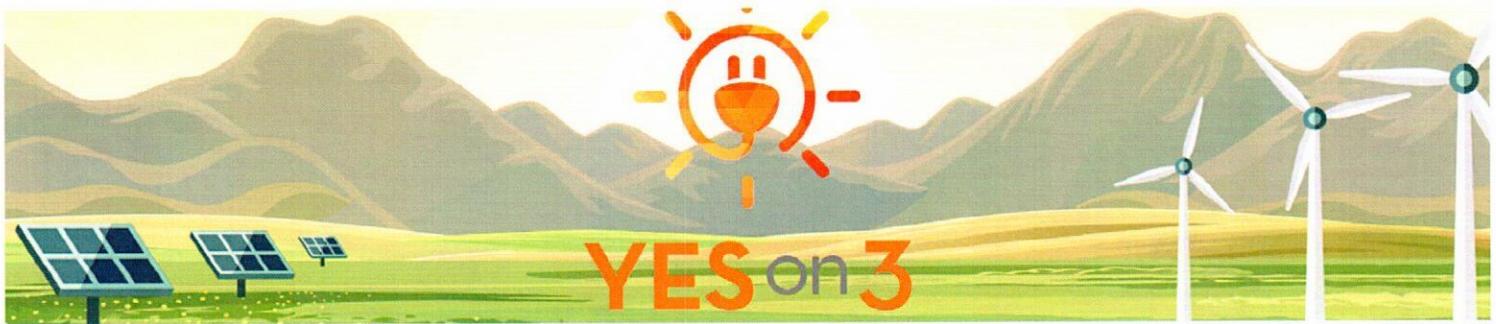
In addition, an entity designated by the legislature will have the responsibility to fully license all new retail energy service providers and oversee and set rules and regulations for the new retail energy market. So, there will be full market regulation of the retail market by a state agency. In addition, a state agency will also be responsible for investigating consumer complaints and ensuring that consumers are treated fairly by all market participants. These functions are similar to the functions now performed by the Nevada State Contractors Board for licensing and regulating contractors who do business in Nevada providing consumers contracting services like plumbers, electricians and builders.

In addition, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission oversees the wholesale electric markets all over the country and under ECI, Nevada will be no different.

### **MYTH #9 - "NEVADA WILL SUFFER THE SAME FATE AS CALIFORNIA DID W/ ENRON"**

The so called "Enron crisis" resulted when multiple wholesale energy market traders, including Enron, engaged in fraud and manipulation in the wholesale energy markets. This was not the result of putting retail energy choice in place. Enron and others at the time (1999-2001) were able to engage in wholesale market manipulation as a direct result of ineffective enforcement mechanisms and few resources at the federal level, causing prices to skyrocket. These prices eventually drove up retail energy prices for consumers in California and throughout the West.

In 2005, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) was given substantial new authority by Congress to go after fraud and manipulation in the wholesale energy markets. The FERC Office of Enforcement has gone from approximately seven people during Enron to over 200 today. Since Congress authorized FERC's increased enforcement authority in 2005 there has not been an incident of market fraud or manipulation that even approached the scale of Enron. And every subsequent instance of attempted fraud or manipulation has resulted in heavy fines and orders of reimbursement by FERC.



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## **MYTH #10 – “MASSACHUSETTS MARKET ISSUES WILL HAPPEN IN NEVADA TOO”**

Massachusetts let the incumbent monopoly utilities provide competitive service along side the competitive retail providers allowing those monopolies to subsidize their retail energy service from their regulated monopoly distribution (poles and wires) service. So of course they could and did offer lower rates to retail customers causing competitive retail providers to be pushed out of the market in a form of predatory pricing.

In Nevada we will not allow the monopoly distribution provider (NV Energy) to also provide competitive retail energy services.

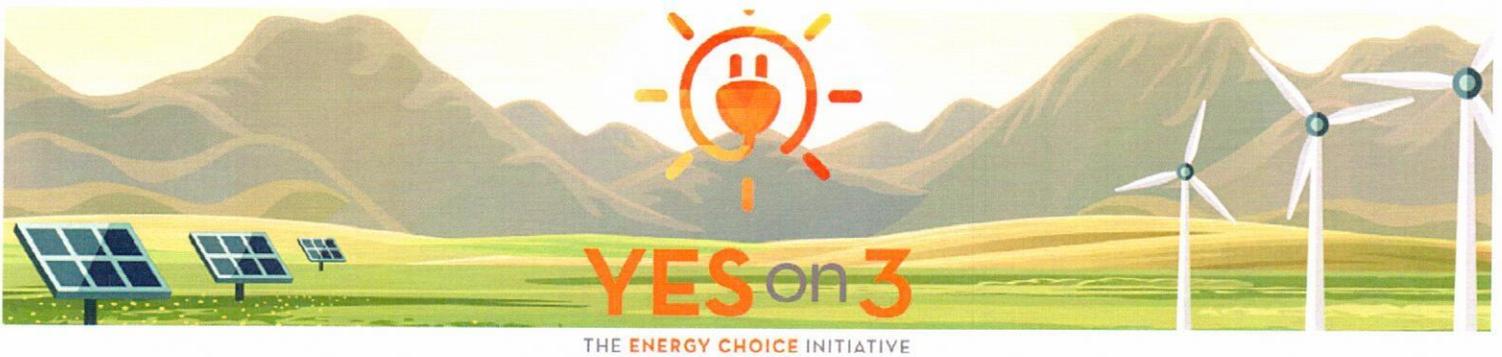
There were some small retail (residential) providers, pushed to the edge by this situation, who did engage in inappropriate behavior and perhaps even made misrepresentations to customers. Some consumers were abused and over charged, clearly. But it is also clear from reading the AG's report in Massachusetts that the Massachusetts consumer protection laws were not adequate to protect consumers from this fraud and abuse.

The legislature in Nevada is tasked by the initiative to ensure that the enabling legislation provides for strong consumer protection laws that prevent such fraud and abuse.

The retail market for residential consumers in Massachusetts is, according to the AG's own report, not transparent. Thus consumers are prevented from easily shopping and comparing retail energy offers. Consumers had no idea if what they were being offered by a particular retail provider was a good deal or not.

In Nevada, the legislature can ensure that we have an open and transparent system like they do in Texas where there is a independent government run website that is updated constantly to provide consumers with the latest offers by all retail energy providers in the state.

