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**NEVADA LOCAL JUSTICE REINVESTMENT**

**COORDINATING COUNCIL**

**MINUTES DRAFT**

**Date and Time:**

**August 2, 2023 1:30 PM**

**Location:**

**VIRTUAL ONLY**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Brenda Ingram  
Bryce Shields  
Clinton Zens  
Dorothy Rowley  
Eric Kern  
Erik Levin  
Elliott Sattler  
Julia Murray  
McKinzie Hilton  
Stephen Rye  
Tick Segerblom  
Denni Byrd -- Vice Chair  
Garrit Pruyt – Chair

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Demar Dahl  
Dylan Frehner  
Curtis Schlepp

**STAFF**

Executive Director, Victoria Gonzalez  
Deputy Director, Jorja Powers  
Management Analyst II, Erasmo Cosio  
Management Analyst I, Jose Sepulveda  
Administrative Assistant, Hunter Jones

## 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

**Chair Garrit Pruyt:** Thank you. I will now call to order the August 2, 2023, meeting of Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council. Good afternoon and welcome everyone. It's good to see each of you. I apologize for the state of my camera, which is not doing the best, a little hazy but it will work for today's meeting. I also want to welcome those who are viewing the meeting on the Department of Sentencing Policy's YouTube channel. This is the first meeting of our 23-25 meeting cycle. I will now ask Director Gonzalez to take the role.

**Executive Director Victoria Gonzalez:** Thank you Chair.

(ROLL CALL IS CONDUCTED BY DIRECTOR GONZALEZ; QUOROM IS MET)

## 2. Public Comment

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you. This will now take us to agenda item number two, which is going to be our first period of public comment. There are two periods of public comment for each meeting, one at the beginning of the meeting and one at the end. Members of the public have two options for submitting public comment. First, members may do so in writing by emailing the Department of Sentencing Policy at [sentencingpolicy@ndsp.nv.gov](mailto:sentencingpolicy@ndsp.nv.gov). Public comment received in writing will be provided to the Council and be included by reference in the minutes of the meeting. Members of the public who wish to testify may do so by telephone, due to time constraints, public comment is limited to two minutes. Any member of the public who exceeds the two-minute limit may submit your comments in writing to the Department of Sentencing Policy. At this time, I will ask staff to manage and direct those who wish to testify by telephone. Ms. Jones?

**Ms. Hunter Jones:** Thank you Chair. Members of the public who would like to testify by phone, press star 9 to raise your hand. When it is your turn to speak, please slowly state and spell your first and last name. We have no callers, Chair.

**Chair Pruyt:** All right, thank you. That will conclude our first period of public comment, and close out agenda item number two.

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council held on May 10, 2023**

**Chair Pruyt:** We will move agenda item number three, which is approval of minutes. Members of the Council have been provided copies of the minutes from the May 10, 2023, meeting. Right now, first, are there any edits, comments or corrections that any member of the Council would like to make to the May 10th meeting minutes? So, I will now entertain a motion to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2023, meeting. Do I have a motion?

ELLIOTT SATTLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2023, MEETING

JULIA MURRAY SECONDED THE MOTION

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

**Chair Pruyt:** That will close out agenda item number three.

**4. Summary on Assembly Bill No. 388 (2023)**

**Chair Pruyt:** We will now move onto agenda item number four, which is a Summary on Assembly Bill number 388. As we know, AB 388 is the appropriation that provides the funding for the grants we will administer. Deputy Director Powers is going to walk us through the bill, which also provides some requirements regarding the reporting and specifications of spending the funds that will be provided.

**Ms. Jorja Powers:** Thank you, Chair. Good afternoon, Council. I wanted to go over a quick summary of AB 388, this is exciting legislation for us. The Nevada Local Reinvestment Coordinating Council was established as noted in the NRS 176.014, to advise the Nevada Sentencing Commission on matters related to local governments. For mostly, to identify county level programming and treatment to assist in reducing recidivism. A large part of the statute covers the duty to provide oversight of grants to further local-level involvement for agencies and organizations, providing programming and treatment leading to a reduction in recidivism. During the Legislative session, AB 388 was introduced and passed, appropriating three million dollars in general fund money to be made available to this Council for the purpose of funding grants related to reducing recidivism. The act became effective on July 1, 2023.

