



Meeting Minutes Nevada Commission on Homeland Security

Attendance	DATE	Monday, December 19, 2016	
	TIME	2:00 PM	
	LOCATION	Division of Emergency Management Training Room 2478 Fairview Drive Carson City, Nevada 89701	
	METHOD	Teleconference	
	RECORDER	Karen Hall	
Commission Members	Present	Legislative & Ex-Officio Members, Staff and Others	Present
Governor Brian Sandoval	X	Derek Armstrong	
Joseph Lombardo	X	Karen Burke	
Chuck Allen	X	Caleb Cage	X
Gregory Cassell	X	Gonzalo Cordova	
Lisa Christensen	X	Chris Ipsen	X
Robert Fisher		Michael Roberson	
Adam Garcia	X	Aaron Rouse	X
Frank Gonzales	X		
Mark Hutchison		Samantha Ladich – Sr. DAG	X
Ikram Khan	X	Karen Hall (Analyst/Staff)	X
Tom Lozich	X		
William McDonald			
Charles Moore	X		
Richard Perkins	X		
Rosemary Vassiliadis	X		
Troy Wade			
Bill Welch	X		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Governor Brian Sandoval, Chairman of the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (Commission) called meeting to order. Roll call was performed by Karen Hall, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEM/HS). Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Governor Sandoval opened discussion for public commentary. No commentary was provided in either venue.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Governor Sandoval called for approval of the meeting minutes from the Commission meeting held June 23, 2016. Governor Sandoval called for the following changes:

- Page 2: First paragraph, second line deletion of “was placed” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Mrs. Newton placed emphasis on the public’s need for reliability of this grid, and there is tremendous concern about examining solutions to this problem including the suggestion that Nevada become a pioneer in driving a secured power grid.*
- Page 2: First paragraph, fifth line addition of “was” in front of “placed” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Additional emphasis was placed on isolating Nevada’s electrical grid and increase power production within the state, with Mr. Newton speaking to the Nevada Secure the Grid Coalition’s effort in being a voice to make this happen.*
- Page 2: First paragraph, eighth line correction of “he” to “the” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Robert Frank spoke to organizing civilian assistance to protect the grid against terrorism, cyber warfare, and EMP threats.*
- Page 2: First paragraph, tenth line addition of “the” prior to “coalition” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Craig Smith spoke to his extensive military and civilian experience in support and association with the coalition, and how it can assist with the unique capabilities and infrastructure within the state.*
- Page 4: Second paragraph, second bullet point, first sentence addition of “into” prior to “renewable” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Additionally, the Governor inquired on what modernization efforts are in place within the current system, with Mr. Lateef indicating there are recommendations to invest into the grid by building micro-grids and looking into renewable battery systems that can sustain power requirements.*
- Page 5: Second bullet point, first sentence correction of “bene” to “been” to reflect sentence correction as follows:
 - *Chris Ipsen, Desert Research Institute, thanked Mr. Lateef for his presentation and spoke to previous exercise NV energy had been involved in where an outcome was to discuss dependencies between partners.*

No other changes were presented. The Governor called for a motion to approve the minutes with the suggested changes. Dr. Ikram Khan, Quality Care Consultants, motioned to approve, and General (Ret.) Frank Gonzales, NV Energy, seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. The motion passed unanimously.

4. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Governor wished to keep his comments brief, expressing to the Commission to stay safe and happy during the upcoming holidays in addition to noting the preparation Las Vegas is going through for the New Year's Eve celebration.

5. REQUEST TO REALLOCATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) FUNDS

Chief Caleb Cage, DEM/HS briefed the Commission on the actions taken regarding the request to reallocate HSGP funding for four Project Change Requests during the December 5, 2016, Finance Committee Meeting. Chief Cage read into record each project at the request of the Governor as well as the recommendation by the Finance Committee regarding each project. Governor Sandoval inquired if the approval to move all projects forward as presented was a unanimous decision by the Finance Committee, with Chief Cage, and Stacey Giomi, Finance Committee Chairman, indicating that was the case. Stacey Giomi confirmed the review process by the Finance Committee. Additionally, as several projects were pending Department of Homeland Security (DHS) approval during the Finance Committee review, it was determined that those projects had received approval prior to this meeting, and no carryover funding was required. Sheriff Joseph Lombardo, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, confirmed the unanimous vote by the Finance Committee to move the projects forward for funding as presented.

Governor Sandoval called for a motion to approve the following projects as presented:

NCHS-131: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department – Fusion Center [SHSP Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015]. This request is to move \$150,000.00 from the Organization category from Fusion Core Professional services contract to a video wall.

NCHS-132: Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department – Fusion Center [UASI FFY 2015]. This request is to move \$208,315.00 from the camera analytic software and Silver Shield hardware replacement costs to a video wall, computer, software and cubicle purchases.

NCHS-133: Nevada Division of Investigation, Department of Public Safety, Nevada Threat Analysis Center [SHSP FFY 2015]. This request is to move \$86,175.00 from GIS Analyst, "See Something, Say Something" campaign, and computer software to Fusion Center Liaison Officer, Critical Infrastructure Officer, analytical software.

NCHS-134: Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada ITERC [SHSP FFY 2015]. This request is to move \$13,096.07 from training, exercise and planning to personnel.

Motion to approve as presented was put forth by Director Adam Garcia, University of Nevada, Reno, and a second was provided by Dr. Khan. All were in favor with no opposition. The motion passed unanimously.

OFFICIAL MINUTES – Approved by the NCHS on February 17, 2017.

The Governor confirmed that there were no agenda items #6, #7, #8, or #9 due to a typographical numbering error on the agenda. Meeting moved to #10 – Public Comment as agendized.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Governor Sandoval called for public commentary in both venues. The Governor asked for a final time if any Commissioner's attending the meeting via teleconference felt they had not been accounted for in the roll call. The Governor was informed that the only addition was Lisa Christensen who had joined the meeting at the end of the initial roll call. No other public commentary was noted in either venue.

11. ADJOURN

Governor Sandoval called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn was presented by Dr. Khan, and a second was provided by Tom Lozich, MGM Resorts International. All were in favor with no opposition. The motion passed unanimously. The Governor thanked the Commissioners for the work they have done this year and wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year. Meeting adjourned.