# FOOD FOR PEOPLE NOT LANDFILL FOR THE COUNCIL ON FOOD SECURITY [DRAFT] MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 2020

The Council on Food Security Food for People, Not Landfills Subcommittee held a public meeting on November 9, 2020 beginning at approximately 1:00 P.M. via video and teleconference. This meeting was held in accordance with Governor Sisolak's Declaration of Emergency Directive 006; Subsection 1; The requirement contained in NRS 241.023 (1) (b) that there be a physical location designated for meetings of public bodies where members of the public are permitted to attend and participate is suspended.

## **Board Members Present**

**Board Members Not Present** 

Jodi Tyson, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives, Three Square Food Bank Brittany Price, Director of Sustainable Operations, MGM Resorts International Nevada Amanda Jerzak, Food Sourcing Manager, Three Square Food Bank Devin Wilcox, Social Services Specialist III, Nevada Department of Agriculture Marie Baxter, Chief Executive Officer, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada

# **DHHS Staff Present**

Laura Urban, Food Security and Wellness Manager, Office of Food Security (OFS), Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness (CFCW), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Cathy Wright, Administrative Assistant III, Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC), CFCW, DPBH

Jenny Stephenson, United State Environmental Protection Agency

Rachel Lewis, Southern Nevada Recycling Coordinator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Patricia Moen, Northern Nevada Recycling Coordinator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Cody Witt, Northern Nevada Manager, Full Circle Compost

# 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Announcements

Jodi Tyson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Roll call was taken, and it was determined a quorum of the Nevada Council on Food Security (CFS), Food for People Not Landfills (FFPNL) Subcommittee was present, per Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 439.518 § 2.

# 2. ACTION ITEM: Approval of minutes from September 14, 2020

CHAIR TYSON ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 MEETING MINUTES. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY AMANDA JERZAK. BRITTANY PRICE SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT PUBLIC COMMENT.

## 3. ACTION ITEM: Approval of minutes from October 2, 2020

CHAIR TYSON ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 2, 2020 MEETING MINUTES. A MOTION TO APPROVE WAS MADE BY AMANDA JERZAK ROBERTS. MARIE BAXTER SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT PUBLIC COMMENT.

#### 4. Present and discuss Nevada food waste data and national best practices

Jenny Stephenson presented on the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Excess Food Opportunities Map. Her presentation summarized how the FFPNL Subcommittee can use the map as a starting point for estimating food waste generated and managed in Nevada. Her presentation can be found <u>here</u>.

The FFPNL Subcommittee discussed how the EPA Excess Food Opportunities May could be used to inform the FFPNL Program goals. The group agreed to discuss further at the February 2021 FFPNL Subcommittee.

Rachel Lewis and Patricia Moen presented on Nevada food waste data and existing food rescue initiatives. Their presentation can be found <u>here</u>.

The FFPNL Subcommittee had no questions.

Chair Tyson asked for Public Comment.

Cody Witt from Full Circle Compost introduced himself, shared information of Full Circle Compost's current initiatives and focus, and demonstrated his support for the FFPNL Program. He stated FFPNL members can reach out to him with any questions.

#### 5. Present update on and discuss statewide food donation environmental scan

Chair Tyson stated Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada (CCNN) and Three Square Food Bank conducted an environmental scan of rural communities in Northern and Southern Nevada to assess additional existing food rescue/donation efforts and/or opportunities.

Ms. Baxter summarized the findings of the Northern Nevada environmental scan. She stated her team conducted informal outreach to rural partners and found many were apprehensive to share information. Ms. Baxter's team developed a report summarizing their findings. Ms. Baxter stated she would share with Ms. Urban to distribute to the FFPNL Subcommittee.

Amanda Jerzak provided an update on the environmental scan for Southern Nevada. She stated efforts are in-progress and that she will provide a report at a future meeting.

## 6. Present and discuss updates to the Local Food Rescue Baseline Report

Laura Urban presented the draft of the Local Food Rescue Baseline Report, which can be found <u>here</u>. She stated this report will be modified slightly and will be submitted as the 2020 FFPNL Annual Report, which is mandated per Senate Bill 178 of the 80<sup>th</sup> Nevada Legislative Session.

Ms. Tyson stated she will work with Ms. Urban to finalize the report on behalf of the Subcommittee.

Ms. Urban stated once the report is finalized it will be submitted to the Director of Health and Human Services and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

7. Present, discuss, and approve the Food for People, Not Landfills program seal Ms. Urban stated the seal has not been finalized. She will continue to keep the FFPNL Subcommittee updated regarding progress.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Tyson adjourned the meeting at 5:15 P.M.

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