



Moapa Town Advisory Board
Marley P. Robinson Justice Court and Community Center

1340 E. Highway 168

Moapa, NV. 89025

August 30, 2022

7:00pm

AGENDA

Note:

- Items on the agenda may be taken out of order.
- The Board/Council may combine two (2) or more agenda items for consideration.
- The Board/Council may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item at any time.
- No action may be taken on any matter not listed on the posted agenda.
- All planning and zoning matters heard at this meeting are forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners' Zoning Commission (BCC) or the Clark County Planning Commission (PC) for final action.
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- Supporting material provided to Board/Council members for this meeting may be requested from Amelia Smith at 702-704-4572.
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 - Supporting material is/will be available on the County's website at <https://clarkcountynv.gov/MoapaTAB>

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 Blake Stratton, Vice Chairperson
 Lola Egan
 Cally Wade

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I. Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call

II. Public Comment- This is a period devoted to comments by the general public about items on this agenda. No discussion, action, or vote may be taken on this agenda item. You will be afforded the opportunity to speak on individual Public Hearing Items at the time they are presented. If you wish to speak to the Board/Council about items within its jurisdiction but not appearing on this agenda, you must wait until the "Comments by the General Public" period listed at the end of this agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, if applicable, clearly state your name and address and please **spell** your last name for the record. If any member of the

Board/Council wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairperson or the Board/Council by majority vote.

- III. Approval of Minutes for May 31, 2022. (For possible action)
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for August 30, 2022 and Hold, Combine, or Delete any Items. (For possible action)
- V. Informational Items
 - 1. A discussion and community input with the Fines and Justice Center (FFJC) regarding experiences with fines and fees stemming from traffic and misdemeanor tickets. (For discussion only)
- VI. Planning and Zoning

NONE
- VII. General Business
 - 1. Appoint Moapa Town Advisory Board designee Josh Jensen to the Moapa Valley Fire Protection District to complete the term vacated by Kirby May for the remainder of a two-year term ending 2/1/23 (for possible action)
 - 2. Review FY2022 budget request(s) and take public input regarding suggestions for FY2024 budget request(s) (for possible action)
- VIII. Comments by the General Public- A period devoted to comments by the general public about matters relevant to the Board/Council's jurisdiction will be held. No vote may be taken on a matter not listed on the posted agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, if applicable, clearly state your name and address and please **spell** your last name for the record. If any member of the Board/Council wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairperson or the Board/Council by majority vote.
- IX. Next Meeting Date: September 27, 2022.
- X. Adjournment.

POSTING LOCATIONS: This meeting was legally noticed and posted at the following locations:
Marley P. Robinson Justice Court and Community Center - 1340 E. Highway 168 Moapa, NV. 89025
<https://notice.nv.gov>



Moapa Town Advisory Board

May 31, 2022

MINUTES

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| Board Members: | Jamie Shakespear - Chairperson - PRESENT Blake Stratton - Vice Chairperson - PRESENT | Cally Wade - PRESENT Lola Egan - PRESENT |
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- I. Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- II. Public Comment
None

- III. Approval of January 25, 2022 Minutes
Moved by: Lola Egan
Action: Approved
Vote: 4-0/ Unanimous

- IV. Approval of Agenda for May 31, 2022
Moved by: Cally Wade
Action: Approved
Vote: 4-0/Unanimous

- V. Informational Items
None

VI. Planning & Zoning

06/07/22 PC

1. **UC-22-0209-USA:**

USE PERMITS for the following: **1)** public utility structures (a 69 kV overhead transmission line) with associated equipment; and **2)** increased height for public utility structures.

DESIGN REVIEW for proposed public utility structures (a 69 kV overhead transmission line) with associated equipment in an R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone. Generally located on the east and west sides of Meadow Valley Road, 2,600 feet north of State Route 168 within Northeast County Planning Area. MK/rk/jo (For possible action)

Moved by: Blake Stratton

Action: Approved with condition that the tie in line be exclusive to the 69 KV transmission line Tamarak Solar LLC project and that locals receive priority in the hiring process

Vote: 4-0/ Unanimous

Several residents were present in opposition

VII. General Business

None

VIII. Public Comment

Resident - asked that a road marker be added on Warm Springs Rd. on the south side of the road. The resident asked that a parking issue be addressed near the swimming area. The road is narrow and makes it difficult for traffic to pass.

