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1 October Memorial Committee to Meet April 25 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 **Monday, April 25**, in the Clark County Commission Chambers at the Clark County Government Center located at 500 Grand Central Parkway in downtown Las Vegas.

The Committee recently developed and presented to the Clark County Commission a three-phase process for creating a permanent memorial that remembers those who perished in the event of 1 October 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. The process will unfold over the course of several months and result in an eventual recommendation for a project to be submitted to the County Commission next year. The first phase will launch calls for three pathways for participation in which the public and professionals can get involved.

1. **A Call for Evaluators:** to serve on a jury to evaluate formal Request for Qualifications (RFQs) from professional design teams interested in participating in the process. Seven evaluators will be selected, along with seven alternates. The makeup of the panel would consist of a family member of a victim, a survivor of the shooting, a first responder, a representative from Clark County's Real Property Management Department, and experts in architecture, engineering, art history or similar disciplines. Applicants not selected to serve as evaluators may later be invited to participate in stakeholder focus groups with up to five RFQ finalists selected to design a memorial concept and model in the second phase of the process.
2. **A Request for Qualifications (RFQ):** from professional artists and design teams interested in submitting a proposed concept for a memorial.
3. **A Call for Creative Expression:** which will allow members of the public and artists and designers not part of a professional design team to submit ideas for a memorial project. Clark County will be developing an online database for public viewing of submissions. RFQ finalists will be encouraged to review and include ideas and artists presented through database submissions as they develop their proposals to be unveiled to the public in the third phase of the process.

At Monday's meeting, the Committee will review initial drafts of narratives that provide an overview of the overall project and process, and guidelines specific to the Call for Creative Expression. "It is very important to our committee members that anyone with a design idea on their heart or in their mind will have an opportunity to be seen and heard as part of this process," said Committee Chairman Tennille Pereira, who also serves as director of the County's Vegas Strong Resiliency Center. "The Call for Creative Expression has been designed as a user-friendly way for people to share their ideas. We are looking forward to launching early this summer."

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The public may watch Wednesday's 1 October Memorial Committee meeting live on Clark County Television (CCTV), online at www.youtube.com/user/ClarkCountyNV/live, or the committee's Facebook page @1OctoberMemorial. The meeting agenda is posted online at <https://tinyurl.com/2wmexwmp> on the 1 October Memorial pages of the County's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.gov/1OctoberMemorial. Committee members and County staff will host the meeting on WebEx, which is accessible by computer and telephone via information provided in the online agenda.

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 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 will support the group's activities.

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