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MEETING MINUTES

Organization: Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys

Date and Time of Meeting: December 12, 2024 • 3:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting: Virtual Meeting
Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) (Microsoft Teams)
Meeting ID: 285 641 070 372 **Passcode:** 64N8T5
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Members Present

Aaron D. Ford, Attorney General, Chair
Christopher Hicks, Washoe County District Attorney, Vice Chair
Mark Jackson, Douglas County District Attorney
Steve Wolfson, Clark County District Attorney
Wes Duncan, Sparks City Attorney
Carly Helbert, Las Vegas Assistant City Attorney

Staff Present

Michael K. Morton, Executive Director

Guests Present

Teresa Benitez-Thompson, Chief of Staff, Office of the Attorney General
Christine Jones Brady, Second Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General
David Gouldthorpe, LVMPD

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

2. Public Comment.

Public comment shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item, until scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting for possible action.

- *No public comment was offered.*

3. **Approval of Minutes of September 26, 2024 meeting. (For possible action)**
 (Attachment 1 – Draft minutes from September 26, 2024 meeting).
 - *Vice Chair Hickss moved to approve the minutes from the 9/26/24 meeting. Wes Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

4. **Discussion and Possible Vote Related to Dates and Northern Nevada Location for 2025 Prosecutors Conference. (For possible action)**
 - *Mr. Morton presented two draft proposals from venues to host the 2025 Prosecutors Conference – the Tahoe Blue Events Center and the Elko Convention Center. Discussion ensued regarding the ideal 3-day window to have the conference amid other events that occur at Lake Tahoe in September, as well as whether attendance would remain at the same level if the conference was held in Elko.*
 - *Mr. Morton was given direction to find out if September 10-12 was available at either location, as well as other potential venues.*
 - *Chair Ford stated that Mr. Morton would have a proposal for the next meeting.*

5. **Chair’s Report.**
 - a. Committee on Domestic Violence
 - b. Substance Use Response Working Group
 - c. Sentencing Commission
 - *Chair Ford presented his quarterly report in writing. There were no questions from the Advisory Council.*

6. **Executive Director’s Report.**
 - *Mr. Morton presented his quarterly report in writing. There were no questions from the Advisory Council.*

7. **Discussion on Possible Legislative Matters for the 83rd Session of the Nevada Legislature.**
 - *Mr. Morton provided the Advisory Council with the 16 pieces of legislation provided by the Attorney General’s Office, and gave a brief overview of the bills that address criminal justice.*
 - *Mark Jackson made general remarks regarding his general support for a number of the bills, and also had two specific bills to question/comment on.*
 - *AB64: Mark Jackson asked whether using the definition of “contested case” from the Administrative Procedures Act (chapter 233B of NRS) make that portion of the bill not apply to local governments. Chair Ford and Mr. Morton said they would bring that question back to the Open Meeting Law working group.*
 - *SB62: Mark Jackson said he had gone to do a little research on the Oregon statutes after which SB62 is modeled. He noted the lack of judicial precedent in Oregon (since the law is new), and wondered*

whether SB62 was drafted with enough of a degree of specificity in order to be enforceable. AG Ford noted that this first prefiled draft of SB62 is just a first draft, and ongoing discussions were going to happen among the Attorney General's Office, stakeholders, and the Legislature.

8. **Council Comments.** (For discussion only – action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item, but matters may be scheduled on future agendas).
 - *No comments from members of the Advisory Council were offered.*
9. **Public Comment.**

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 - *No public comment was offered.*
10. **Adjournment.**
 - *Carly Helbert moved to adjourn the meeting. Wes Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

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- Office of the Attorney General, 5420 Kietzke Lane, Suite 202, Reno, NV 89511
- Office of the Attorney General, McCarran Center – State of Nevada Campus, 1 State of Nevada Way, Suite 100, Las Vegas, NV 89119

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