In Nevada, NV Energy is estimated to have overcharged Nevadans about \$300 million in the last few years alone, resulting in about \$200 million in over earnings for the utility. Consumers are already being negatively financially impacted by the monopoly utility in Nevada.



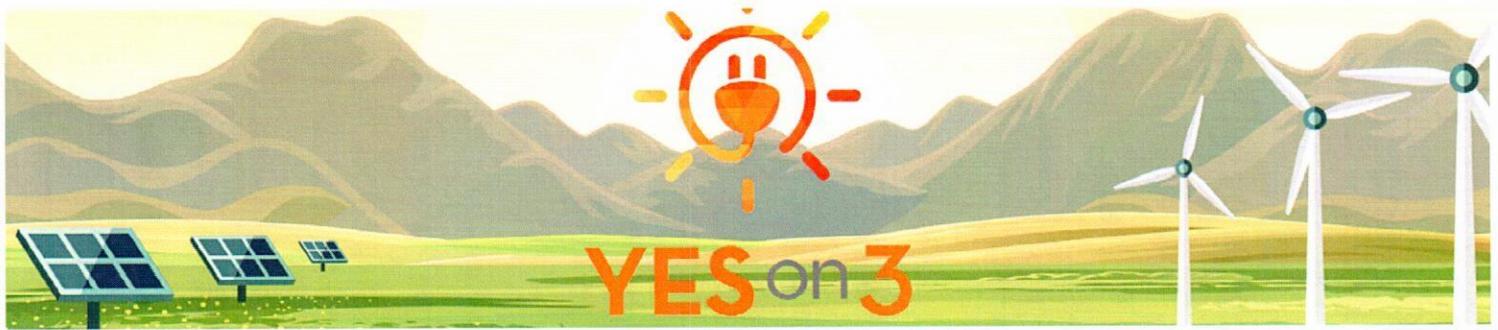
## MYTH #11 - THE PUC REPORT

In April of 2018, the PUCN adopted a report prepared by Chairman Joe Reynolds. The PUCN Report was over 100 pages and has been questioned as exceeding the bounds of its subject matter as assigned by the Governor's Committee on Energy Choice ("CEC"). The ECI campaign prepared a motion and detailed rebuttal comments on the PUCN Report prior to the report's adoption. Instead of being properly placed into the docket for public viewing, it was placed into the public comment file and is only accessible by public records request. To this day, the ECI motion and Rebuttal Comments have never been disclosed or ruled upon. Such treatment of a motion is unprecedented in PUCN practice.

The ECI Rebuttal alleged that the PUCN Report: (i) did not respect the spirit of the Nevada initiative process and improperly committed public resources to comment on and criticize the initiative; (ii) exceeded PUCN authority; (iii) did not adhere to the guidelines set forth by the CEC; and (iv) was based on numerous factual and legal errors. The PUCN Report warns the public against the Energy Choice initiative, raises concerns of hundreds of millions of dollars of costs, and a future where the PUCN is unable to protect the public from the unknowns of energy choice. The reality is ECI presents Nevada residents with several opportunities that will keep energy costs low for consumers, allow for the development of clean, renewable energy, create jobs, and put Nevada in a position to become a national leader in energy development and policy. These opportunities have been highlighted by numerous entities over the past three years and have been discussed in detail by experts.

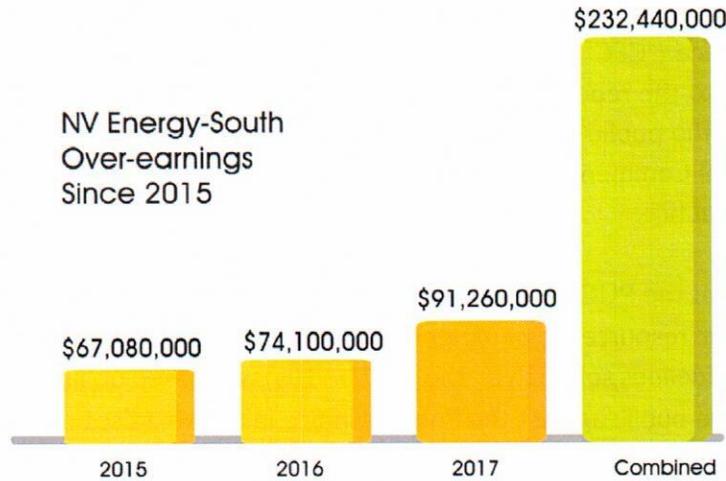
One report is that of Dr. Phil O'Connor, Ph.D., on behalf of the Retail Energy Supply Association, who presented his findings before the PUCN during the investigation and workshop. Dr. O'Connor collected twenty years of data from states that have adopted competitive electric markets and states that have maintained traditional energy monopolies. He found that (a) electricity prices in states with competitive retail markets trend downward, whereas monopoly states trend upward; (b) investments in competitive market states are tempered by the market, rather than driven upward by guaranteed, captive rate-payers; and (c) power plants in market states worked more efficiently than their counterparts in monopoly states. Despite this evidence, the PUCN Report inexplicably concludes that if energy choice is adopted, rates will rise. The only way to reach such a conclusion would have been to wholly ignore this empirically researched analysis while embracing NV Energy's unsupported allegations of higher costs. And indeed, review of Chairman Reynolds' initial report reveals no mention of Dr. O'Connor's work. However, it was mentioned in the addendum after the final report was approved on April 30, 2018.

A report by industry expert Mark Garrett, on behalf of ECI, also rebutted the PUC's claim that setting up the new market would cost \$4 billion. To the contrary, Mr. Garrett found that there would be \$1.1 billion in net benefits to Nevada ratepayers when ECI passes, with more than \$500 million of that coming from accumulated deferred income taxes, which is Nevada ratepayer money that was not addressed in the PUC report. These discrepancies are disconcerting, as they provide evidence that the PUC Report restates NV Energy talking points and purposefully excludes counter-evidence in an effort to protect the monopoly.



