

CITY OF ELY

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ELY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

July 10, 2025, 5:00 p.m. – Ely Volunteer Fire Hall – 499 Mill Street – Ely, Nevada

1. Mayor Robertson called the regular meeting of the Ely City Council to order at **5:00 P.M.** Mayor Robertson led in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for Roll Call.

Members present:

Mayor Nathan Robertson
Councilman Terrill Trask
Councilwoman Melody Van Camp
Councilman Dennis Perea
Councilwoman Jerri Lynn Williams-Harper

Members absent:

Councilwoman Michelle Yeoman

City Officials and staff present in the building or via video conference:

City Clerk Jennifer Lee
City Treasurer Janette Trask
City HR Director Desiree Ramirez
City Public Works Director Mike Cracraft
City Fire Chief Pat Stork
City Attorney Chris Arabia
City Building Official Don Hendrickson
City Police Chief Scott Henriod
City Administrative Assistant Patti Cobb

Also, in attendance: Members of the public in attendance at the Ely Volunteer Fire Hall signed in (appears below) and the following people attended via video conference: Geri Wopschall; Eugene Harper; Wyatt Cox, KELY; Danny Ortega; Patricia's Iphone; Ford AV: Vic Wenner, Tiffany Tartar, Jim Ford, Thomas Williams, Phillip Pappadakas, Daniel Nguyen; and Pavion Connect and Protect: Hyong Cho, and Hudson Sherr.

ELY CITY COUNCIL ATTENDANCE LIST

DATE: July 10, 2025

Print name below

George Chachas
Lisa Ortega
Dan K. B...
Dean Reynolds
Janet VanD...
Mark Bassett

Print name below

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

George Chachas stated on your agenda item 8-1 and 2; if the City Council approves those items, as did the Utility Board, then the same consideration must be given to others that have the same type of situation in the past. The Utility Board and City Council did not treat everyone the same on your agenda item 9-1. You are to consider City Attorney Chris Arabia's employment arrangements and possible salary increase. Again, I have nothing against Mr. Arabia. He receives \$140,000 now, the White Pine County District Attorney receives \$123,000, and has considerably more responsibilities. The City needs to live within its means. You people are giving out raises that can't be sustained without raising fees and taxes. Raises should not be more than 3% to 10% at best. Local businesses and residents have not seen, nor did they receive raises of 40% or more; shame on all of you. I can't get a simple permit for which I'm willing to pay to stay in my business, but I'm forced to witness this philandering of public money. You people have no business in government. On your agenda item 9B-2 regarding Ordinance 763, dealing with prostitution, why was this item not brought before the Regional Planning Commission for review? On your agenda item 9B-6 regarding the possible acceptance of the CDBG award for the 7th Street Drainage Improvement Project there's nothing provided for sidewalk installation and that area qualifies for consideration as there's low income and many minorities. You need to address the buildup of sage brush posing a fire hazard. In that area we want sidewalks included, as you have with others, no discrimination. On your agenda item under reports on item four since when did the City Clerk start charging \$12 to \$15 for a business license; I paid over \$126. You need to review what your people are doing.

3. Mayor – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Agenda, including removal of agenda items.

Councilman Trask moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Van Camp seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

➤ CITY CLERK

City Clerk Lee stated GOED has approved RCAC's methodology for our income survey. RCAC is now waiting for their funding to be renewed by the Clean Water-State Revolving Fund to complete our survey in time to apply for CDBG.

5. NNRY FOUNDATION REPORT

Mayor Robertson stated I would like to disclose I am a part-time employee of the Foundation, but this is not a voting item, and I don't vote anyways.

NNRY President Mark Bassett reviewed the following report:

NEVADA NORTHERN RAILWAY
NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK



Nevada Northern Railway Foundation
A Nevada 501 (c) 3 Non Profit Corporation
Depot: 1100 Avenue A, Ely, Nevada 89301
Mailing Address: PO Box 150040, Ely, Nevada 89315
Voice: (775) 289-2085 • Web: www.nnry.com • E-mail: info@nnry.com

Monthly Operations Report for June 2025

- 1. Locomotive Status – Updated
 - a. Locomotives in service: 109, 801, Wrecking Crane A & Rotary B.
 - b. Staff and volunteers are working on Locomotive 802 with the goal of bringing it back to service this summer.
 - b. On Locomotive 81 work is progressing on the pilot truck.
 - c. Locomotive 93 suffered a hub liner and crown brass failure on axle 4. We have dropped the axle and taken it to Salt Lake. Fortunately, the axle can be turned. The axle has been turned and the locomotive bearing bronze has been ordered.
 - d. During an inspection of the Doodlebug, we found a crack in the power truck frame. We are in the process of make a repair and returning the car to service.
 - e. Locomotive 105 is out of service for radiator leaks.
 - f. Locomotive 204/250 has been painted. It is out of service for brake work. She's expected to return to service towards the end of July.
 - g. Locomotive 40 is out of service for her heavy repairs. We have started on her repairs; she will be out of service until 2025.
 - h. Locomotives out of service needing moderate repairs: #201
 - i. Locomotives waiting funding for restoration: Steptoe Valley Smelting and Mining #309 and Rotary Snowplow B (for boiler overhaul.)
 - j. Locomotives out of service needing heavy repairs #80 and the military locomotives.
- 3. Rolling Stock Status – No change
 - a. Passenger equipment in service: #05, #07, #08, #09, Flatcar #23, Baggage/RPO #20, Outfit Car #06 and Caboose 6.
 - b. Passenger Coach 5 is in service but it needs to be lettered in gold leaf.
 - c. Passenger equipment out of service: #10, #2 and #05 needing heavy repairs.
 - d. Caboose in service: #3 #6 and #22 are operational.
 - e. Caboose out service: #5
- 4. Track Status – No change
 - a. Keystone Branch is open.
 - b. Adverse Branch is open.
 - c. Museum Branch is open.
- 5. Ridership and Ticket Sales – Updated

Award Winning Destination
Best Adrenaline Rush in Rural Nevada – 2020
Best Historic Railroad of the West – 2023, 2022
Best Museum in Rural Nevada – 2022, 2020, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2013, 2010, 2009, 2008
Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence – 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014
Best Place to Take the Kids in Rural Nevada - 2020, 2019, 2018, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007

- a. In June we carried 2,170 passengers, this was an increase of 8% compared to the previous year.
- b. So far this year we have carried 4,995 passengers, this was an increase of 7% compared to the previous year.
- c. Since operations began in 1987, we have carried 388,804 passengers.
- 6. Economic Impact – The average non-gaming & gaming daily expenditure per overnight visitor \$170. Economic impact for June 2025 was 2,170 x \$170 = \$368,900. Economic impact year to date was 2,652 x \$170 = \$849,150 These numbers only reflect the economic impact of our train passengers and does not include visitors who did not ride the train.
- 7. Social Media: Our reach on social media continues to expand:
 - a. Our Facebook views was 1,552,371
 - b. Our Facebook reach last month was 600,696
 - c. We have 135,500 page likes.
 - d. 204,538 people follow our page.