I wanted to go over some key dates written into the statute. Regarding reporting requirements, the agency and organizations awarded grant funds will need to submit an expenditure report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 20, 2024, detailing all grant money spent through December 1, 2024. Similarly, the final report must be submitted to the Interim Finance Committee on or before September 19, 2025, detailing all expenditures through June 30<sup>th</sup> of 2025. Other important dates are June 30<sup>th</sup> of 2025, which is the date after which no funds can be committed for expenditure, and September 19<sup>th</sup>, again, 2025, after which no money can be spent, and all remaining funds will be reverted to the general fund. The statute also allows that all books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers, or other records be made available to the Legislative Commission auditors upon request. Thank you.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you for that report. Does anyone have any questions for Deputy Director Powers? Thank you so much for that. That will close us out on agenda item number four and take us to agenda item number five.

## **5. Discussion and Potential Approval of Grant Administration Guide and Application**

**Chair Pruyt:** So, agenda item number five is the Grant Administration Guide and Application. As most of you know, who were here at our last meeting, we spent a great deal of time going through the Grant Administration Guide and Application. Obviously, this is a very important manual, as it will soon be sent out to those seeking to have grants with us. So, I know many updates were made based upon the comments and requests of those on the Council to that guide. So, the revised guide was provided to Council members to review. I'll ask Deputy Director Powers to walk through the guide again and then, we can decide if there are any additional edits that we would like included or determine if we are ready to approve it and submit it to the Sentencing Commission for final approval. I will pass the time back to Deputy Director Powers.

**Ms. Powers:** Thank you Chair. All right, I know we spent a great deal of time last time, so I'm going to summarize each section again, and we will talk about the changes that were made.

So, the first section is about the Council established in 2019 as part of justice reinvestment and the Council is statutorily required to make recommendations to the Sentencing Commission regarding grants to local

governments and non-profit organizations from the general fund. The grants must fund programs and treatment that will reduce recidivism.

Additionally, the Council is required to oversee implementation of the local grants. The Sentencing Commission is statutorily required to make data-driven recommendations regarding sentencing and correction policies, and it's required to identify costs avoided from the enactment of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative and make recommendations for reinvesting the costs avoided to provide financial support to programs and treatment that reduce recidivism. This includes recommending funding from the general fund to the Council to administer grants to fund programs and treatment that would reduce recidivism. This grant program is meant to support counties that are committed to the sustainability of strengthening responses to behavioral health needs of incarcerated persons, focusing jail and prison resources on serious and violent offenders, improving efficiency and effectiveness of community supervision, minimizing barriers to successful re-entry, all the while maintaining public safety. The funds are meant to provide support at the local level, further the goals of the justice reinvestment, and deliver data-driven results. The primary goal of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Grant Program is to fund data-driven programs and treatment that will reduce prison usage, reduce recidivism, and reduce victimization all while maintaining public safety. Grants are distributed to qualifying applicants and the following requirements apply; funds must be awarded to support programs that reduce recidivism, no less than ten percent of the funds awarded must be distributed to a non-profit organization, faith-based organization, or local agency that provides to victims of crime. Three percent of grant funds are to be used for the data-driven evaluation of the funded programs. Applicants may opt to retain these funds to conduct their own data-driven evaluations or remit the funds to the Commission and Council for larger evaluation. Matching is required for all local-level agency applicants; the purpose of matching contributions is to increase the number of resources to a program supported by grant funds and promote the sustainability of programs. Thirty percent matching funds will be required. We did add from the last meeting that in-kind service and salary matching will be considered to fulfill this matching requirement, and if a local government agency is awarded a grant, the grant agreement will identify records and documentation that must be provided and then, schedule for submission. Grant recipients must provide program information upon requests including without limitation, qualitative and quantitative progress reports, program data points, outcome measures, program

evaluations, and any other data collected. Grant recipients must also submit detailed financial reports on a regular basis -- those are the dates I told you about earlier that are written into statute-- staff will meet with the grant recipients and determine timelines for regular reporting and program updates.