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## NV ENERGY OVER-EARNINGS (SOUTHERN NEVADA ONLY)



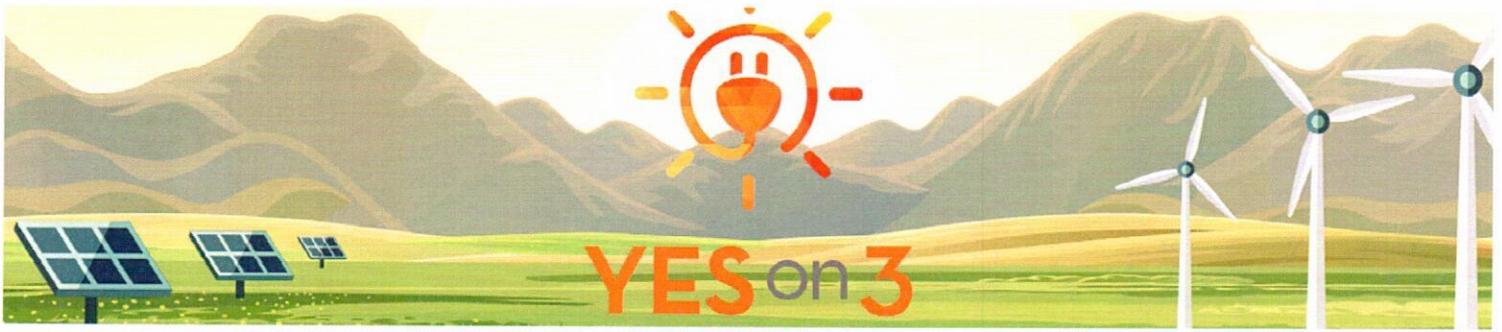
## NV ENERGY QUARTERLY OVER-EARNINGS (SOUTHERN NEVADA ONLY)

Year-to-Date Quarters	NV Energy-South Earned Rate on Equity	NV Energy-South Authorized Return on Equity	Variance (%)	Variance (basis points)	NV Energy-South Quarterly Over-Earnings*
Q1 2015	11.06%	9.80%	1.26%	126	\$12,285,000
Q2 2015	11.03%	9.80%	1.23%	123	\$15,990,000
Q3 2015	11.34%	9.80%	1.54%	154	\$30,030,000
Q4 2015	11.52%	9.80%	1.72%	172	\$67,080,000
<b>2015 Total</b>	<b>11.52%</b>	<b>9.80%</b>	<b>1.72%</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>\$67,080,000</b>
Q1 2016	11.05%	9.80%	1.25%	125	\$12,187,500
Q2 2016	11.52%	9.80%	1.72%	172	\$22,360,000
Q3 2016	11.59%	9.80%	1.79%	179	\$34,905,000
Q4 2016	11.70%	9.80%	1.90%	190	\$74,100,000
<b>2016 Total</b>	<b>11.70%</b>	<b>9.80%</b>	<b>1.90%</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>\$74,100,000</b>
Q1 2017	12.15%	9.80%	2.35%	235	\$22,912,500
Q2 2017	12.70%	9.80%	2.99%	299	\$38,870,000
Q3 2017	12.29%	9.80%	2.49%	249	\$48,555,000
Q4 2017**	12.14%	9.80%	2.34%	234	\$64,740,000
<b>2017 Total</b>	<b>12.14%</b>	<b>9.80%</b>	<b>2.34%</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>\$91,260,000</b>

\* Based on Docket No. 17-06003, see Smart Energy Alliance Expert Witness Written Testimony, Brad Mullins at 4. See also PUCN Staff's testimony that every 10 basis points of Return on Equity ("ROE") is worth approximately \$3.9 million. Swetha Venkat Testimony p. 184, Ins. 17-20.

\*\* Q4 2017 Estimate based on annualizing 3rd Quarter YTD 2017 Results.

**GRAND TOTAL** **\$232,440,000**



# CALCULATE YOUR OWN BILL

CONSUMERS DON'T PAY RATES, THEY PAY BILLS AND NEVADA'S EFFECTIVE RATES ARE MUCH HIGHER THAN THE 8.38 CENTS/KWH THAT NV ENERGY PROCLAIMS IN IT'S ADS

**NV Energy**

Service Address: LAS VEGAS, NV

02-15-2018  
PAGE 1 OF 2

**Electric Historical Usage Data**

Usage History	No. Days	kWh	Avg kWh Per Day
This Month	31	850	27.4
Last Month	31	860	27.7
Last Year	31	905	29.2

Avg Cost Per Day This Month: \$3.79

**Avg kWh Per Day By Month**

**Account Summary**

DATE DUE: Mar 6, 2018  
 AMOUNT DUE: \$117.36  
 Account: [REDACTED]  
 Customer Number: [REDACTED]  
 Premises Number: [REDACTED]  
 Billing Date: [REDACTED]  
 Next Read Date: [REDACTED]

Meter Mult.	Usage
1	850

Electric Charges 117.36  
**Current Amount Due \$117.36**

Previous Account Balance 118.63  
 Payment - Jan 23, 2018 118.63 CR

Electric Charges 117.36  
**Current Amount Due \$117.36**

**Electric: Residential Service**

Meter Number	Service Type	Service Period From	To	Bill Days	Previous Meter Reading	Current Meter Reading	Meter Mult.	Usage
[REDACTED]	kWh	Jan 12, 2018	Feb 12, 2018	31	4,513	5,363	1	850

Electric Consumption	850.000	kWh	x	0.11248	95.61
Temp. Green Power Financing	850.000	kWh	x	0.00086	0.73
Renewable Energy Program	850.000	kWh	x	0.00095	0.81
Energy Efficiency Charge	850.000	kWh	x	0.00183	1.56
Basic Service Charge				5%	12.75
Local Government Fee					5.57
Universal Energy Charge	850.000	kWh	x	0.00039	0.33

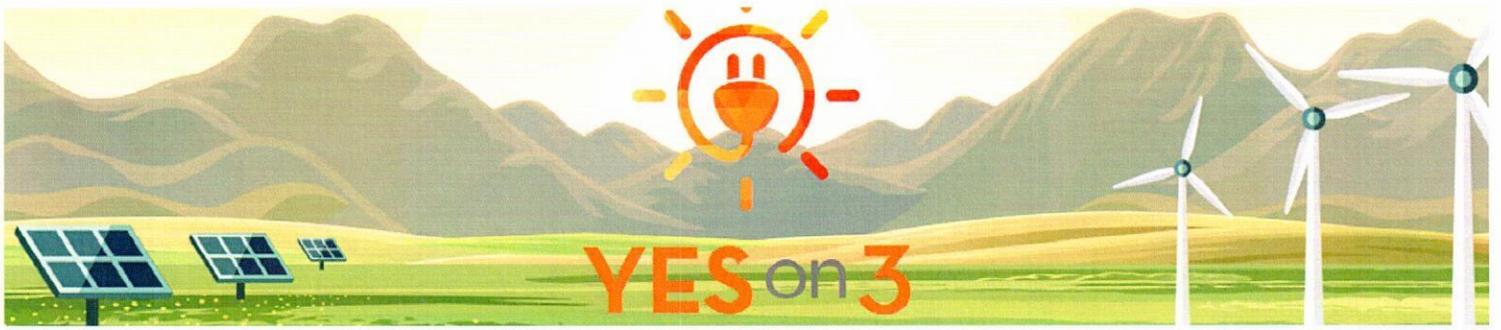
Total Electric Service Amount \$117.36

Thank you for maintaining an excellent payment record. We look forward to serving you in the future.