8. Locomotive 250.



We completed the painting of Locomotive 204 into Locomotive 250 in June and revealed her to the public on the 4th of July. This patriotic paint scheme was designed by Ryan Boettcher, the grand prize winner of our U.S. 250th Anniversary Paint Scheme Contest.

The work was funded by a generous grant from the White Pine County Tourism and Recreation Board and the supporters of the Nevada Northern Railway Museum. The details were painted by the railroad's Superintendent, Angie.

9. Train Schedule Trains operate daily through September.

JULY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4Independence Day	5
				1:00P Assembly 4:30P Robinson Cyn	1:00P Assembly 6:30P Assembly	10:00A Assembly 1:00P Assembly 4:30P Assembly
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6. REPORTS

- **COUNCILWOMAN VAN CAMP**
Councilwoman Van Camp stated I have community service folks who are still doing trash and debris pickup. I attended this morning's Utility Board meeting, and we are ready for the Jack Caylor Park Rededication celebration this Saturday. We invite everybody to come for a wonderful rededication and a free lunch.
- **MAYOR ROBERTSON**
Mayor Robertson stated I would like to say thanks to everybody who worked so hard on the 4th of July this last week it was well attended, and things went well. I would also like to thank the Road and Highway Builders. I know that there was a lot of work to get that cleared just for a holiday, and they were right back at it soon afterwards. The fireworks were great, the reunions were fun, and I think everybody had a great time. I would also like to thank the Ely Volunteer Fire Department for letting me march with them in the parade.

THE MAYOR WILL RECESS THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR A MEETING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF ELY

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF ELY.

1. Redevelopment Agency Members – City Treasurer Trask – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Redevelopment Area Commercial Grant Application submitted by Property Owner, Scott Lee for \$14,000.00.

Councilman Perea moved to approve the Redevelopment Area Commercial Grant Application submitted by Property Owner, Scott Lee for \$14,000.00. Councilwoman Williams-Harper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

THE MAYOR WILL RECESS THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF ELY AND RECONVENE THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BOARD.

1. Board Members – City Engineer Almberg – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of Kelly Barney’s Will Serve Application for one sewer connection at 940 Avenue C.

Mayor Robertson stated these four structures at one time, many months ago were one parcel. They built the first building on the corner, and then there were three foundations sitting there unused for a number of years. I think they eventually sold those three off, and built structures, but the utility had already been put in. The utilities never got separated and so currently, there is one sewer service going through the two properties and four buildings. This is approval to correct that and the cost to correct that is being borne by the property owner.

Councilman Perea asked, “Is this something that should have been caught by the City?”

Mayor Robertson stated yes, this is something that probably should have been caught by the City. It's something they probably should have been required to do when they sold part of the property off, but that certainly predates anybody on this Council or in the Administration, and so I don't know who to point a finger at.

Councilman Trask moved to approve of Kelly Barney’s Will Serve Application for one sewer connection at 940 Avenue C. Councilwoman Van Camp seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Councilwoman Van Camp – City Engineer Almberg – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to waive Will Serve fee up to the amount of \$2,975.00 from 940 Avenue C, Ely, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, Kelly Barney due to a joined sewer service that was recently discovered and that predates current ownership of the property.

Mayor Robertson stated this was also approved by the Utility board. Again, the owner is taking care of the cost to do the work and they are just asking for a waiver of the connection fee.

Councilwoman Van Camp moved to approve waiving the Will Serve fee up to the amount of \$2,975.00 from 940 Avenue C, Ely, Nevada at the request of Property Owner, Kelly Barney due to a joined sewer service that was recently discovered and that predates current ownership of the property. Councilman Perea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ONLY OF THE ELY CITY COUNCIL.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Van Camp stated I would like to disclose my granddaughter is an employee of the City of Ely Fire Department.

Mayor Robertson disclosed my husband is a member of the Volunteer Fire Department and is not treated any differently than any of the others so I will not be abstaining, and I also don’t vote.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda item 9A-1 Minutes and 9A-2 Bills.

Moved by: Councilman Trask Second by: Councilwoman Williams-Harper Vote: Unanimously

1. Discussion/For Possible Action – Minutes.
 - June 12, 2025
 - June 26, 2025
2. Discussion/For Possible Action – Bills.
 - July 3, 2025

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Robertson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Review and determination regarding City Attorney Chris Arabia’s employment arrangements, including but not limited to Ely Municipal Code (EMC) 1-6-6-3 and 1-6-6-5 and possible salary increase.

City Attorney Arabia stated first of all, I want to say that I've been in this position for six months now, and I'm really happy to be here. I've enjoyed working with all of you. I think the City is well governed, I like being a part of that, and I think that I've done a good job. What I'm here to ask for today is actually something a little different than what I was expecting. I would like to ask that you give me an extension for the next six months from the residency requirement. I have some personal situations that preclude me doing anything in that direction at the present time, and I don't know if or when that's going to change. I would like to stay involved here and continue the work that I'm doing. It says here about a possible salary increase and I'm not asking for a salary increase at this point. I don't think considering what I'm asking you, that it would be appropriate for me to also ask for more money. That's what I'm hoping to do, and we can revisit this a few months out. I know it's not ideal, but this is a case, I think, of not letting the perfect be the enemy of the good. So, I'm hoping you'll agree to that. Thank you.

Mayor Robertson asked, “Could you discuss a little bit about the schedule you're proposing for being here and being remote?”

City Attorney Arabia stated I think, as you guys have seen over the past six months, I consider it very important to be at City Council meetings; I haven't missed one. On the criminal side the only thing that absolutely requires me to be present in person is trials, and I'm more than happy to do that. We've only had two so far. The Municipal Court is aware of this, and they have agreed, and I think Judge Hibbs, I don't want to speak out of turn, would be happy to have me staying. It would be kind of an as needed thing, but those would be the bedrocks. I plan to be here for all the City Council meetings.