Additionally, staff will provide assistance to grant recipients with the monitoring process. The funding formula, this is where there was a lot of discussion last meeting. So, the top scoring applicants from each county will be awarded full or partial funding. Any remaining funds will then be awarded to qualified submissions within the applicant pool based on scoring and need as determined by the Council funding priorities, and the Grant Review Committee scoring. If no qualified applicants remain, a second solicitation for grant applications will be initiated. The scoring matrix and priorities within the goals of the justice reinvestment will be reviewed for each future grant cycle. So, to be eligible for grant funding, you have to be a Nevada non-profit organization, faith-based organization or local governmental agency who support approved programs within the state that reduce recidivism, victimization, and maintain public safety. We did go over the allowable uses next time. Funds can be requested within the following budget categories, there weren't changes to those, I'm not going to reread that for you at this point, and also, the prohibited uses and the generally allowable that must obtain permission. So, the Grant Application, each applicant must submit an application, a scope of work, and a budget form. The review process will include an initial review of applications by the Department, and staff will identify and assist the applicant with revisions or modifications before advancing the application to the Review Committee. Department staff will organize the Grant Review Committee to review and evaluate the applications that meet requirements of the grant solicitation, decisions and/or recommendations for funding will focus on the applications adherence to the goals, priorities, preferences outlined by legislation, the Council, and the Commission Policy or the Grant Review Committee.

The rubric is on the next page, the request may be approved in whole or in part as provisional with continued funding contingent upon program performance and progress. The timeline is there. We will start filling in those dates now that we know we have money, and we can discuss that further. Again, the rubric is next, and then the awards, following award decision and receipt of any outstanding or requested items, an agreement will be issued. The agreement serves as a legal contract; it has the terms and conditions of the award. The recipients

are governed by the grant agreement and must comply. Staff may negotiate the terms of the grant agreement with a recipient; modification must be requested in writing. If they are agreed upon, if they are not agreed upon within a reasonable time as determined by staff, the Council, and the Commission, the grant award can be canceled. The grant award will be considered fully executed when all parties have signed, and the fully executed agreement will be returned to the grant recipient electronically and should be retained. Upon execution of the agreement the grant recipient will receive disbursements on a scheduled date established in the agreement. It is the role of NDSP staff, the Commission, and the Council as grant administrators to ensure that grant funds are as awarded comply with federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and guidelines, as well as the goals of the grant program. Following reasonable notice to recipients and attempts to resolve problems informally, should a recipient fail to comply funding may be suspended in whole and in part, be terminated, or sanctioned imposed. As we discussed last time, supplanting is not allowed, so all grant funding must be used to supplement existing funds and not replace funds. So, that is the Grant Guide.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you, Deputy Director Powers. So, I will open it up to the group, are there any questions, as they pertain to the Grant Guide for the Deputy Director?

**Ms. Dorothy Rowley:** I was just curious, and maybe this isn't somewhere where it would be included, but in the last meeting, were we discussing potential limits on funding that would be allocated to different resources? Like, a limit, or an agency, or a governmental agency could request, and would that be something that would be included in this, or is that something that we took out? Or we're not going to consider?

**Ms. Powers:** Yes, a great question. From looking at the meeting, it seemed that, that was something that we wanted to take out, to have a number attached to that. If you as a Council would like to change that we can absolutely rework it.

**Chair Pruyt:** Is that something you would like to have added back in?

**Ms. Rowley:** No, I was just could not quite recall what we'd settled on and where we were at. I mean, as a group if we're okay with that, that's fine. I just couldn't quite remember if that was where we were at or not. It just, you know, had been taken out. So yeah, that is fine with me.

**Chair Pruyt:** Okay, if my recollection serves, and I'm sure I'll be corrected if I am wrong, is we had concerns that people who may have larger grant requests wouldn't submit them, for fear that they may not have the opportunity to get them. We would just shepherd them through the process anyway. Obviously if every county submits to their max, then some of the larger ones won't take, but the chances of that happening every time aren't probably always there. So, we just wanted to make sure everyone would have the opportunity to submit for the projects that would best serve their county.

**Ms. Rowley:** Yeah, and that's works for me. While I'm on, I just wanted to ask another question or clarification. Under the page two of reports in monitoring process, where it details of the grant recipients are to provide the information requesting, and then it goes through all the progress reports, program data points, outcome measures, things like that. For those areas, the smaller areas, that would rely on the assistance, to pay that three percent for the assistance to help that, would it be something that is negotiated. You know, if it was awarded negotiated in the contract to say, this is what we can give you and then, you guys are going to be taking care of all that or, is there some expectation that the smaller areas would be needing to do some more in-depth data collection and things like that?

