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1 October Memorial Committee to Meet Thursday Public Invited to Join Email List to Get Updates, Offer Feedback

Clark County's 1 October Memorial Committee will meet at **9 a.m.** on **Thursday, Nov. 17**, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center located at 500 S. Grand Central Parkway in downtown Las Vegas.

The meeting can be viewed live on Clark County Television (CCTV) and online at www.youtube.com/user/ClarkCountyNV/live or the committee's Facebook page @1OctoberMemorial. The meeting agenda is posted on the 1 October Memorial pages of the County's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.gov/1OctoberMemorial and includes information to participate remotely using WebEx.

The Committee will review and identify evaluation priorities for selecting up to five professional design teams that will be invited to develop formal proposals for a 1 October memorial including design concept, model and budget. The teams will be chosen from those that participated in the Call for Qualifications from professional RFQ teams that ended Oct. 31. The Committee plans to introduce the teams, comprised of professional designers, engineers and a Nevada-licensed architect, chosen through the process at its meeting on Jan. 25, 2023. The teams also will meet with community stakeholder groups that week.

"This is an exciting new phase of our memorial development process," said Committee Chairman Tennille Pereira, who also serves as director of the County's Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. "We look forward to selecting professional teams that will work to develop design concepts for the memorial. Their work will include reviewing the many wonderful submissions we received through our Call for Creative Expressions. There also will be opportunities for the public to continue to participate in this process."

In July, the committee and County leaders kicked off the first phase of an 18-month process to gather ideas for a memorial from the public and professionals that will result in a formal recommendation for a project to the County Commission in the summer of 2023. The goal is to create a memorial that remembers those who perished in the shooting that occurred at the Route 91 festival on Oct. 1, 2017, honors the survivors, first responders and everyday heroes who inspired the nation with their bravery, and celebrates the resiliency and compassion of our community. Submissions received from the public through the Call for Creative Expressions pathway of participation can be seen in the gallery on the committee's website.

In addition to Pereira, members of the 1 October Memorial Committee include Karessa Royce, a 1 October survivor, serving as Vice Chairman; Mynda Smith, the sister of 1 October Victim Neysa Tonks; Kelly McMahill, a deputy chief for the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department; architect Dr. Robert Fielden, who established the UNLV School of Architecture; Rebecca Holden, public art project manager for the City of Las

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Vegas Office of Cultural Affairs; and Harold Bradford, a local artist. Consultant Punam Mathur facilitates committee meetings, while staff from Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department and other departments support the group's activities.

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