Mayor Robertson stated I'd like to say City Attorney Arabia has always been available. He's present either in person or on the phone for any meeting that's scheduled. He's accessible to the staff and never had a problem getting responses or getting the work done. I had him do some research between the Ely Municipal Code and NRS prior to this and there are some corrections we're going to need to make in our Ely Municipal Code, as it does require city officials to live within White Pine County, however, NRS specifically prohibits cities from making that requirement for a city attorney position. There was an oversight there that needs to be corrected so there's nothing wrong in allowing this working arrangement, legally speaking.

Councilman Trask stated I just want to make sure of the availability, which hasn't ever been an issue, but making sure it's still first priority.

City Attorney Arabia stated I think that's the one thing that I can offer is that this is my number one priority I have right now. I have one case in Pahrump, which is a family law case, I'm doing pro bono for altruistic reasons. I'm not going to take anything on that would push this to number two, which means that you will always be able to get me, and I try to get the work done in connection with this as soon as possible. So, that's not going to change.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper moved to extend City Attorney Arabia’s probationary period by six months for review and possible salary increase and in the interim to update the Ely Municipal Code to match Nevada Revised Statutes regarding residency requirements for the City Attorney position. Councilwoman Van Camp seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Councilwoman Van Camp – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval of First Reading of Ordinance 763, Bill No. 2025-03, An Ordinance amending Title 5, Police Regulations, Chapter 1, General Offenses, Section 16(G)(1), under Prostitution, of the City of Ely Municipal Code, to designate the area in which such activity is permitted as the

following: on High Street from an eastern boundary of Second Street to a western boundary that is 550 feet west of Second Street.

Mayor Robertson asked, “Does that distance take us well past 1st Street where the old green lantern was?”

City Clerk Lee stated correct, it is as far as you can go.

Councilwoman Van Camp moved to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 763, Bill No. 2025-03, An Ordinance amending Title 5, Police Regulations, Chapter 1, General Offenses, Section 16(G)(1), under Prostitution, of the City of Ely Municipal Code, to designate the area in which such activity is permitted as the following: on High Street from an eastern boundary of Second Street to a western boundary that is 550 feet west of Second Street. Councilman Perea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Council Members – City Clerk Lee – Discussion/For Possible Action – Review of Consultant Selection Procedures on Proposals submitted by *Ford AV* and *Pavlon Connect and Protect* for United States Department of Justice Federally Funded Project No: 15JCOPS-24-GG-02256-TECP Security Cameras Installation Project, including Project Fee Breakdown; Past Performance; Equipment Quality and Capability; Project Approach; and Availability and Capacity; each proposer will be interviewed by the City Council during this item and final selection based solely on the average of the interview score.

City Clerk Lee read the following memo into the record:



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June 30, 2025

Mayor Robertson and Ely City Council

Subject: Security Cameras RFP Consultant Selection Procedures

Key Considerations:

1. Submitted Proposals were evaluated independently by each member of the technical review committee – consisting of Mayor Robertson, Public Works Director Cracraft, City Treasurer Trask, White Pine County Sheriff Henrod, and White Pine County IT Director Jasen Hutchens– on Project Fee Breakdown; Past Performance; Equipment Quality and Capability; Project Approach; and Availability and Capacity. Ford AV and Pavlon Connect and Protect scored within 6.2 points of each other, triggering City Council interviews for all firms within 10 points of the averaged winning score.
2. Final selection by the City Council will be based solely on the average of the interview scores.
3. Interview questions were developed by the technical review team members, in consultation with the City Attorney. The same questions will be asked of each proposer, and no additional questions may be asked of any proposer. Each firm will provide a brief presentation and answer identical questions; Council Members' scoring will be averaged immediately afterward, and the Governing Body will select the winner as part of this agenda item.

Thank you.

J Lee
Ely City Clerk

The City of Ely is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

City Attorney Arabia stated just to summarize what's going to happen, each of you should have the matrix in front of you indicating there is going to be a presentation, which we'd ask you to keep under ten minutes, and can be scored up to 12.5 points. There are seven questions which you should have received previously, each of which can also have a

score of up to 12.5 points. The counselors will listen to your answers, assess them and mark their scores. City Treasurer Trask will collect and tally the results, and that will give us our result. I would like to add that this procedure is certainly consistent with any applicable laws.

City Clerk Lee stated we will need the Pavion representatives to leave the room virtually while Ford AV is being interviewed and once that interview is complete, we will readmit you.

Ford AV Interview:

Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated Ford Audio/Video is located in Oklahoma City and we have Vic Wenner, who is the Division Manager in our Salt Lake City office. That is a full-service office, and you're closest to our Salt Lake City office, even though our Las Vegas office is also kind of close. Daniel Nguyen is the Account Manager from Las Vegas, and he came to the site survey. We have two experts on the line; one is Phillip Pappadakas, who is our corporate service manager. He is an Avigilon expert and trained fully in how to implement large Avigilon systems like South Black in Dallas. Designer Thomas Williams has a long history of that too. I have a short presentation I would like to share with all of you.