To determine your actual power cost, divide your **“current charges”** by the **“usage”**.

Total bill cost of **\$117.36 /**  
usage of **850 kWh**

**13.8 cents a kWh**



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# 2016-2018 RESIDENTIAL RATES BY EIA.GOV

Residential Electricity Rates by State 2016 Annual Average		
Rank	State	Cost per kWh
1	Louisiana	9.34
2	Washington	9.48
3	Arkansas	9.92
4	Idaho	9.95
5	North Dakota	10.16
6	Oklahoma	10.20
7	Tennessee	10.41
8	Mississippi	10.47
9	Kentucky	10.49
10	Oregon	10.66
11	Nebraska	10.84
12	Montana	10.94
13	Florida	10.98
14	Texas	10.99
15	Utah	11.02
16	North Carolina	11.03
17	Wyoming	11.13
18	Missouri	11.21
19	Virginia	11.36
20	Nevada	11.41
21	West Virginia	11.44
22	South Dakota	11.47
23	Georgia	11.50
24	Indiana	11.79
25	Iowa	11.94
26	Alabama	11.99
27	New Mexico	12.03
28	Colorado	12.07
29	Arizona	12.15
30	DC	12.29
31	Ohio	12.47
32	Illinois	12.54
33	South Carolina	12.65
34	Minnesota	12.67
35	Kansas	13.06
36	Delaware	13.42
37	Pennsylvania	13.86
38	Wisconsin	14.07
39	Maryland	14.23
40	Michigan	15.22
41	New Jersey	15.72
42	Maine	15.83
43	Vermont	17.37
44	California	17.39
45	New York	17.58
46	New Hampshire	18.38
47	Rhode Island	18.62
48	Massachusetts	19.00
49	Connecticut	20.01
50	Alaska	NM
51	Hawaii	27.47

Residential Electricity Rates by State 2017 Annual Average		
Rank	State	Cost per kWh
1	Louisiana	9.51
2	Washington	9.60
3	Idaho	10.11
4	Arkansas	10.22
5	North Dakota	10.40
6	Oklahoma	10.48
7	Kentucky	10.64
8	Tennessee	10.65
9	Oregon	10.71
10	Nebraska	10.98
11	Utah	11.04
12	Montana	11.11
13	North Carolina	11.12
14	Texas	11.18
15	Mississippi	11.19
16	Missouri	11.27
17	Wyoming	11.41
18	West Virginia	11.62
19	Virginia	11.67
20	South Dakota	11.68
21	Georgia	11.80
22	Florida	11.85
23	Indiana	11.95
24	Nevada	12.00
25	Colorado	12.13
26	Ohio	12.37
27	Arizona	12.50
28	Iowa	12.60
29	Alabama	12.61
30	Illinois	12.70
31	South Carolina	12.78
32	New Mexico	12.92
33	DC	12.93
34	Minnesota	13.19
35	Kansas	13.27
36	Delaware	13.44
37	Maryland	13.99
38	Pennsylvania	14.33
39	Wisconsin	14.68
40	Michigan	15.47
41	New Jersey	15.69
42	Maine	15.96
43	Vermont	17.65
44	New York	18.04
45	California	18.24
46	Rhode Island	18.30
47	Massachusetts	18.92
48	New Hampshire	19.22
49	Connecticut	20.31
50	Alaska	21.57
51	Hawaii	29.50

Residential Electricity Rates by State March 2018 YTD		
Rank	State	Cost per kWh
1	Louisiana	9.05
2	North Dakota	9.24
3	Washington	9.56
4	Oklahoma	9.65
5	Nebraska	9.67
6	Missouri	9.73
7	Arkansas	9.79
8	Idaho	10.15
9	Kentucky	10.16
10	Tennessee	10.40
11	Utah	10.40
12	Oregon	10.66
13	Montana	10.74
14	South Dakota	10.77
15	North Carolina	10.84
16	Georgia	10.90
17	Wyoming	10.91
18	Mississippi	11.07
19	Texas	11.11
20	West Virginia	11.25
21	Virginia	11.30
22	Iowa	11.48
23	Indiana	11.52
24	Colorado	11.66
25	Florida	11.98
26	Alabama	12.06
27	Ohio	12.16
28	South Carolina	12.21
29	New Mexico	12.23
30	Delaware	12.25
31	Arizona	12.26
32	Illinois	12.48
33	Nevada	12.49
34	Minnesota	12.55
35	DC	12.59
36	Kansas	12.69
37	Maryland	13.09
38	Pennsylvania	13.84
39	Wisconsin	14.22
40	Michigan	15.46
41	New Jersey	15.59
42	Maine	15.95
43	Vermont	17.64
44	New York	17.82
45	California	19.03
46	New Hampshire	19.62
47	Connecticut	20.77
48	Rhode Island	21.42
49	Alaska	21.43
50	Massachusetts	21.64
51	Hawaii	31.57

Table 5.6.B Average Price of Electricity for 2016/2017  
Annual average: <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/archive/february2018.pdf>

Table 5.6.B Average Price of Electricity March 2018 YTD  
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## THE ENERGY CHOICE INITIATIVE

Explanation: Language in *bolded italics* is to be added to the constitution by this amendment.

