MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

THE NEVADA INTERAGENCY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS TO HOUSING

October 29, 2026

The Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing was called to order by Chair Tim Robb at 1:05 p.m. on Thursday, October 29, 2026. The meeting was video conferenced via Microsoft Teams. This meeting is being conducted virtually. This meeting was noticed in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law and posted at the locations listed on the agenda, as well as on https://dss.nv.gov/Home/Features/Public-Information/ the Division of Social Services website.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Tim Robb, Director – GSD, BRK Nevada LLC

Robert Thompson, Administrator, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

Stephen Aichroth, Administrator, Nevada Housing Division

Emily Testwuide, Deputy Director, Nevada Department of Corrections

Colonel Mary Devine, Director, Nevada Department of Veterans Services

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dina Neal, Senator, Nevada

Max Carter, Assemblyman, Nevada

Judge Kathleen Delaney, Eight Judicial District Court, Nevada

Judge Mike Montero, Sixth Judicial District Court, Nevada

Sheriff Jerry Allen, Pershing County, Nevada

Doctor Annie Wilson, HOPE Liaison, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

Lieutenant Shatawna Daniel, Washoe County, Nevada

Doctor Catrina Grigsby-Thedford, Governor appointed member who has experienced homelessness

OTHERS PRESENT:

Nicole Fritz, Social Services Manager, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

Carlea Freeman, Supervisor I, Family Specialist, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

Abigail Bagolor, Administrative Assistant, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

Devan King, Administrative Assistant, Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Social Services

Kim Jefferies, Presenter, Campus for Hope Foundation

Agenda Item I. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call

Abigail Bagolor:
Good afternoon and welcome to the Governor's Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing. This meeting has been publicly noticed and in compliance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law. Chair Tim Robb will call the meeting to order.

Chair Tim Robb:
Thank you so much. Good afternoon, everyone. It is 1:05 p.m. on October 29, 2026. I'd like to call this meeting of the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing to order. Will you please call the roll?

[Roll Call. We Do Not Have Quorum.]

Chair Tim Robb:
I was recently made aware by an individual who also chairs several boards and commissions that we may proceed with public comment and information items only, but we cannot take any action on agenda item. For that reason, we will move forward with the information items so that we can hear the presentations and have them entered into the record. Unless there are any concerns from the Council members who are present, we will proceed with public comment. Hearing no objections, we will move to item number two, which is public comment.

Agenda Item II. [General Public Comments]

Chair Tim Robb:
No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to three minutes at the discretion of the chair. If you are making a public comment via phone, please call 1-775-321-6111 and the meeting ID is 593 033 535 followed by pound. We are now open for public comment. Please unmute yourself and state your name for the Council. Hearing none, Abigail, do we have written public comments?

Abigail Bagolor:
Yes, two written public comments were received. All written public comments will be included in the meeting minutes and posted online.

Written Public Comment Submitted by Michael Gilbert:
Members of the Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written public comment concerning the September 16 submission from Friends In Service Helping regarding homelessness and supportive housing in northeastern Nevada.

I live near the location FISH had proposed for its Northeastern Nevada Supportive Housing Initiative at 1349 Idaho Street in Elko. I understand that the specific project at that property is no longer moving forward after the anticipated grant funding did not materialize and the property moved to another buyer.

I want to emphasize that I support efforts to help people experiencing homelessness and housing instability. My concern throughout this process has been about how particular projects are located, how nearby communities are informed, and whether meaningful site-specific review occurs before major land-use decisions are effectively settled.

Through this experience, I learned that NRS 278.02071 changed the local review process for certain qualifying multifamily developments on commercially zoned property. City of Elko officials explained that, before this change, a proposal of this nature could have been subject to Planning Department analysis, Planning Commission hearings, public comment, and possible City Council review.

I respectfully encourage the Council, when considering supportive-housing policy and future development in rural Nevada, to recognize the importance of early community engagement, clear disclosure of proposed locations and operating plans, coordination with local governments, and meaningful consideration of site-specific impacts.

Supportive housing and meaningful community participation do not have to be opposing goals. I believe both can be preserved when projects are developed transparently and local communities retain a meaningful role in decisions affecting particular locations.