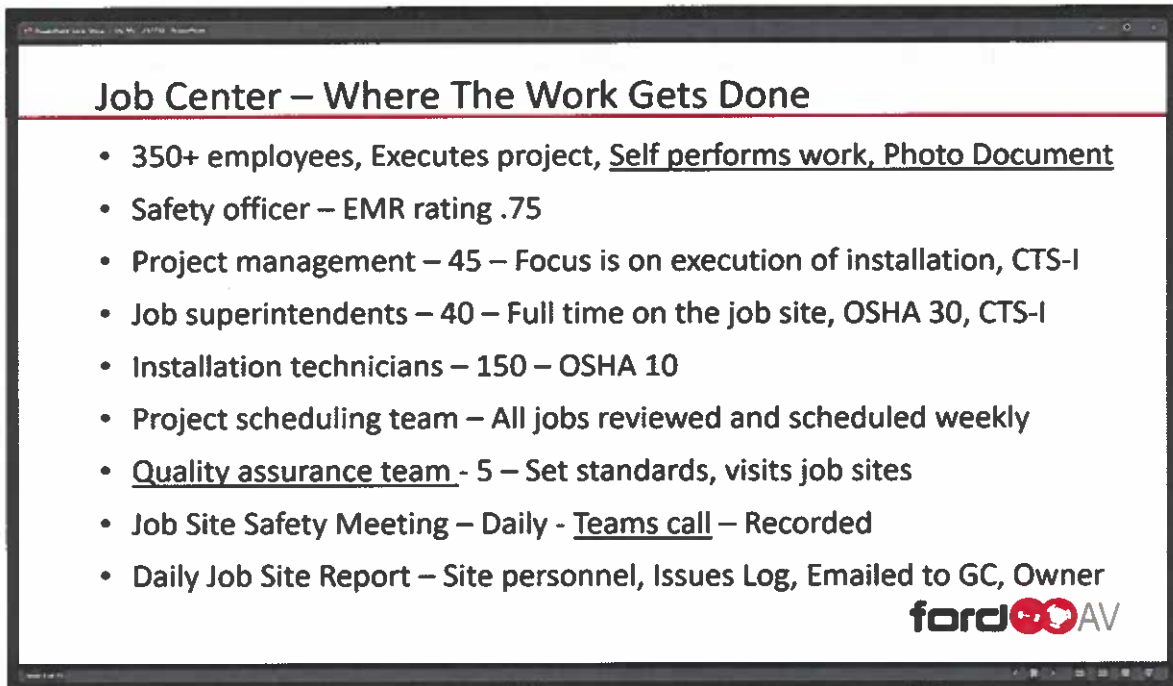
Ford AV CEO Jim Ford reviewed the following presentation:



Who We Are

Experienced, Capable, Reliable, Strong Foundation, Low Risk

- 50 years - Privately held – Woman Owned - Same management
- Licensed in 20+ states
- Financially Healthy, Audited financial statements
- Bondable to \$50,000,000 per project
- 11 Division offices - 11 regional support offices
- LOW RISK provider



The screenshot shows a presentation slide with a white background and a black border. The title 'Job Center – Where The Work Gets Done' is at the top in bold black text. Below the title is a bulleted list of 10 items. The last item in the list is 'Daily Job Site Report – Site personnel, Issues Log, Emailed to GC, Owner'. In the bottom right corner of the slide is the 'fordAV' logo, which consists of the word 'ford' in lowercase black letters, a red circle with a white camera icon inside, and the letters 'AV' in bold black letters.

Job Center – Where The Work Gets Done

- 350+ employees, Executes project, Self performs work, Photo Document
- Safety officer – EMR rating .75
- Project management – 45 – Focus is on execution of installation, CTS-I
- Job superintendents – 40 – Full time on the job site, OSHA 30, CTS-I
- Installation technicians – 150 – OSHA 10
- Project scheduling team – All jobs reviewed and scheduled weekly
- Quality assurance team - 5 – Set standards, visits job sites
- Job Site Safety Meeting – Daily - Teams call – Recorded
- Daily Job Site Report – Site personnel, Issues Log, Emailed to GC, Owner

fordAV

Mayor Robertson asked the following interview questions:

1. Please explain in detail a similar project that you worked on and how the project turned out.

Ford AV Corporate Service Manager Phillip Pappadakes stated the City of Southlake is a city here in the Dallas Fort Worth Metroplex where I'm located, which has installations across the City of more than 250 Avigilon cameras, located across more than a dozen sites with wireless backhaul as well as hardwired CAT connections for its camera and local video recorders in much the same that we're proposing. We continue to work with that customer, and we've been managing and expanding that system for more than five years now. We continue a turnkey solution provided to the customer in the city in each and every installation that we do for that and that includes all of the networking backbone, bringing the cameras onto the NVR system, training for any operators on how to actually interact with the system, as well as preventative maintenance in the period of the warranty on the actual equipment and the cameras.

2. What type of challenges do you see in completing this project and how will you overcome them?

Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated we send out seventy crews a week, and we're always in construction. I don't believe we'll face any supply chain issues. Avigilon is up to date, and we're a big user of Avigilon. Networking is pretty straightforward, and installation of the cameras is straightforward. Probably the biggest obstacle is, where do the cameras go? How do we mount them? Can we mount them safely and get connectivity from that camera? If we're up on poles, we'll be using the ubiquity wireless. So, I would say, it's standard construction issues, but this is what we do every day. So, in general, I really don't see very many problems other than picking the places and getting it installed up on buildings and poles.

Ford AV Corporate Service Manager Phillip Pappadakes stated I will add there are two main factors in the performance and installation of the system that would be outside the direct scope of our proposal that we would do the actual coordination for and that's primarily electrical. So, bringing high voltage to things like the various light poles, Ford AV is not a high voltage vendor, so we would be coordinating with the electrician. Their actual performance is something that is technically outside of Ford's scope, but still relevant to the performance as well as coordination with and performance of the City's network that actually brings the end user, the operator, to the Ford provided server that houses the actual video. That connection won't be directly built by Ford AV, but it's still relevant to the performance and so we'll want to make sure during that coordination that it's set up correctly. Those are the two main considerations I would have that are potential pain points just because they're outside of Ford's control. As Mr. Ford said we have a lot

of experience with this and I don't have any concerns about our ability to perform, but just the nature of coordination on the construction side of things would be the only point to bring up.

Mayor Robertson asked, “just to be clear, the power supply to these facilities is not part of your proposal?”

Ford AV Corporate Service Manager Phillip Pappadakes stated in all instances where we're bringing a camera directly to an actual location via hardwired cabling we would be providing power. Primarily what I'm talking about is the instances where cameras are on, say, a light pole. That light pole has high voltage that an electrician would then connect to our equipment in order to power our equipment, since we can't plug it into an outlet in the same way you would in an electrical closet for the interior cameras on buildings.

3. How will you meet the client's expectations of the project?

Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated that's what we do every day. If you notice some of those clients I mentioned like AT & T, Nationwide, and we're doing the U.S. House chamber. We were just awarded that in Washington, DC, so we're going to be redoing that whole house chamber, and we've been doing that for twenty years, and you can't do that unless you keep your promises. Our business is to execute the installation on time, meeting the milestones, delivering quality, and meeting the specifications; that's what we do in all jobs. We're one company, we are not siloed, so all of our technicians are all trained the same way and with the same installation practices. We deliver quality on time, and we keep our promises. We are going to be very customer friendly. We work with our customers very closely, that's how we keep them.