**Ms. Powers:** All of the requirements will be spelled out in each grantee's agreement, so if they choose to do the three percent then we will be very clear what that will entail and what help we will be giving them with their reporting requirements.

**Ms. Rowley:** Perfect, thank you.

**Chair Pruyt:** Are there any other questions or specifically concerns about anything that we talked about last time that we may have missed, or anything that anyone would like to see added to the Administration Guide?

**Ms. Brenda Ingram:** I just want clarification, is every county going to be eligible for, say, one-seventeenth first, and then if there are no qualifying applicants, then their one hundred and seventy-six thousand dollars or whatever that is gets allocated to other people, is it going to be divided equally amongst the counties first?

**Ms. Powers:** No, that is how I interpreted your wishes from the last meeting, was that the one seventeenth did not seem like a viable option. So, what will happen is we will accept all grant applications during the application



period and then, we will take one from each county, the top scoring application from each county and look at how much money is available and give them as much of their ask as possible. But each county will be getting a percentage of their ask. Then, if all seventeen counties don't apply then the rest of the applications will be looked at and the monies will be distributed.

**Ms. Ingram:** So, if a larger county puts in a larger request and there's not enough for the rest of us, then our asks will be reduced accordingly?

**Ms. Powers:** No, the larger counties ask will be reduced. So, that everyone gets a percentage of the money. It will not necessarily be one seventeenth, but it will be a percentage of their request.

**Ms. Ingram:** Thank you.

**Chair Pruyt:** Any additional questions or concerns?

**Vice Chair Denni Byrd:** I'm wondering since we don't have a value in there and per this discussion today if there does need to be a little bit, at least, of a line that tells what people can ask for? Maybe not the number on it but how we're looking at this, because I feel like if there's not some sort of parameter, people are left in the same boat as what was just asked of like, is there an equal one-seventeenth or how much do I dare even ask for? If they don't have a guideline to work from and I don't know how necessarily that I have the best suggestion of how to word that, that doesn't put a monetary value listed in it. I hope that makes sense.

**Chair Pruyt:** No, I think that does make sense. It's an excellent question. If we wanted to add it, we could add it even somewhere in goals based upon an appropriation pursuant to the Assembly Bill 388, you know, there's a three-million-dollar grant or there's three million dollars available to be appropriated across the seventeen counties. Would that be too vague of what you're thinking, or I mean, we don't need a five-million-dollar request from one county, that's obviously a no-go. So, if anyone has any thoughts on how to deal with that to further inform the public.

**Vice Chair Byrd:** I think I like the beginning of that with maybe just a little bit of follow-up that you know, we want to support all the counties with an appropriate ask and it will be through the process of approving grants --

I don't know how to word it, I guess -- but that we're trying to help all the counties that ask. You know that it is a distribution thing, not like first to come, first serve type of thing.

**Ms. Powers:** I'm hoping the first sentence in the funding formula helps with that. The top scoring applications from each county will be awarded full or partial funding. So, again, if you want to put a number to what they're allowed to request we can work that in, but this does that we are going to look at, or we are going to accept qualified applications from every county that applies.

**Vice Chair Byrd:** Can we bold each? I think that as soon as you read that popped out you know, the top scoring applicants from each county. I'm just saying that if, that jumped out as soon as you said it that okay, maybe it really is covered.

**Director Gonzalez:** The other thing, if I could just add, is that the rubric is really important in this, right? If like, it's almost like if you look at the formula in the funding formula. The formula is a combination of what are you asking for, does it meet the goals, and then, what is their score on the rubric because the other thing is, someone could make a request and everything looks okay as far as the program, but as far as the rubric, their application, everything, it didn't quite make that. So, it is a cross-section of information we're looking for and then, it is possible based on the information they provide that -- and what the rubric scoring is -- that, that's actually what qualifies them for partial funding versus full funding. There's multiple things that could affect their partial or full funding. It could be what's available, it could also be their score on the rubric and so, I think, to your point if you want to emphasize the each, there are different components that are going to result in their recommendation and the idea that everyone gets a fair chance at the funding.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you. Does anyone else from the Council have thoughts on this issue?