I appreciate the Council considering FISH's concerns about rural homelessness, and I hope the discussion also considers the perspective of residents and local governments who may be directly affected by future projects.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Michael Gilbert
Elko, Nevada

Written Public Comment Submitted by Jeff Church:
Public Comment: Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing

A few comments. FYI, I ran a 501c3 Homeless Center years ago- Reno's first 24-7-365 facility and I ran the Reno Police Homeless Program and have been involved ever since and even toured the SW looking at options.

First, please face reality and be aware of the current administration position on homelessness and Executive Orders. That includes: "Takes Action to End Crime and Disorder on America's Streets, The White House, July 24, 2025. That includes "… remove vagrant individuals from our streets, redirecting federal resources toward programs that tackle substance abuse and returning to the acute necessity of civil commitment." And "… prioritize grants for states and municipalities that enforce prohibitions on open illicit drug use, urban camping and loitering, … "

In my opinion they nail it when they say: "The overwhelming majority of these individuals are addicted to drugs, have a mental health disorder, or both."

Moving on: I point out that the so called "2026 Annual Nevada Statewide Conference on Addressing Homelessness." In fact declined to allow alternative and opposing ideas and proposals. Put simply, consistent with above, it's not housing nor is it jobs; it is mental illness and addiction and a humane society does not ignore those in need.

To see some opposing views I suggest you look at a well backed concept, "Sunbreak Ranch" in San Diego. Likewise you may want to look at RenoTaxRevolt.com or HomelessSolutionsUSA.org .

Homelessness to Housing is accomplished via addressing mental illness and addiction. I'd love to present at one of your meetings.

Sincerely,
Jeff Church

Chair Tim Robb:
Thank you. Hearing and seeing no further public comment, we will close this agenda item.

Agenda Item III. [For Information Only – Presentation from Campus for Hope Foundation – Kim Jefferies]

Kim Jefferies:
Good afternoon. I am the CEO of Campus for Hope. Thank you so much for having me. I am honored to present to this group especially because it is from homeless to housing, which the campus is designed to do. The bipartisan support for this project through the 2023 and 2025 legislation made this possible. It has been an idea since 2023, and now it's coming to life. We have an aerial conceptual site plan. Most communities have low barrier shelter and housing opportunities that work for a significant percentage of people. However, there are not many resources in the middle of the system that give people the time and space they need to address the underlying causes that led to their homelessness. At Campus for Hope, our goal is to give individuals and families with that time and space so they can address those underlying causes and ultimately end their homelessness. We want to do it in a way that brings dignity and respect to individuals. I know I'm preaching to the choir on this call, but many people look at someone experiencing homelessness and may say, what is wrong with you, and how do we fix you? It's important for us that we look at it in a trauma-informed way. Instead, we should ask, what has happened to you? Or what experiences have you had and how can we support you to move beyond those? Those reflects our core values, honoring, connecting, uplifting, and then integrating people into the community. We are successfully moving through in some buildings of the campus. Throughout both the physical aspects of the campus and our programming design, our focus is on meeting people where they are. We do this by providing opportunities through trauma-informed design and programming. Our approach also includes person-centered, recovery-oriented programming, strength-based case management, and other best practices in the industry. The goal is to give people time to arrive, transition out of the survival mode they may have been in while living on the streets and truly decompress. From there, they will have the opportunity to re-envision and re-dream for their lives as they see what is available to them on the singular campus. Those of us who work with this population know that may times people who are experiencing homelessness are without hope and, in some cases, have stopped believing in their own abilities. So, we have to believe in them until they start believing in themselves again. As they move into permanent housing, the goal is not simply to get permanent housing, but to ensure they can sustain that housing. The campus is based on a collective impact model, with services co-located in one place. The goal is to eliminate barriers to entering and accessing services for this population. If you're a single mom, it can be very difficult to go to a location to get SNAP benefits, drop off your kids at childcare and travel somewhere else for a job interview, all in one day. It doesn't mean you don't want to do all those things, but managing childcare, taking the bus, or relying on other forms of public transportation can make it incredibly challenging. So, all of these are co-located on the campus. We've gone through an extensive RFP process and announced 40 partners that will be embedded on the campus. We will have partners from fully qualified health care centers to provide medical and behavioral health services, and substance use providers who will provide substance use treatment on the campus. We will have a variety of workforce development partners to provide opportunities including DETR, Workforce Connections, the Culinary Academy, among others. Educational supports are from GED classes provided by CSN, high school equivalency preparation by Catholic Charities and all legal services by Legal Aid of Southern Nevada. A significant amount of family and children's services and partners will also be embedded on the campus. As you can imagine, breaking the cycle is important to us. We don't want the kids that are experiencing homelessness, which is a trauma in itself, to end up on our campus 15 years