**The People of the State of Nevada do enact as follows:**

**Section 1:** Article 1 of the Nevada Constitution is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

**1. Declaration of Policy:**

*The People of the State of Nevada declare that it is the policy of this State that electricity markets be open and competitive so that all electricity customers are afforded meaningful choices among different providers, and that economic and regulatory burdens be minimized in order to promote competition and choices in the electric energy market. This Act shall be liberally construed to achieve this purpose.*

**2. Rights of Electric Energy Purchasers:**

*Effective upon the dates set forth in subsection 3, every person, business, association of persons or businesses, state agency, political subdivision of the State of Nevada, or any other entity in Nevada has the right to choose the provider of its electric utility service, including but not limited to, selecting providers from a competitive retail electric market, or by producing electricity for themselves or in association with others, and shall not be forced to purchase energy from one provider. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting such persons' or entities' rights to sell, trade or otherwise dispose of electricity.*

**3. Implementation**

*(a) Not later than July 1, 2023, the Legislature shall provide by law for provisions consistent with this Act to establish an open, competitive retail electric energy market, to ensure that protections are established that entitle customers to safe, reliable, and competitively priced electricity, including, but not limited to, provisions that reduce costs to customers, protect against service disconnections and unfair practices, and prohibit the grant of monopolies and exclusive franchises for the generation of electricity. The Legislature need not provide for the deregulation of transmission or distribution of electricity in order to establish a competitive market consistent with this Act.*

*(b) Upon enactment of any law by the Legislature pursuant to this Act before July 1, 2023, and not later than that date, any laws, regulations, regulatory orders or other provisions which conflict with this Act will be void. However, the Legislature may enact legislation consistent with this act that provides for an open electric energy market in part or in whole before July 1, 2023.*

*(c) Nothing herein shall be construed to invalidate Nevada's public policies on renewable energy, energy efficiency and environmental protection or limit the Legislature's ability to impose such policies on participants in a competitive electricity market.*

**4. Severability:**

*Should any part of this Act be declared invalid, or the application thereof to any person, thing or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions or application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable. This subsection shall be construed broadly to preserve and effectuate the declared purpose of this Act.*

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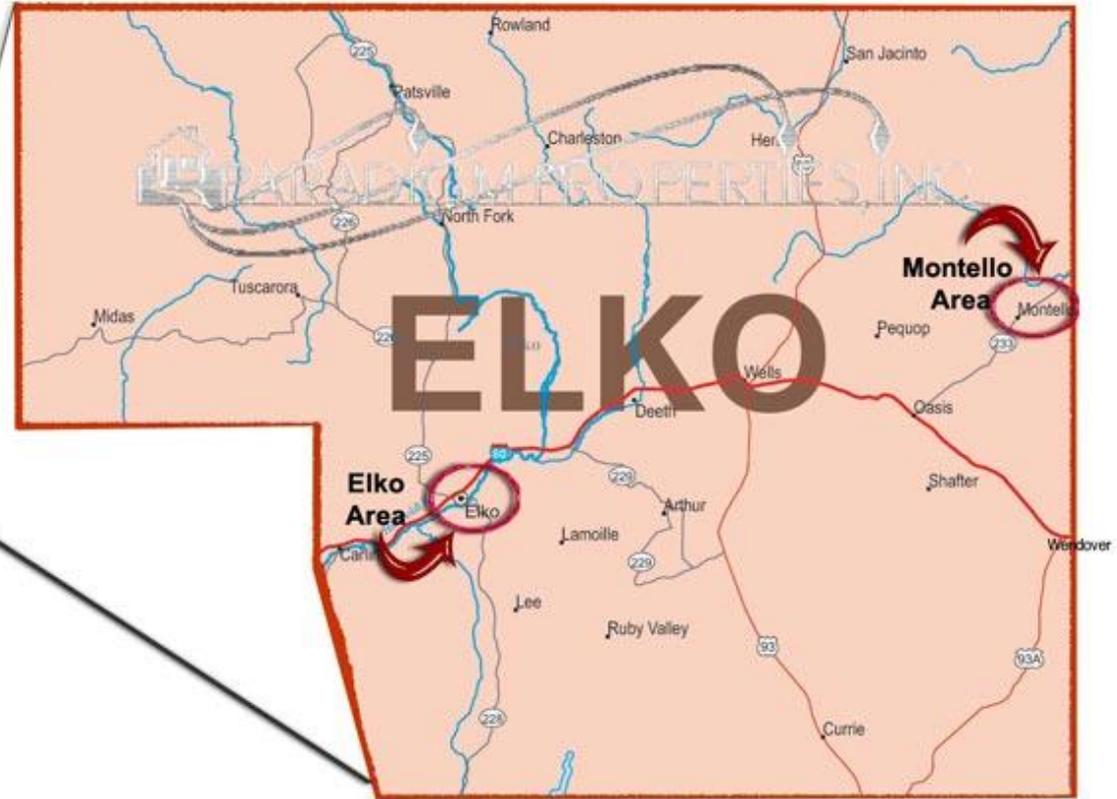


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**ELKO, NEVADA**

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# Nevada Counties



**WHERE THE HECK IS  
ELKO, NEVADA?**

# ELKO COUNTY

- ❑ VITALITY INTEGRATED PROGRAMS (VIPs) – OUR CCBHC IS LOCATED IN ELKO, NEVADA
- ELKO IS A FRONTIER COUNTY HAS A POPULATION OF 6 OR LESS PER SQUARE MILE
- ELKO COUNTY WOULD HOLD RHODE ISLAND, DELAWARE, CONNECTICUT, VERMONT AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
- DISTANCE FROM POPULATION CENTERS OR SPECIALITY MEDICAL CARE:
  - TWIN FALLS, IDAHO – 165 MILES
  - SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH – 229 MILES
  - RENO, NEVADA 288 MILES
  - LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 422 MILES

# ELKO COUNTY

- ELKO COUNTY POPULATION OF 48,818
- SQUARE MILES IN ELKO COUNTY 17,303
- ELKO COUNTY HAS 2.84 PEOPLE PER SQUARE MILE
- ELKO COUNTY IS THE 4<sup>TH</sup> LARGEST COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES
- THE CITY OF ELKO HAS A POPULATION OF 20,442
- 400 JACKRABBITS PER SQUARE MILE

# CLARK COUNTY

- CLARK COUNTY (LAS VEGAS) HAS A POPULATION OF 2,155,664
- SQUARE MILES IN CLARK COUNTY 8,061
- CLARK COUNTY HAS 4,376 PEOPLE PER SQUARE MILE
- CLARK COUNTY IS THE 22<sup>ND</sup> LARGEST COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES
- THE POPULATION OF LAS VEGAS IS 648,224
- CLARK COUNTY HAS NO JACKRABBITS