Shari Lyman- requested that Terrible Herbst address the light pollution for I-15 traffic and shared a concern regarding law enforcement response time.

IX. Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting will be June 14, 2022

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57p.m.



**FINES & FEES
JUSTICE
CENTER**



Who We Are

The only organization in the country devoted exclusively to the problem of fines and fees.

FFJC's strategy is comprised of three key components:
Information, Advocacy, Collaboration



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Reform is Bipartisan



SPLC
Southern Poverty
Law Center



AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION



AMERICANS FOR
PROSPERITY.

Information: <https://finesandfeesjusticecenter.org/clearinghouse/>

The Clearinghouse

FFJC's online Clearinghouse is a library of information about efforts to reform fines and fees in the legal system. The "recommended" designation signifies content we believe either constitutes or facilitates meaningful reform.

Enter Search Keywords



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342 results

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Relevance

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LEGISLATION



Florida SB 1328/HB 903: Fines and Fees [Driver's license suspension]

This bill would end driver's license suspensions for unpaid fines and fees in Florida and allow people who owe fines and fees to make reasonable installment payments.

Driver's License Suspension, Payment Plans | Florida

January 17, 2020

CONTENT TYPE



TOPICS



JURISDICTIONS





Goals

Eliminate Fees associated with the criminal justice system, make fines more equitable and proportionate to a person's ability to pay.

Goals:



Definitions

FINES:

Monetary sanctions imposed as punishment for violating the law – either criminal or civil.

FEES:

Costs, assessments, and surcharges imposed to access services or fund the justice system or other government services.

What is the difference between fines and fees and why does this matter?

Fees

- Fees by contrast, are intended to raise revenue.
- Fees are essentially taxes that attach to every conviction. These are regressive taxes disproportionately imposed on those who can least afford them.
- They are present in EVERY part of the criminal justice process-even pre-adjudication.
- Using fee and fine revenues to fund the justice system can create perverse incentives with the potential to distort the fair administration of justice.
- When criminal courts become responsible for their own financing, they may prioritize the imposition of significant fee and fine amounts and dedicated substantial staff to collecting these sums



Example of Ticket with Fines and Fees

Traffic Ticket

Base Fine
\$399

Administrative Assessment \$95

Genetic Marker Fee \$3

Construct. Assessment \$10

Specialty Court Fee \$7

Transaction Fee \$4

Total:
\$518

12/2019

English | Español

Las Vegas Municipal Court
At the Regional Justice Center
200 Lewis Ave, P.O. Box 3950
Las Vegas, Nevada 89127

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 3950
Las Vegas, NV 89127
www.lasvegasnevada.gov
Phone: 38-Court (382-6878) \$ 514.00

12/16/2019 7:37 PM
WB_UI

19-WB_SN-050420

Payment Receipt

Defendant: ~~XX~~

History Number: 100099407

B00442686A PROHIB PARK GEN-
SIDEWALK/DRIVEWAY/ETC
Plea: Nolo
Dept: 19 Floor: 1 Judge: LEUNG

399.00
Fine

95.00

7.00

10.00
Administrative Assessment
3.00
Specialty Court Program

Assess

Card: \$514.00 CC Ref # AF0A2B138C14

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Transaction Assessment: \$4.00 Ref #

Please print a copy of this receipt for your records.