later. So, how do we provide them with wraparound support? We do that through parent training, behavioral health services, starting at age 6, childcare, after school care, expressive therapies, art, and all of those fun things that can move them through literacy services. Education is important. We have communities and schools embedded on the campus. Basic needs from clothing to food, dental and vision services will be on the campus as well. UNLV Dental will be providing dental services on the campus. Eye Care 4 Kids will be providing vision services for adults and children. We will also have providers who specialize in serving specific populations, including survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking. Our equine therapy program will not be embedded on the campus, but we will provide transportation to get there. UNLV will provide for many of its students. We will also have occupational and physical therapy provided by Tilton Therapy. We will have a variety of animal care services because we have a kennel, a cattery and pet areas. Noah's Animal House will be running our kennel called Paws Palace. SPCA will be chipping everybody, and CSN's veterinary program will provide all the veterinary services. So, we will have a wide array of services to address what an individual might need. Some of our partners are on this call, such as DSS, which will assist individuals with accessing benefits, and the Nevada Department of Veterans Services, which will support veterans on the campus. We are really excited to work with all of you. Much of our focus in 2026 has been on developing these partnerships. All of you have seen our site plan. One of the unique things about this campus is the residential section. Other than medical and programs that need their own space, most services are integrated into the first floor of the residential buildings. It will resemble a mixed-use residential community, with retail style services spaces on the ground floor and apartments on the upper three levels. We are mimicking that same community so people can learn how to navigate and reintegrate into the community life while on the campus. This approach will help them learn to transfer those skills when they get back out into the community. Our bed count by population reflects the largest amount is for families. That is intentional, reflecting Point-in-Time Count data showing a 15% increase in family homelessness in Southern Nevada, with approximately 1,600 people in family households experiencing homelessness on any given day. There are also more spaces for women than men based on the Housing Inventory Count and what's available. The campus is dorm-style and has special features. People will stay as long as they're making a good faith effort towards their plan for permanent housing. We anticipate that will be about nine months. What sets this apart is how we are embedding and learning from San Antonio. I came from the San Antonio campus that this is based on but that is on a foundation, and Las Vegas is different. You have to do things for this community, by this community, that benefits this community. We also learned a lot from what went well and what didn't in San Antonio. One example is how we designed the dorms. In San Antonio, the dorms have very long corridors. It would be 40 rooms sharing one set of restrooms that had 16 stalls and 16 showers on the other side. From a trauma-informed standpoint, we've moved our dorms to have safe pods because of the conflicts and challenges we had in San Antonio. They are in smaller pods of eight to ten units, each with their own restrooms and showers. This design provides privacy, as well as physical and psychological safety. Many people from this population has different experiences whether it's sexual violence or domestic violence. Being in a vulnerable state, we want to make sure they feel comfortable. Our San Antonio campus didn't have a fitness center or gym, private dining rooms and resident kiosks. It is hot in San Antonio, but our kennel wasn't indoor and didn't have space for other pets. If someone had a chinchilla or a lizard, we had to turn them away. One of the most important things from our program is the 12 months aftercare. We're