# WHY DID ELKO NEED A CCBHC?

- NEVADA CONSUMERS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS WHO DID NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT
  - 67.5% - ADULTS
  - 71.6% OF ADOLESCENTS
- ON AVERAGE ONE PERSON DIES EVERY THIRTEEN HOURS IN NEVADA BY SUICIDE
  - ELKO COUNTY HAS 4 TIMES THE STATE SUICIDE RATE
- THE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES HAS RANKED NEVADA AS THE WORST AMONG THE 15 WESTERN STATES FOR MENTAL ILLNESS PREVELANCE
- MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS, ESPECIALLY DEPRESSION, ARE A DIRECT RESULT OF DRUG USE AND PEOPLE USE WHEN THEY ARE DEPRESSED
- 100% OF THE POPULATION OF ELKO COUNTY IS LIVING IN A HEALTH PROVIDER SHORTAGE AREA FOR MENTAL HEALTH CARE

# CHALLENGES

PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN ELKO SHARED THE FOLLOWING BARRIERS TO BASIC MEDICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE:

- COST OF MEDICAL CARE/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE
- LACK OF PROVIDERS AND LACK OF PROVIDERS WHO ACCEPT MEDICARE AND MEDICAID
- QUALITY OF CARE
- TIMELINESS OF APPOINTMENTS (9 MONTH WAITING LIST FOR MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT)

# CHALLENGES

- SHORTAGE OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS
- SHORTAGE OF CHRONIC PAIN MANAGEMENT RESOURCES
- WEATHER
- REMOTE LOCATION – NO GREYHOUND!
- STATE LICENSING BOARDS
- TOTAL STAFF OF 45
- EXECUTIVE STAFF OF 2
- NOT AN INTEGRATED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM
- HAD TO HIRE 90% OF OUR PROFESSIONAL MENTAL HEALTH STAFF FROM OUT OF STATE



# **INNOVATIONS WHICH HELPED VITALITY SUCCEED**

- **PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE OF NEVADA**
- **INTRODUCTION OF OFFICE IN A BOX**
- **HIRED A TALENT HEADHUNTER TO SEARCH AROUND THE COUNTRY FOR QUALIFIED PEOPLE**
- **WORKED WITH THE STATE LEGISLATORS, STATE OFFICIALS AND STATE LICENSING BOARDS TO EXPEDITE APPLICATIONS**
- **OFFERED MOVING ALLOWANCES**
- **ENHANCED SALARIES AND BENEFITS**
- **OFFERED INCENTIVE BONUS PAYMENTS**
- **EXPANDED TELEMED AND TELEHEALTH SERVICES**
- **BECAME A QUALIFIED SITE FOR STATE STUDENT LOAN PAYBACK**
- **BECAME A BOARD CERTIFIED TRAINING SITE FOR LCSW INTERNS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS – WE ARE NOW GROWING OUR OWN!!!**

# RESULTS

- **JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018**
  - **1,009 CONSUMERS ADMITTED TO SERVICES**
  - **11,841 UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED**
  - **OVER 23% OF THE POPULATION IS BELOW THE AGE OF 17 WITH THE YOUNGEST CONSUMER BEING 3 YEARS OLD**
  - **51.14% FEMALE CONSUMERS**
  - **48.86% MALE CONSUMERS**

**NO WAIT LIST!!!**

- **WE DID THAT!!!**



**THANK YOU**

**ESTER M QUILICI, LADC, SCADCI, NCACII,  
CEAP, SAP**

**CEO/COO**

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## **VITALITY INTEGRATED PROGRAMS**

**A PRACTICE WITHOUT WALLS**

### **TEEN ANGER MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP**

Do you, your teen or a teen you know, struggle with controlling angry feelings? Is communicating with others difficult, especially parents and teachers? Does anger become overwhelming to the point of feeling like or actually throwing things, punching things, and/or getting physical with someone else? Do the consequences of these behaviors include repeated groundings and/or detentions because of your, (his/her), temper?

If any of this sounds familiar our interactive 12-Session Anger Management Workshop is for you, your teen or a teen you know. Learn what anger triggers are, and the skills to switch them off. Learn how to read physical responses and techniques for calming the overwhelming emotion which results in out-of-control behaviors, and many more skills for managing anger.

**Thursdays**  
**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**Vitality Integrated Programs**  
**215 Bluffs Avenue, Ste 200**  
**Elko, Nevada 89801**

**775-777-8477**

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**Help us help you or a  
teen you know build  
healthy habits for a  
positive future**

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**We accept Medicaid, HSA, Visa,  
Mastercard, Checks, and Cash**

**\$50 per Workshop  
\$500.00 paid in advance  
Must attend all 12 Workshops to receive a  
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Offering more by utilizing VIP Service in a Practice Without Walls

Providing a connection to care is easy when you utilize or refer to Vitality Integrated Programs. We offer clinical, outpatient, and inpatient services as well as connections to transitional housing. Although, we primarily serve Elko County we partner for your VIP care in Battle Mountain, Winnemucca, Reno, Carson City, and Las Vegas. Whatever your health care consumer needs in terms of behavioral health (Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders) Vitality Integrated Programs can help. - We can do that!!

