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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Organization: Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys

Date and Time of Meeting: September 14, 2023 • 9:00 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Virtual Meeting
Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) (Microsoft Teams)
Meeting ID: 269 498 732 560 **Passcode:** AU5LHA
Call in (audio only): 775-321-6111
Conference ID: 198 583 08#

Members Present

Aaron D. Ford, Attorney General, Chair
Christopher Hicks, Washoe County District Attorney, Vice Chair
John Jones, Chief Deputy District Attorney (for Clark County DA Steven Wolfson)
Tyler Ingram, Elko County District Attorney (for Douglas County DA Mark Jackson)
Carly Helbert, Las Vegas Assistant City Attorney
Jamie Prosser, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Assistant Sheriff

Staff Present

Michael K. Morton, Special Assistant Attorney General

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
Homa Woodrum, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

- *Wes Duncan was absent.*

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.

- *There was no public comment offered.*

3. **Approval of minutes of August 29, 2023 meeting. (For possible action)** (Attachment 1 – Draft minutes from August 29, 2023 Meeting).
 - *Christopher Hicks moved to approve the minutes of the August 29, 2023 meeting. John Jones seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously of the voting members, with Tyler Ingram abstaining.*

4. **Discussion on status of the 2023 Prosecutors Conference and possible vote to continue, postpone, or cancel the conference for 2023. (For possible action).**
 - *Chair Ford stated that the conference agenda as written was not commensurate with the expectations of the Advisory Council. Christopher Hicks asked if it can be postponed to September 2024, the traditional time for the annual conference. Homa Woodrum explained the contracting terms relating to postponement, and stated that such a postponement could be an option for the Advisory Council.*
 - *Carly Helbert states that lots of planning was done by those planning to attend the conference, including courts clearing their calendars for the conference.*
 - *Chair Ford asked Michael Morton to provide an update on conference attendance, which Michael Morton stated had dropped significantly due to various district attorney and city attorney offices dropping out of the conference.*
 - *Chris Hicks provided comments as to why this meeting was taking place and why various offices had concerns related to the conference's programming.*
 - *Homa Woodrum stated a concern related to the Open Meeting Law, regarding bringing up the character or professional conduct of a person who had not been provided proper notice of the meeting.*
 - *Chris Hicks moved to postpone the conference to September 2024. Tyler Ingram seconded the motion.*
 - *In discussion, Chair Ford stated reasonable minds can disagree, and defended portions of the conference agenda.*
 - *Carly Helbert voted no on the motion to postpone the conference. The rest of the members of the Advisory Council in attendance voted yes. Motion passed.*

5. **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).
 - *There were no additional comments from members of the Advisory Council.*

6. **Public Comment.**

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 - *There was no public comment offered.*

7. **Adjournment.**
 - *Carly Helbert moved to adjourn the meeting. John Jones seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn the meeting was unanimous.*