**Ms. Julia Murray:** I actually think that what Chair Pruyt proposed about having the actual grant stated in the goals is kind of important, the more I have thought it through here. The numbers aren't actually mentioned anywhere, and I think, we're sort of assuming a lot if we guess that each little potential non-profit out there might go and look up the Senate Bill and see what amount of money we're actually talking about and all the rest. I don't know that everybody has the resources to always to do that and they might otherwise fit here, and

it is the addition of like one sentence following the one you have, and I think it is something that could even if there's other support for that, I think it's something that we could even still vote to pass this at the end but, ask with the addition of that sentence. I don't want to cause any delay here, but I think it's kind of important to talk about parameters that we're working within and then, I also do agree with both Denni and Jorja on the fact that, the funding formula, if we just maybe strengthen that first sentence, it's very much there then.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you. Any other thoughts or comments?

**Vice Chair Byrd:** I just agree that putting maybe that's the number we need to put in there, is the three million because then at least they have something to wrap their brain around, and between those two, that might solve the issue. [FEED CUT OUT]

I was just saying that I think if we do add the three million in there so that value is there.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you. Is there any opposition to adding a line about having, referencing Assembly Bill 388 and the three-million-dollar total to be placed in the application, to provide a kind of a top parameter of what's to be separated amongst the counties? Any opposition to either italicizing or bolding kind of to further outline that portion in the awarding process discussed in the funding formula, for each county? All right, any other questions, comments, or concerns as it pertains to the Administration Guide? So, that will take us to the next portion. So, if we move forward with entertaining a motion to approve or I guess it would be partial approval of the Administration Guide, we will essentially have to look at two additional, I guess, parts of it. So, if the Council would like today, we can move forward with a partial approval noting that there are the two additions that there is no opposition to today, we can move to entertain a motion on that. Unless there is any opposition regarding that? Is there a motion to the approval of the Administration Guide to include the two proposed amendments that we have discussed here today?

JULIA MURRAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE GRANT ADMINISTRATION GUIDE TO INCLUDE THE TWO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

DENNI BYRD SECONDED THE MOTION

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you, all. That now closes agenda item number five.

## **6. Discussion of Potential Topics and Dates for Future Meetings**

**Chair Pruyt:** Takes us to agenda item number six, which is the Discussion of Potential Topics and Dates for Future Meetings. The dates for our meetings for the rest of the year is provided in the agenda. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2023. Our staff is currently working on topics and items for discussion at our next meeting but if anyone has any proposed topics they would like to discuss now, we would be very happy to hear those that we can ensure that everything is properly included in our next meeting. Are there any proposals for topics that we want to make sure we include in our next meeting?

**Vice Chair Byrd:** Do we need to add or make sure that all counties have identified or re-upped somebody as a member of this Committee in response to the request from the County Managers and County Commissioners?

**Ms. Powers:** We have reached out to everyone. We have nudged a bit. There are many counties whose Commission meetings have not aligned with this first meeting, so as soon as they have their meeting and elect the person, we will be getting those names and they will be added to the Council.

**Vice Chair Byrd:** Maybe you'll address this, so it doesn't need to be an agenda item. I guess I'm just looking because historically we have had a struggle to fill a couple of those spots and seats. So, I didn't want if we needed to leave it on the agenda to make sure it's full, I was just suggesting it but, maybe after all the meetings happen and the seats are filled, maybe it's a non-issue.

**Ms. Powers:** I can definitely update you all at each meeting to where we are with filling the positions.

**Director Gonzalez:** So, just to follow up on that, so actually Vice Chair, so we already have Steve Rye here, who's new, and he was just appointed. There are a few members here today who have already been reappointed by their County and so yeah, like Deputy Director Powers said we can provide you a list of exactly who's been reappointed or who we're still waiting on, but I'll say based on the first time we did this, the counties are very communicative and I'm sure the three million dollars helps a little bit but, also I will credit this Council for the work you did the last two years. It's really shown the boards of county commissioners what type