Return to Cases List

Receipt is subject to final audit

Consequences for Nonpayment

It Costs More:

- Traffic fines often double
- Interest accrues
- Collection costs imposed

Private Probation:

- Additional, often monthly, fees

Loss of Voting Rights

Prolonged Justice Involvement

Debtor's Prisons:

- Arrest warrants
- Incarceration

Civil Judgments





Why is this happening:

- Ability of local government to raise revenue
- Aversion to taxes

Federal and State Government Starve Cities and Counties of Revenue

- 1977-2017- Average federal and state support for localities cut from 31% to 16%
- States including NV pass property tax caps
- 2008 Recession

History of Nevada's Administrative Assessment

- Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968
- the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) block grants to help states to improve their criminal justice systems.
- From the late 1960s to 1982 costs for criminal justice system, including the courts, in Nevada were funded by these LEAA dollars.
- 1980's recession resulted in \$40 billion cut from the 1982 budget.
- LEAA and its grants eliminated.
- During the 1983 Session the Nevada Legislature replaced the LEAA dollars by implementing administrative assessments to fund criminal justice programs; including the courts.
- Since its inception, the administrative assessment has increased 8 times.

Costs to Individuals and Communities

2018 Alabama Appleseed Survey (1,000+ responses):

- More than 8 in 10 **gave up necessities** like rent, food, medical bills, car payments, and child support to pay their court debt.
- About 45 percent of those surveyed had lost their licenses because they were unable to pay their court debt.
- Nearly half said they had been **jailed for failure to pay** court debt.

UNDER PRESSURE

How fines and fees hurt people, undermine public safety, and drive Alabama's racial wealth divide



Solutions and Reform: 81st Legislative Session

- **AB116:** Decriminalize Minor Traffic Violations
 - Makes minor traffic violations civil infractions
 - Ends warrants & incarceration for nonpayment of fines and fees
 - Effective January 1, 2023-Jurisdictions can implement sooner
- **SB219:** Eliminate driver's license suspensions for nonpayment of fines and fees
 - Automatically reinstates previously suspended driver's licenses
 - Eliminates testing and fees for reinstatement of driver's licenses
 - Effective October 1, 2021
- Supporters: CCBC; ACLUNV; Mass Liberation Project; PLAN;

Moapa Justice Court Cases

Laughlin Justice Court serves about 1,800 residents.

Traffic citations:

2019

Total Traffic: 1,866

Traffic per 1000 residents: 1053.6

2020

Total Traffic: 1,726

Traffic per 1000 residents: 974.0

2021

Total Traffic: 1,717

Traffic per 1000 residents: 972

Other criminal charges handled by Moapa Justice Court:

- An average of just between 30 and 45 misdemeanor cases are filed a year.
- In each of the past three years reckless driving and DUI have made up the majority of cases.
- An average of about 20 felony cases are filed each year.
- Last year the most common felony charges were drug, and property crime related.

What Can You Do?

- Partner with FFJC to:
 - Spread the word about the harmful effects of fines and fees in NV.
 - Complete a short survey
 - Host community informational events
 - Share information on social media
 - Share information on your website

We want to hear from you!
What has been your
experience with fines and
fees?

Thank you for having Us!

Fines and Fees Justice Center

Website: Finesandfeesjusticecenter.org

Twitter: [@FinesandFeesJC](https://twitter.com/FinesandFeesJC)

Moapa Town Advisory Board Budget Requests: Finalized 9/28/21

Parks

1. Drinking fountains
NOTES: one near concessions and one near the rec center
2. New portable sign for events (on highway 168)
3. Add lights for both playground areas
4. Lights, American flags and 18 poles to go along highway 168 (community & seasonal flags)
5. Pickleball
6. Sand Volleyball with area to play horseshoes
7. Add lights to southeast parking lot near Rox Rd.
8. Add more soccer fields
9. More lights at the soccer fields behind parking area alongside Highway 168
10. Pave lower lot at the park by splash pad and increase the grade and parking area alongside Highway 168
11. Indoor Swimming Pool

RPM

1. Replace Gym Flooring
2. Paint exterior of Rec Center complex

Public Works

1. Repave & reengineer Sim
NOTES: This road is the only other option when flooding occurs
2. Pave Dude Rd
3. Pave Barlow from Lawson to Rox Rd.