4. How would the Sheriff's office access the cameras?

Ford AV Corporate Service Manager Phillip Pappadakes stated our system again, as I mentioned, is turnkey. So, we would have the server brought onto the City's network and coordinate with the City's IT team to get access from the Sheriff's office to those servers via a software package that's called the Individual on Unity Video Client. Essentially in layman's terms, what that means is the Sheriff's office would open their computer, launch the software, log into the server, and pull up the cameras that they want to see.

5. What license plate reader capabilities does the proposed system have?

Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated we operate about 250 Avigilon cameras through our location here in Oklahoma City, and we have a license tag camera reader on our main entryway.

Ford AV Designer Thomas Williams stated the license plate reader camera actually incorporates two lenses; one that is dedicated for a lane to capture the license plate, and then a second lens that is more of a wide view to see what the vehicle looks like and things of that nature. The City parks are incorporating license plate reading cameras around the periphery. Your City Hall, for example, has two pointed at the two points of entry. Some facilities did not have high traffic areas. There was one park in particular that didn't have parking that was very close, so we did not incorporate a license plate reading camera at that facility, while we do have other cameras dedicated to having a full view of the activity involved. The license plate reading camera itself is a very specific unit of hardware and would not be recommended for every camera installation. Avigilon, the brand that we are proposing, actually has one of the widest selections of cameras available. So, we are fine tuning the proposal to give you the right camera for the right location, the right tool for the right job.

6. There is a large difference between the two proposals regarding pricing. Please break down your materials and labor costs, explaining the ways your pricing proposal benefits the City of Ely and the White Pine County Sheriff's Office.

Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated the labor is about \$192,000. We have travel expenses because it's quite a ways to get there, some car rentals, and things like that, which is

\$113,000. If you add those up, they total approximately \$306,000. The materials which we're also carrying 2% for freight above the cost of the materials or the equipment and we're carrying a 2% contingency, which is pretty normal. If you add all that up it comes to \$538,000. We do carry overhead and profit, which is about 10% overhead and 5% profit. Anyway, that all comes up to \$844,000. It is 2,958 hours of labor and that is all types of labor including engineering, fabrication, job superintendents, project managers and so forth.

7. After selection, are you willing to amend your proposal to better accommodate the City's TEP grant requirements?

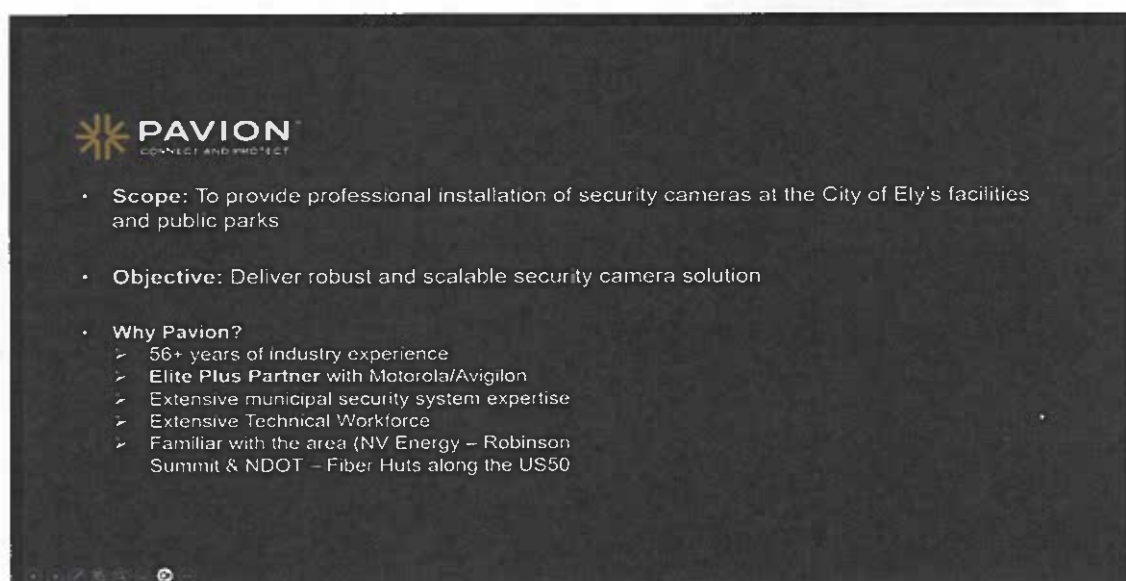
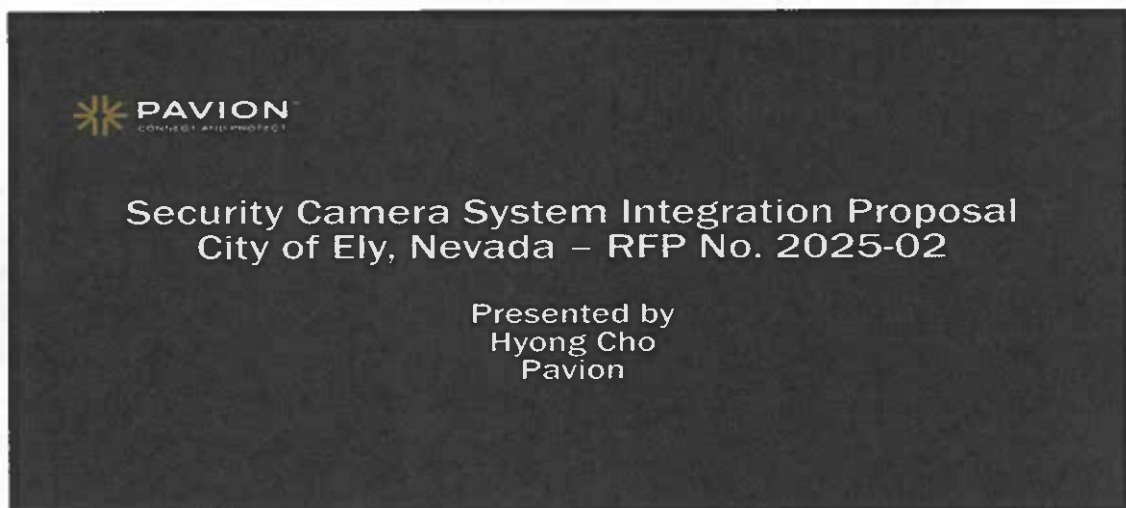
Ford AV CEO Jim Ford stated the answer is yes, we are very flexible, and we will work with you.