of individual we're looking for to appoint to the Council and so, I will go ahead and be willing to say the odds of getting everybody appointed, we're not going to have any challenges. I will say Assistant Sheriff Kern was appointed from Storey County and I know that was one our challenges, but he is in it, and I really appreciate him already coming to the first two meetings and then again, like other counties where we have vacancies, it's a little tricky to get them on the agendas but yeah, I will say I anticipate with the work we are doing internally, and what Deputy Director Powers has set up as a procedure for appointing everybody, we're on track I think to keep everybody in place. I will say it's indicative by the amazing quorum that we have today as well. Then, the other thing I wanted to mention, if I could Chair, is the next steps for the guide, just so the Council's aware of what to expect. So, the guide now will be forwarded to the Sentencing Commission for approval and once we have that approval, then we will start putting timelines together for soliciting applications and for organizing the Grant Committee and start getting that information together and solicit grants or individuals or entities for applying for the grants and so, we work on those timelines. Its possible, that the November meeting could get rescheduled to help align with those timelines to make sure this Council can conduct its work in a timely manner in getting either application approved and recommended and/or recommended funding so we want to get that money moving as soon as possible. So just so you know, staff will keep you updated about the progress of that and then, we will also let you know when the Grant Administration Guide is before the Sentencing Commission, so we can be ready for that in case they do send any feedback back to the Council as far as additional changes. To make sure so just so the Council knows what the next steps are for getting these grants up and running.

**Chair Pruyt:** Director, thank you so much. So, our next meeting is going to be quite busy, there's going to be a lot of things to go over. Are there any other items of concern of the Council that we would like to have on our meeting or any specific questions about things that may be in our next meeting?

**Ms. Murray:** I was just sort of looking at this and thinking, I don't know that we necessarily voted on the Grant Application, and I think we intended too. So, if when we close this agenda item if we could maybe move back to item six? I don't know if that's permissible or if there's a way to reopen but I don't want to have another meeting just to have a vote on a document.

**Chair Pruyt:** I greatly appreciate that. Are there any other items for future meetings before we hop back? That would close up agenda item six and we are going to jump back to take a look at our application.

## 5. Discussion and Potential Approval of Grant Administration Guide and Application

**Chair Pruyt:** Everyone should have received an updated copy of that application and reopening of that portion of item number five. Are there any questions, comments, or concerns regarding Grant Application that would like to be raised today? Is there a motion to approve the Grant Application for submission to the Sentencing Commission?

JULIA MURRAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE GRANT APPLICATION

DOROTHY ROWLEY SECONDED THE MOTION

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

**Chair Pruyt:** All right, that will reclose agenda item number five, and thank you Ms. Murray from keeping us from doing an extra meeting for missing a technical piece of that.

## 7. Public Comment

**Chair Pruyt:** So, that will take us down to item number seven, which is our second period of public comment, and just as we did in the first period of public comment. Those who wish to testify may do so by telephone. Public comment is generally limited to two minutes, any members of the public that exceed the two-minute limit may submit their written testimony in writing to the Department of Sentencing Policy at [sentencingpolicy@nds.nv.gov](mailto:sentencingpolicy@nds.nv.gov). At this time, I will ask staff to manage direct those who wish to testify. Ms. Jones?

**Ms. Jones:** Thank you Chair. Looks like we have no callers.

**Vice Chair Bryd:** Chair Pruyt? As members, are we allowed to make public comments? I know at other meetings we've had members make a public comment if it's a comment not related to the agenda item.

**Chair Pruyt:** I don't have any objection. Go ahead and provide some comment.

**Vice Chair Bryd:** I just think it's important and I hope everybody's saw Victoria's announcement in our email, and I want to thank her for all she has done on this committee because she's really been a strength and a guide for us, and I truly appreciate it. This is Denni Byrd for the record.

**Chair Pruyt:** Thank you Denni. Are there any other persons desiring to make public comment? Within the meeting? All right, I will pass it back to Ms. Jones then.

**Ms. Jones:** Looks like we still have no callers, Chair.

**Chair Pruyt:** All right, thank you so much. That will conclude our final period of public comment, and this will take us to agenda item number eight.

## **8. Adjournment**

**Chair Pruyt:** I wanted to thank everyone for all their work and especially Director Gonzalez for all the work she did to get us on track and help us figure out what we were to do with this great council given that we only have a few provisions and statutes from which to work from. So, a very big thank you to her. I look forward to our next meeting. We have a lot of work to get done at our next meeting to really get this underway. I look forward to seeing each of you and our meeting is now adjourned.