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24-HR Crisis Intervention Line  
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Medication-Assisted Therapy  
Telemedicine Management  
Child Medication Management  
Basic Skills Training/Psycho-Social Rehabilitation  
Diabetes and Other Disease Screening  
Coordination of Care  
Substance Abuse Screening Inpatient Referral  
Intensive Outpatient  
Diversion/Court Ordered Counseling  
Psychological Testing Referral  
Developmental Testing Referral  
Neuropsychological Testing Referral  
Child Psychotherapy  
Family Psychotherapy  
Group Psychotherapy  
Targeted Case Management  
Drug testing  
Disease screening  
Dietary Evaluation  
Anger Management Workshops  
Parenting Workshops  
Assertive Community Therapy



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## **VITALITY CENTER**

**Vitality Integrated Programs**

**Do you or someone you know need help with a substance abuse disorder, alcohol use disorder, and/or related mental health issues.**

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**For screening and admission please contact:**

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**(775) 738-8004**

**or**

**(775) 934-8537**

**3740 Idaho Street**

**Elko, NV 89801**

**(775) 738-2625 - FAX**

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**We Accept: Medicaid, most major insurances and major credit cards. Single case agreements are also available.**



**Licensed by the State of Nevada Public  
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- **SAPTA Certified Program with:**
- **Licensed/Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselors**
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- **Individually Assigned Targeted Case Manager**
- **24-hr Behavioral Health Technicians**
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- **Inpatient (Residential) Treatment**
- **Intensive Outpatient Treatment**
- **Medically Supported Detoxification**
- **Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT)**
- **Civil Protective Custody (CPC)**
- **Dietician Approved Nutritious Meals**
- **Evidenced Based Treatment Including:**
- **Trauma Centered Informed Therapy**
- **Individual Therapy**
- **Psychosocial Educational Groups**
- **Life-Skills Training**
- **Peer Assessment**
- **Self-Help Meetings**
- **Recreational Hours**
- **Lecture Topics include:**
- **Anger Management**
- **Communication Skills**
- **Irrational Beliefs/Thinking Errors**

**The way you think determines the way you feel, and  
the way you feel determines the way you act.**

**Rick Warren**



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# VITALITY VETERANS HOUSING PROGRAM

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FOR SCREENING AND REFERRAL to the Vitality  
Veterans Program, please contact:  
**HEALTHCARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS**  
(HCHV) at 775-324-6600, or in person at  
350 Capitol Hill, Reno, NV 89502  
OR you may call Vitality Veterans Program  
at 775-673-3800

Covered by the HCHV Grant & Per Diem Program  
No cost to the Qualified Veteran!

Do you or a veteran you know need help  
transitioning from homelessness to housed?

**WE CAN DO THAT!**

Vitality Veterans Program works with the VA  
Sierra Nevada Health Care System, Healthcare  
for Homeless Veterans (HCHV), to offer a  
transitional housing program for Homeless  
Veterans.

The goal of our program is to move you OR the  
Homeless Veteran into independent housing as  
quickly as possible.



**TRANSITIONAL  
HOUSING  
PROGRAM**



**Our staff will assist with:**

- Residential Stability
- Job Seeking Skills
- Increased Income
- Employment
- Budgeting
- Life Skills
- Education
- Physical Health
- Mental Health

**The Vitality Veterans Program is located in a 3-home campus in Sun Valley, Nevada near the Wild Creek Golf Course provides:**

- Counseling Services
- Clean, Safe Environment
- Bed & Linens
- Snacks and Professionally Prepared Meals
- Onsite Laundry Facilities
- Public Transportation Access
- Connection to VA and Other Medical Services

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## ANGER MANAGEMENT GROUP

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### *Anger Management for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clients*

Vitality Integrated Programs provides weekly court approved Anger Management classes by Licensed Clinical Therapists right here in Elko, Nevada.

Curriculum is provided by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

*Vitality provides Anger Management group interventions in a 12 session class format delivered to consumers by Nevada, board certified clinicians*

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- Session 1: Overview of Group Anger Management Treatment.
  - Session 2: Events and Cues: A Conceptual Framework for Understanding Anger.
  - Session 3: Anger Control Plans: Helping Group Members Develop a Plan for Controlling Anger.
  - Session 4: The Aggression Cycle: How to Change the Cycle.
  - Session 5: Cognitive Restructuring: The A-B-C-D Model and Thought Stopping.
  - Session 6: Review of completed sessions: Reinforcing Learned Concepts.
  - Sessions 7 & 8: Assertiveness Training and the Conflict Resolution Model: Alternatives for Expressing Anger.
  - Sessions 9 & 10: Anger and the Family: How Past Learning Can Influence Present Behavior.
  - Session 11: Review of completed Sessions: Reinforcing Learned Concepts.
  - Session 12: Closing and Graduation: Closing Exercise and Awarding of Certificates.

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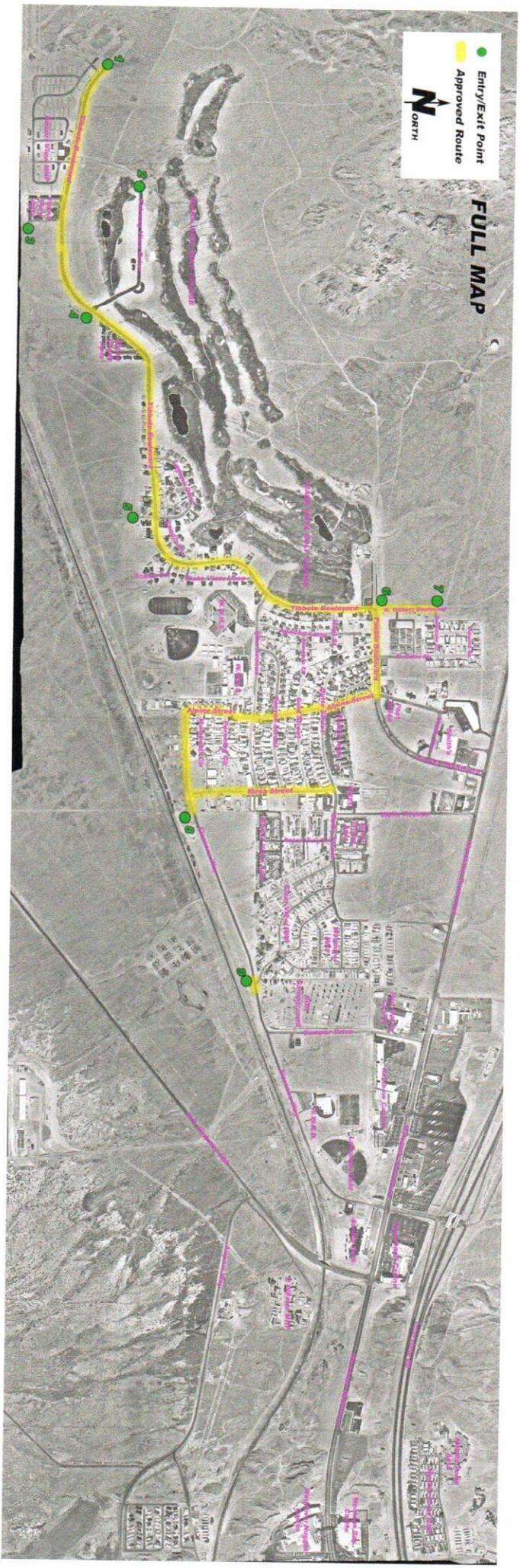
Vitality Unlimited, established in Elko in 1971, was informed yesterday through the office of US Senator Dean Heller that they have been awarded a two year \$2,000,000 a year grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). This grant will enable Vitality Unlimited to expand their already successful Elko Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) to Carson City and Lyon County Nevada.