City Clerk Lee stated if the Ford team could leave the meeting during Pavion's interview, and then we'll let you back in for the final section of the agenda item.

Pavion Connect and Protect Interview:

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated good evening members of the Council, my name is Hyong Cho with Pavion and I'm the Account Executive who responded to the City's request for the security camera system integration proposal. With me is a gentleman named Hudson Sherr and he's here to answer any technical questions regarding the system that we're proposing. The Request for Proposal (RFP) was to provide a professional installation service for the security camera system for the City of the Ely facilities and public parks and our objective was to deliver a robust, scalable security camera system easy to manage, and also to maintain.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho reviewed the following presentation:





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
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Experience & Performance

- Proven Municipal & Public Project Experience
- Highlighted Projects:
 - NDOT Conversion: 410-camera cloud migration (Motorola ALTA)
 - UNR – 600 cameras, over 1,000 access control doors
 - State of Nevada: Over 1,000 cameras and access doors
 - Nevada Museum of Art: Full CCTV and alarm system upgrade



Equipment & Technical Solution

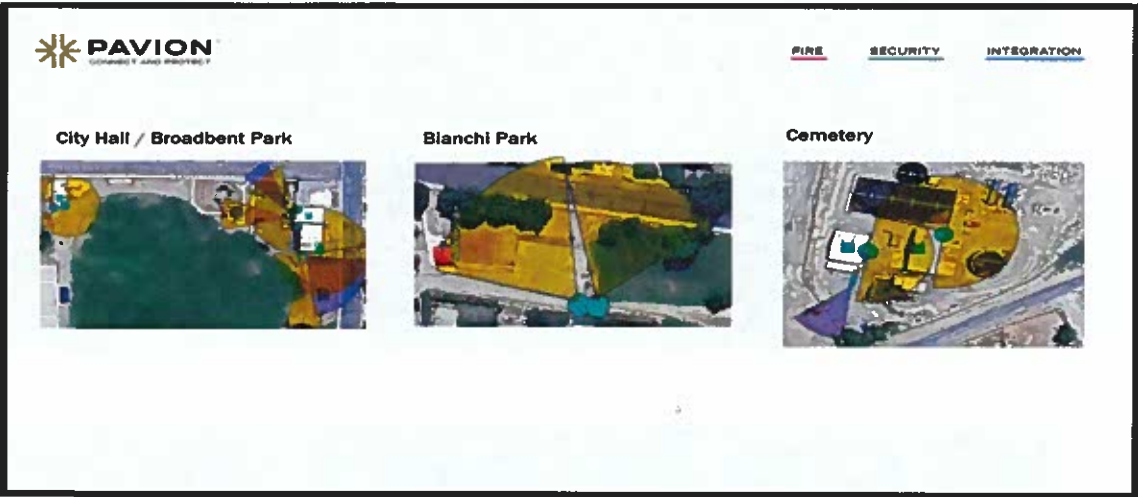
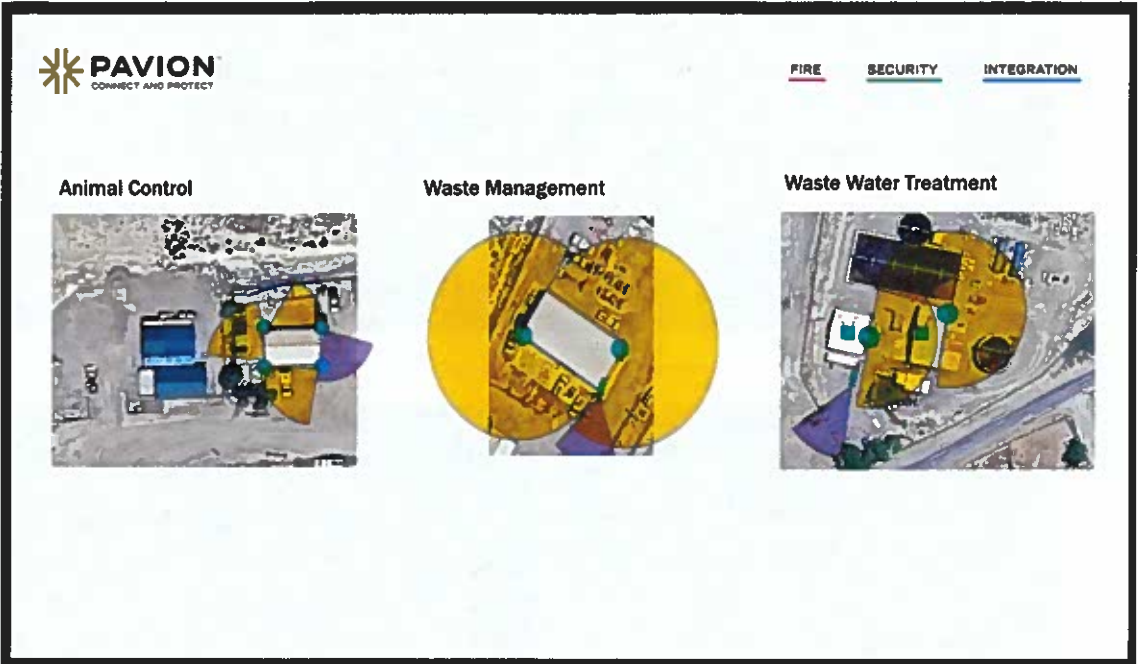
- Platform: Motorola/Avigilon ALTA Cloud VMS
- System Features:
 - Cloud-Native Architecture
 - AI-Powered Analytics
 - Mobile-First Design (Manage system from anywhere via internet)
 - Real time Monitoring and Alerts
 - Automatic Software Updates (Free Up IT Resources)
 - Data Encrypted end-to-end
 - Smartpath streaming
 - 30 days encrypted cloud backup
 - 5G industrial-grade routers




Implementation Strategy & Readiness

- Approach, Capacity & Commitment
- Project Management:
 - Hybrid Agile-Waterfall model for control + flexibility
 - Microsoft Project used for real-time tracking
 - Certified Systems Project Manager assigned
- Team Strength:
 - 1350+ technicians, 140+ engineers, 70+ offices nationwide
 - 24/7 Live Call Center
- Commitment to Quality:
 - Motorola / Avigilon's **Elite Plus Partner**
 - **10 Years Warranty** on Motorola / Avigilon Hardware
 - Weekly updates and milestone tracking
 - As-built documentation + warranty registration
 - Final walkthrough and QA checklist

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated here are some of the sites we visited and the coverage areas. The coverage areas in yellow show the video coverage and the purple represent the license plate recognition (LPR) cameras. Most of the sites do not have any internet or access to the internet or a web connection so, we are going to put in wireless cell routers.






