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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY  
NEVADA COMMISSION ON MINORITY AFFAIRS

*"The central advisory body advocating and providing a voice for Nevada's minority community."*

**MEETING MINUTES**

Name of the Agency: Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs

Date and Time of the Meeting: June 25, 2024, at 9:30am

Location: Remote meeting

**1. OPENING**

A. Call to order & Roll call

The meetings call to order at 9:32am by Chairwomen Gabriela Wyett

**Commission Members in Attendance:** Gabriela Wyett, Demetrius Ware, Nic Steele, Juanny Romero, Anabel Navarro, Nina Gallagher, Jon Lau

**Commission Members Absent:** None

**Department Leadership & Staff in Attendance:**

Marcel Schaerer, Deputy Director, Department of Business and Industry  
Michael Detmer, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Nevada Attorney General  
Angie Rojas, Management Analyst, Department of Business and Industry

**Members of the Public Present:**

Julio Jimenez, Sabrina Schnur, Ganesh Kadam, Erika Hernandez, Elyse Monroy, Belz & Case Government Affairs.

B. Silent Meditation & Pledge of Allegiance, conducted by Chair Wyett

C. Land Acknowledgements, conducted by Chair Wyett

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## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT (1<sup>st</sup> Period)

None

## 3. COMMISSION BUSINESS

### A. Approval of June 13, 2024, meeting minutes

Commissioner Navarro moved to approve; Commissioner Steele seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

### B. Continue review, discussion, and selection of Bill Draft Request (BDRs) for submission to the 2025 Legislative Session.

The Commission discussed the following BDR's proposals:

#### - Diverse reporting

To enhance business diversity within the procurement departments at city, county, rural, and state levels in Nevada, this Bill aims to establish a comprehensive reporting system for contracts awarded to minority, women-, veteran-, disabled-, and disadvantaged-owned business enterprises (herein referred to as "diverse-owned businesses"). The goal is to ensure transparency, accountability, and equitable participation of diverse-owned businesses in public procurement processes across Nevada. Implementing this Bill will provide valuable data to inform policy decisions, promote inclusivity, and support economic development for underrepresented communities.

- Commissioner Navarro moved to approve the motion; Commissioner Romero seconded. The Motion carried unanimously.

#### - Prompt Payment Law

It is imperative to ensure timely reimbursement for services rendered by healthcare providers to enhance the business environment for healthcare providers and improve access to care for all Nevada residents. Prompt payment by insurance companies will create a more stable and attractive landscape for new medical practices, ultimately benefiting the state's healthcare infrastructure. Additionally, it is important to recognize that delayed payments disproportionately affect minority communities, where residents may not have the financial means to pay out of pocket for healthcare services, unlike their more affluent counterparts.

- Commissioner Navarro moved to approve the motion; Commissioner Ware seconded. Commissioner Steele abstained from taking part in the voting. Motion carried.

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENT (2<sup>nd</sup> Period)

None

## 5. NEXT MEETING

July 11, 2024

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Ware moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Gallagher seconded. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 am.