MINUTES
Special Meeting
Reno City Council
Friday, March 20, 2015 ● 3:30 PM
Reno City Council Chamber, One East First Street, Reno, NV 89501

Hillary Schieve, Mayor

Council Members:
Ward 1 – Jenny Brekhus  Ward 4 – Paul McKenzie
Ward 2 – Naomi Duerr  Ward 5 – Neoma Jardon
Ward 3 – Oscar Delgado  At-Large – David Bobzien

Agenda Items

1  Pledge of Allegiance

2  Roll Call

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The meeting was called to order at 3:43 PM.

3  Public Comment

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.

4  Approval of the Agenda  (For Possible Action) - March 20, 2015.

RESULT:  APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Paul McKenzie, Councilmember
SECONDER:  Neoma Jardon, Councilmember
AYES:  Schieve, Duerr, Delgado, McKenzie, Jardon, Bobzien
ABSENT:  Jenny Brekhus

5  Update, discussion and potential direction to staff regarding the 2015 Session of
the Nevada Legislature.  3:44 PM

Scott Gilles, Legislative Relations Program Manager, discussed the status of Assembly
Bill (AB) 88, the City's Charter Bill; a new Bill that would dissolve the Truckee
Meadows Regional Planning Agency; Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 13, which would cap property tax at 1% of market value; and AB218, which revises provisions relating to emergencies in schools.

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility fiscal affects of AB218 on the City of Reno if they must staff monthly fire drills.

It was moved by Council Member Bobzien, seconded by Council Member Jardon to take a position of neutrality on AB218.

Motion carried with Council Member Brekhus absent.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: David Bobzien, Councilmember
SECONDER: Neoma Jardon, Councilmember
AYES: Schieve, Duerr, Delgado, McKenzie, Jardon, Bobzien
ABSENT: Jenny Brekhus

Mr. Gilles discussed AB249, which makes various changes relating to collective bargaining. The Bill will be heard next week in conjunction with AB182. He said that previous Council direction was active neutrality with testimony regarding the value the City places on its relationship with its employees.

Council Member McKenzie said that the Council voted on March 13, 2015, for the Mayor or her designee to attend the hearing on AB182 and express the City's opposition to AB182. He said that due to the timing of the hearing, perhaps staff could instead read a letter from the Mayor into the record.

Mr. Gilles discussed the unions' vocal opposition to AB182, and Council Member McKenzie stated that the City does not support the types of changes proposed by AB182.

Council Member Bobzien stated that his understanding of the Legislative Operations Plan the Council adopted would have the City oppose AB182.

Council Member McKenzie said that on March 13, 2015, the Council thought they had an opportunity for the Mayor or her designee to testify in Carson City regarding AB182. Since that did not occur, a letter from the Mayor stating the City's position of opposition should be presented to the Legislature, and one of the elected officials should be present during the hearing. The letter should state that the City does not support these proposed changes to collective bargaining because they interfere with our relationship with our employees. While there are some changes in AB182 that are probably palatable, the Bill
in its entirety would adversely affect our relationship with our employees and restrict us from doing things that might not stand legal muster (e.g., forbidding us from deducting dues from payroll checks).

Council Member Jardon said that there are some provisions in AB182 that are beneficial and would help the City operate and respond more efficiently and effectively in times of an economic downturn.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUERR ABSENT AT 4:09 P.M.

Council Member Delgado discussed the possible strategic value of remaining neutral on AB182 rather than weighing in on the issue now.

Council Member Bobzien stated that the City of Reno does not yet know the tone of the letter that Las Vegas Mayor Goodman is writing with respect to AB182. It would be valuable, he said, for the five larger municipalities to communicate their views on this and other issues, and weigh in on them together rather than separately. Mr. Bobzien said that AB182 is likely to pass regardless of what the City does.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUERR PRESENT AT 4:16 P.M.

Discussion ensued regarding soft opposition and how it can serve to perturb a Bill's sponsors. The need to take a stand in opposition to AB182 rather than signing in as neutral now and in opposition to the Bill later was also discussed.