providing 12 months of case management after people are housed. As an update on our renderings, the design will feature wood-look metal cladding to create a sense of warmth. We will have curved entrances and no harsh corners to create a more welcoming environment and draw people in. The welcoming curved and open concept will be the design all throughout the campus. There will also be a lot of visibility for people walking into the space for the first time who may have some trepidation. They will be able to look through the space and see what they are about to walk into and experience. Our health and healing center will include the medical, dental, vision and behavioral health services. This center will be the public facing part of the campus. While the main campus will be secured and require everyone to pass through security before entering, the health and healing center will be located outside the secured area, providing public access to our fully qualified health care partners. The promenade is the middle portion of the campus with vein design running through it. This will be the life of the campus, with all the residential buildings are off of this. As you are coming through the welcome center, you will see the services on the ground floor and the residential dorm spaces at the upper levels. The residential entry will give people time to decompress before getting services. The social enterprise part of the campus will be located in Charleston. It includes the café which is part of our warehouse panel dining hall building. This will give people a space to work on campus if they can't work off campus and learn some skills to add to their resume. There will be a secondary entry, a gym with a fitness center and a studio as well as a medical building. The State of Nevada provided up to $100 million in matching for every dollar the private sector raised to build this facility. We have raised close to $102 million in private funds. What we are building will cost approximately $210 million and change. We have a little gap to get there but we have raised enough money to draw down the full $100 million that the State generously provided to help get this project off the ground. We have a comprehensive plan to get to the $8.9 million and reach our goal of the day one campus build out. The campus will be able to provide up to 885 occupancies on day one. As we build out the rest of the campus, we will have a capacity of 1,175. We got our early grading and utility work permit about a week and half ago and started actual construction on October 27, 2026. The vertical construction will start in December. We are sequencing the building so you will see permit submissions for different buildings over the next period. Those are the buildings that will be coming online on day one. We are still scheduled to end construction and open in the summer of 2028. July 2028 is still our timeline for opening. We're still on schedule and continuously moving forward to bring this bold idea into a reality.

Chair Tim Robb:
Thank you so much. Any questions or comments from the members of the Council?

Mary Devine:
Kim, I want to say thank you to you and your team. The Department of Veterans Services is excited to be a partner with you and to bring all of the veterans services that we can to the campus. We look forward to the many great things to come.

Kim Jefferies:
Thank you for partnering with us and for embedding on the campus. We know the veteran population here is large, and we want to ensure we honor those who have served our country. Having your team on campus, from benefits and workforce development to housing and other supportive services, is a great way to help veterans navigate the entire continuum of care from start to finish. We truly value that partnership.

Chair Tim Robb:
Thank you so much. Any additional questions or comments? Hearing none, I want to thank you Kim for coming to Nevada. Those of us who have followed this space for some time know that the San Antonio model is truly something people look to as a source of hope for their communities. Adapting it to meet the needs and aspirations of Southern Nevada will be incredible. I truly appreciate your efforts. The report on all the partners is one of the most compelling testaments to the work you do, and it will truly contribute to the broader homeless to housing conversation. I look forward to seeing this as the number one way to work through these challenges as our communities grow and as the campus is being built out. We truly appreciate your time today. Let us know if we can be of help in the future. We may also invite you back to give us an update on your progress.

Kim Jefferies:
Thank you for the opportunity and anytime.

Chair Tim Robb:
With that, we will close this agenda item.

Agenda Item IV. [For Information Only – Discussion of agenda items for the next meeting, November 19, 2026]

Chair Tim Robb:
For awareness, we have a couple of items on deck. These are the items that we were not able to discuss and take action today and these items will be included on the next meeting agenda. Also, a quick discussion whether the Council members would be willing to participate in a doodle poll to assist with scheduling. Does anyone have input on doodle poll or other means they have found successful on getting availability for future meetings?

Stephen Aicroth:
Yes, sending out a digital poll will be advantageous to the group.

Chair Tim Robb:
Thank you.

Mary Devine:
I agree. It would narrow down some time availability for us.

Chair Tim Robb:
I know today is a challenge due to being a day before our Nevada Day weekend. All of our state executive branch agencies are here, and I appreciate your attendance. Any other input for this agenda? Hearing and seeing no further comments, we will close this agenda item.

Agenda Item V. [General Public Comments]

Chair Tim Robb:
No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to three minutes at the discretion of the chair. If you are making a public comment via phone, please call 1-775-321-6111 and the meeting ID is 593 033 535 followed by pound. We are now open for public comment. Please unmute yourself and state your name for the Council. Again, I want to call attention to the written public comments we received. Those are emailed out to the members of the Council and are posted online for those who want to review them. Does anyone wish to make public comment? Hearing and seeing none, we will close out public comment for the second time today and move to adjournment. I want to thank you all for joining today. I appreciate your participation and wishing you all a safe and happy Nevada Day. This meeting is adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Agenda Item VI. [Adjournment 1:34 p.m.]

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Abigail Bagolor

Abigail Bagolor, Committee Moderator

APPROVED BY:

Tim Robb

Tim Robb, Chair

Date: 11/5/2026