Vitality Unlimited opened their first CCBHC, Vitality Integrated Programs – Complete Behavioral Health, in Elko on July 1, 2017 as part of a public-private partnership between Vitality Unlimited and the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The Carson City and Lyon County CCBHC will be opened by February 1, 2019. Further expansion of the CCBHC concept throughout the State of Nevada is contingent on the state legislature continuing support of the model in Medicaid.

SAMHSA anticipates awarding 25 eligible providers up to \$2,000,000 annually to increase access to and improve the quality of community behavioral health services through the expansion of CCBHCs. CCBHCs and community behavioral health providers in states that participated in the CCBHC planning year were eligible to apply. These states include: AK, CA, CO, CT, IA, IL, IN, KY, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, NC, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OK, OR, PA, RI, TX and VA.

Under the program, selected states are reimbursed through Medicaid for behavioral health treatment, services, and supports to Medicaid-eligible beneficiaries using an approved prospective payment system. To qualify for certification, CCBHCs provide core services across the lifespan, utilize evidence-based practices and health information technology, report on quality measures, and coordinate care with primary care providers and hospitals in the community. Populations to be served are adults with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance, and those with long term and serious substance use disorders, as well as others with mental illness and substance use disorders. The demonstration program reflects a broader Administration-wide strategy to create a health care system that results in better care, smarter spending, and healthier people.

For further information please contact Ester Quilici, CEO at 775-738-4158.

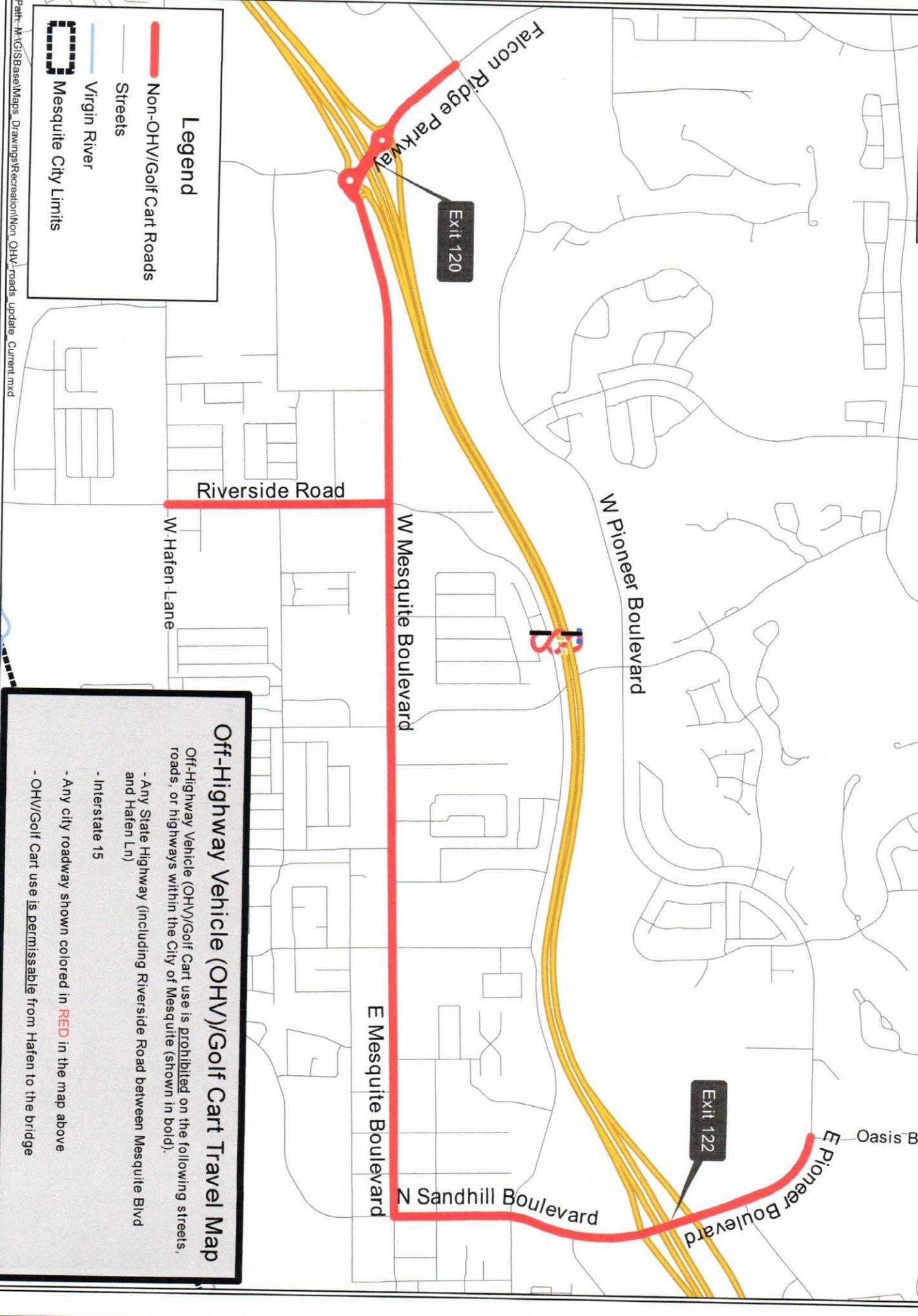


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Exhibit "1"



# Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV)/Golf Cart Travel Map



### Legend

- Non-OHV/Golf Cart Roads
- Streets
- Virgin River
- Mesquite City Limits

### Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV)/Golf Cart Travel Map

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV)/Golf Cart use is prohibited on the following streets, roads, or highways within the City of Mesquite (shown in bold).

- Any State Highway (including Riverside Road between Mesquite Blvd and Hafen Ln)
- Interstate 15
- Any city roadway shown colored in **RED** in the map above
- OHV/Golf Cart use is permissible from Hafen to the bridge