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**Thank
you.**



If you have any questions,
please reach out to:

Hyong Cho
669-250-8408
hcho@rfi.com

1. Please explain in detail a similar project that you worked on and how the project turned out.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated one of the projects we have done is with the State of Nevada. The State of Nevada Department of Transportation had a lot of on Premises cameras, about 400 of them, and they were constantly driving around updating all the firmware whenever Microsoft came up with the security patches for cyber threats. They had to do all the updates, and they wanted something they would have minimal maintenance on. So, we did an upgrade of 410 cameras for the State of Nevada Department of Transportation across the State and that turned out really good, and I did reference that and provided a contact name as a reference on the proposal.

Councilman Perea asked on those projects it sounds like it was all back end, did you do any onsite installation on those projects.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated not for the NDOT project but for the University of Nevada Reno we do all their installs. The original installation for NDOT was performed by us and then the customer wanted to have something different because of the IT resources. We're having similar issues with the VA Hospital as their IT resources have been downsized dramatically, so a lot of the servers are not being patched or are not being kept up and those are the reasons they are wanting to do a cloud solution.

2. What type of challenges do you see in completing this project and how will you overcome them?

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated it's definitely going to be the distance and the remoteness of the project sites, but we have done similar projects at the Robinson Summit. We did a project out at Robinson Summit for the NV Energy switchyard, I believe it was a 350 and 450 kb switchyard out there and was about a five-month project. We had our guys travel and stay at a hotel. We completed that project on time and we are still maintaining that site and assisting them with the day-to-day operations.

3. How will you meet the client's expectations of the project?

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated again, my biggest concern was the lack of data connection or internet connection to each of these sites and that's prohibited us proposing the on-premises solution. A lot of the sites are challenging because there is not a clean environment for us to install network video recorders and switches because these were open wells and pump stations that are not environmentally controlled. We decided to go with the on-cloud version, because the cameras are hardened and that they have a ten-year warranty. We are proposing a 5G industrial rate of 5G routers, everything will be sent up to the cloud, and then all the information will be residing there. Each camera has an SD Card that can store all the videos as well so there will be minimal equipment at the site.

Mayor Robertson asked, "Is it a problem if there isn't 5G service in the area where the cameras are installed?"

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated that when I visited all the sites, I had really good cell coverage at every site. I had T-Mobile and at some of the locations I was pushing 300 to 400 megabits per second.

4. How would the Sheriff's office access the cameras?

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated So this being born on the cloud we can have a workstation set up at the Sheriff's office, and if the Sheriff or the other officers patrolling the areas have an iPad or some kind of mobile device they can

connect to the cloud directly; because everything is in the cloud, they can access it through the cloud.

Mayor Robertson asked, “Does it require a certain app on those programs to do that or is it all web-based?”

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated it's all web based. They support Internet Explorer, and I think they support just about every browser that's out there.

5. What license plate reader capabilities does the proposed system have?

Hudson Sherr stated with the ALTA solution, the cameras that are proposed for the project and enabling that LPR license you will have the ability to capture any type of vehicle that pulls up within view of that camera. So, you can also do analytic searches based on a full license plate match, you could do a “starts with” license plate if it maybe only got the beginning, “ends with”, “contains”, and all kinds of other types of mixtures that you wanted to do. You can have those to be able to go back and search for an incident. You can also create a “hot list”, as you may call it, or a “be on the lookout for” list. If you have known aggressors or people who are trespassing in areas, you can set up these license plate groups to be alerted to your system anytime that license plate to that vehicle is detected. Once that's detected it will send an alert either through the mobile app or through the Google Chrome browser when you guys are running the software or to your email. The LPR capabilities will let you know what is going on.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated if the Sheriff’s office is using Motorola radios we can push the alerts through the radios as well.

Councilman Perea asked, “will you be able to read license plates at all the locations proposed in the proposal.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated there are a total of nine LPR camera licenses proposed on this project and because some of the sites were very remote, working from the hills and whatnot, those would not have LPR capability. The parks and the some of the City areas will have LPR capability.

6. There is a large difference between the two proposals on pricing. Please break down your materials and labor costs, explaining the ways your pricing proposal benefits the City of Ely and the White Pine County Sheriff’s Office.

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho shared the following:

Section 2 – Project Fee Breakdown

Category	Estimated Cost
System Design & Configuration	\$25,000.00
Equipment Procurement	\$151,900.00
Installation & Integration	\$146,398.00
Testing, Training & Documentation	\$24,277.00
5 Year ALTA Subscription Service	\$47,402.00
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$394,977.00

7. After selection, are you willing to amend your proposal to better accommodate the City's TEP grant requirements?

Pavion Connect and Protect Account Executive Hyong Cho stated yes, we do a lot of work with the VA hospital, and we understand the federal grant process. We are more than happy to comply and meet the requirements of the Federal FTA forms.

Mayor Robertson recessed the Regular Meeting of the City Council at 6:06 p.m. so the City Treasurer can average the scores and then we will reconvene to hear the results.

Mayor Robertson reconvened the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:18 p.m.

B. NEW BUSINESS

- 6. Council Members – City Clerk Lee – Discussion/For Possible Action – Acceptance of the Nevada Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Award for the 7th Street Drainage Improvement Project in the amount \$199,050.00, with the City providing a \$66,350.00 match.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper moved to accept the Nevada Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Award for the 7th Street Drainage Improvement Project in the amount \$199,050.00, with the City providing a \$66,350.00 match. Councilman Perea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Robertson returned to item five and reviewed the following tallied scores:



City of Ely Consultant Selection Procedures
Ely City Council Interviews - Final Scores

Federal Project No: 15JCOPS-24-GG-02256-TECP- Security Camera Installation Project
Interviews held during the July 10, 2025 City Council Meeting
Final Selection will be based solely on the average of the interview score.