Mayor Schieve offered to schedule weekly conference calls with the other Mayors to share ideas on some of the Bills.

Council Member McKenzie said that the Council should provide staff with clear direction regarding which parts of the proposed legislation they would accept or oppose.

Council Member Bobzien said that the City should sign in as being in opposition to AB182. The statement in our Legislative Operations Plan dictates that we are in opposition to this Bill. Rather than take a formal position in this situation, our existing policy covers and dictates our position. So sign in as being in opposition, he said, and note that you do not wish to speak.

Mr. Gilles discussed AB300, which creates the Office of the Inspector General in the Department of Administration. He said there seemed to be realization that the Bill as written was too heavy handed and at the most is a work in progress.
It was moved by Council Member Bobzien, seconded by Council Member McKenzie to oppose AB300 and direct staff to stay involved in the discussions.

Discussion ensued regarding other similar legislation and potential fiscal affects of such legislation.

Motion carried with Council Member Brekhus absent.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: David Bobzien, Councilmember
SECONDER: Paul McKenzie, Councilmember
AYES: Schieve, Duerr, Delgado, McKenzie, Jardon, Bobzien
ABSENT: Jenny Brekhus

Motion: Motion

Mr. Gilles discussed Senate Bill (SB) 276, which revises provisions governing the registration of certain medical marijuana establishments, and would add a number of dispensaries to various counties. Washoe County, he said, would be allotted five additional dispensaries, but it is not yet clear how many would be allotted to the City of Reno.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for additional medical marijuana dispensaries in Reno.

It was moved by Council Member Bobzien, seconded by Council Member Delgado to support SB276.

Motion carried with Council Member Brekhus absent.

Mr. Gilles reviewed the status of SB277, which would create the Environmental Policy Act, and its potential fiscal affects on the City of Reno. It was agreed to remain neutral on this Bill and work with the Bill's sponsors to ensure the language is tightened up.

Mr. Gilles provided information on SB348, which revises provisions governing unclaimed property; SB366, which provides cities and counties with greater flexibility in how they can use existing gasoline tax revenue; and SB 368, which revises provisions concerning elections - Ward Only voting and creation of a sixth Ward.

Mayor Schieve and Council Member Delgado discussed their support for Ward Only voting, and an unwillingness to eliminate the At-Large Council position.
Council Member Jardon stated that she supports city-wide voting and honoring the will of the voter. This issue has been on the Ballot twice, and both times 70-80% of the voters voted to continue with city-wide voting. Also, she said, Ward Only voting passed during the last Legislative Session, and was vetoed by Governor Sandoval.

Council Member Duerr stated the value of the things she learned while campaigning in the city-wide election, and the possibility of addressing the Ward Only issue during the next phase of amendments to the City's Charter.

Discussion ensued regarding taking a position in opposition to the Bill as currently written and supporting an amendment that would retain the At-Large seat and eliminate the language creating a sixth Ward, or taking a position of neutrality on the Bill.

Mr. Gilles said that the Bill's sponsor seemed to be more concerned about the Ward Only voting issue than the creation of a sixth Ward, and suggested that the Council remain neutral on SB368 while he worked to determine if the sponsor would be amenable to an amendment with respect to the At-Large issue. He said that he would return next Wednesday or Friday with more specific information.

Mr. Gilles discussed SB312, the current vehicle for the Reno Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) surcharge, and the Bill that would revise the RSCVA Board's membership.

Discussion ensued regarding the need to ensure that the current $2 surcharge remains in the hands of the City of Reno.

Mayor Schieve requested more information on SB266, Council Member Jardon requested information on pedestrian safety legislation, and Council Member McKenzie requested a detailed analysis of SB310 (revises provisions relating to local government financing) and SB318 (provides for the consolidation of certain fire protection districts in certain counties).

The Council agreed to remain neutral on SB144 (revises provisions governing traffic laws), and to support SB152 (makes various changes to provisions governing public safety).

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6 Public Comment
NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.

7 Adjournment (For Possible Action)

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:12 P.M.