Council Member - Interviewers	Ford AV (Salt Lake City, UT) Daniel Nguyen, Account Manager	Pavion Connect and Protect (Reno, NV) Hyong Cho, Account Executive
Councilman Terrill Trask	76	91.5
Councilwoman Melody Van Camp	78 83	78 83
Councilwoman Michelle Yeoman	None	None
Councilman Dennis Perea	60	62
Councilwoman Jerri Lynn Williams-Harper	90	93.5
Total Points for each Offeror	309/Avg 72.15	330/Avg 82.5

Scores tallied by: Duette Trask Date: 7-10-25
Signature: [Signature]
Selection of Firm for the Security Cameras Installation Project: Pavion Connect & Protect

Councilman Trask moved to select Pavion Connect and Protect for United States Department of Justice Federally Funded Project No: 15JCOPS-24-GG-02256-TECP Security Cameras Installation Project, based solely on the average of the interview score. Councilwoman Van Camp seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7. Council Members – City Attorney Arabia – City Building Official Hendrickson – Discussion/For Possible Action – Approval to grant an extension through July 24, 2025 to Sam L. Bida to demolish the condemned structure per condemnation order dated April 15, 2024.

Building Official Hendrickson stated this was brought forward a little while ago proposed by Levi Garcia and I sent Levi to the City Attorney for clarification. The recommendation was, if we gave them another chance, they would have everything lined up having a contractor with proposals, and everything to get this done in a timely manner. After a long discussion the City Attorney and I came up with the idea that if we gave

them a two-week extension, this could potentially get done in that timeframe and we're not really out of anything, because it is a long process to go through the seizure process on the property. It is in the best interest of the City expenses, and also the individual being able to retain their land. I did speak to Miss Ortega just the other day, and I would like her to come up because she said that she'd be able to present an invoice and other documentation and stated they would have this accomplished by the 24th of July.

City Attorney Arabia stated the one thing I want everyone to keep in mind is just the time issue. This came up almost two weeks ago so two weeks sounds really short, but it was really a month because at the time we kind of said, Look, what we're going to ask the Council to do is give you until July 24th so we are not just springing that on them today, potentially and with the glacial pace of litigation, we thought this was appropriate. It gives them one final opportunity, and we would love to see them take advantage of it.

Sam Bida, Jr. stated we have up to date pictures of the property that were taken today.

Mayor Robertson stated, "If you will give those to the Clerk."

Lisa Ortega stated we just wanted to make sure that we brought the pictures. We do appreciate the extension, and we do appreciate the work by Levi Garcia that happened today. It's something to be local and to be able to come to the offices and talk about things; It's kind of different being in Vegas, It's a little bit harder. I do have an estimate and the 24th will be plenty of time. We are working with Paul with Out West Excavating and Grading. He said it would only take a day or so and it should not be a big deal. I want to ask, does this negate the eminent domain seizure from last month, or am I tearing the house down and the seizure is still in place? I want to make sure I'm not wasting my money.

City Attorney Arabia stated the deadline is July 24th and I can assure you, without any hesitation, that we are not going to wait for you to clear it, and then come in twirling mustaches and take the place; that's not what we're going to do and that's not what we're interested in. We told you that if you could get this done by a certain time we would back off and that's what we're going to do.

Lisa Ortega stated I appreciate that, and I do appreciate Levi's negotiating skills with the City; he was helpful. I also want to say that since you voted on it last time, we have moved four cars, and we have cleaned it up. The pictures that you saw from staff made the front page of the paper. They were three years old, and I feel like you should visit the properties that are in front of you before they come in front of you and make sure that the things that you see are accurate and timely.

Mayor Robertson stated we appreciate your attention to this, but this has been going on a lot longer than three years at this point.

Lisa Ortega stated since the last letters we received from the City we have had straight progress.

Councilman Trask moved to approve granting an extension through July 24, 2025 to Sam L. Bida to demolish the condemned structure per condemnation order dated April 15, 2024. Councilman Perea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sam Bida Sr. stated I have been ill for the last ten years, and I haven't been able to clean up the property and so I dumped it on my son. I want to thank you guys for giving us this time.

George Chachas stated ongoing concerns regarding a copy of the letters that the City sent to Ralph Jones, Tina Templer, Elaine Blackham, Chris Walker, and Jane Montgomery outlining the

terms for consideration to write-off penalties and interest on their properties; the Contract Change Order for the Bell Avenue Project and the damage to his property not being addressed; his request for the address and a contact name regarding the Bell Avenue Water Main Upgrade Project CDBG 22/pf/04 and who inspected the project; who approved the 785 Bell Avenue Sewer Project; the sewer problem he took care of at his residence located at 681 Parker; City employees need to review the Title VI plan; Code violations by members of the Planning Commission, some City Council Members, some County Commissioners, and staff; 582 North Highway 93 property hooking up to City sewer, water, and has not put in a fire hydrant; the drainage off of the Bath property draining onto his property at 622 High Street causing erosion; and his request for a complete list of properties and individuals that the City has permitted and allowed to park RVs on the City lots and streets while living in them. Mr. Chachas also stated on June 24, 2025 you interviewed Michelle Yeoman at the Prospector. Did you also interview the other two candidates under the same condition? The selective stuff's got to stop.

Russell Greer stated I am here from Las Vegas, and I just wanted to say thank you for clarifying the ordinance. My LLC is talking about buying the land, and so I just appreciate that you clarified that for us.

Kerri Pintar stated I'm just dialing in. I'm in receipt of a picture of many of you on June 24th interviewing that councilwoman, I would have thought with the situation that went on with the County Commissioners you guys would think better of that because it stirs up a lot of emotions for people when they see you blatantly disregarding what was likely an Open Meeting Law violation, that's the woman that you appointed. My last comment is, where is she? You've got Mr. Saunders going to these meetings on a regular basis. You appointed her last week, and she's gone today. I think that was a poor choice, and I think it was a very poor choice for all of you to go to Margaritas. My God, choose a different restaurant that doesn't have such a wide viewing. That's the same place I caught the county commission and now here you guys are following suit. I'm very disappointed, so I hope you learn from it. You will get away with it, because no one heard what you were saying, but the look and the impropriety of it all is just beyond what you should be doing, and you guys should be ashamed of yourselves. Thank you.

11. ADJOURNMENT: THE MEETING MAY BE ADJOURNED BY APPROPRIATE MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilwoman Williams-Harper moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Ely City Council at 6:36 p.m. Councilman Perea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



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