# WOMEN VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WVAC)

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

## Wednesday, November 4, 2026 – 2:00pm

**Meeting Held and Public Access Located**

State of Nevada, Storey Building
7220 Bermuda Road
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Nevada Department of Veterans Services
9400 Gateway Dr.
Reno, NV 89511

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## AGENDA

**Please Note:** *The Women Veterans Advisory Committee may (1) address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Panel or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting; (2) combine items for consideration by the public body; and (3) pull or remove items from the agenda at any time. The Panel may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. See NRS 241.030. Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual the board may refuse to consider public comment. See NRS 233B.126.*

*At the discretion of the Chair, public comment is welcomed by the committee, but will be limited to five minutes per person. A public comment time will be available at the beginning of the meeting and then once again prior to adjournment of the meeting. The Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in his/her sole discretion. Once all items on the agenda are completed the meeting will adjourn.*

### 1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Members, and Establish Quorum

**Public Comment Statement:** *Members of the public are invited to call to make a public comment on items on the meeting agenda. No action may be taken on a matter raised during public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item for possible action.* Public comments are accepted via virtual.
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### 2. Public Comment

a. Introductions of public attendees

b. Public comments

**3. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes from 8-5-26 (For possible action)**

**4. WVAC Membership Status**

a. WVAC Membership Terms **(For Discussion)**

| Name | Term Ends | Position |
|---|---|---|
| Barbara Ortiz | 6-30-2029 | Chair |
| Annie Emprima | 6-30-2028 | Vice Chair |
| Christina Bradford | 6-30-2029 | |
| Sandy Schneeberger | 6-30-2027 | |
| Argie Moore | 6-30-2029 | |
| Mary Devine | | Director |
| Starlyn Lara | | NDVS WV |
| DAG Representation | | |
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**5. Reports**

a. NDVS Update – NDVS Representative
   i. Budget Report
   ii. Legislative Update
   iii. Upcoming Events
b. LV VA Womens Program Coordinator - Vienna Grace Austia-Herrera
c. Reno VA Womens Program Coordinator – Chelsea Benson
d. SL City VA Womens Program Coordinator – Toni Pegues

**6. Old Business**

a. WVAC Project **(For possible action)**
b. Women Veterans Conference 2027, Reno **(For possible action)**
c. Women Veterans of Nevada Reno Chapter Update **(For discussion)**

**7. New Business**

a. Woman Veteran of the Year **(For possible action)**
b. Veteran Service Orgnization Events **(For discussion)**

**8. Dates and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (For possible action)**

c. Meetings for 2027
   (1) February 3, 2027
   (2) March 12, 2027 (In-person)
   (3) May 5, 2027
   (4) August 4, 2027
   (5) November 3, 2027

## 9. WVAC Committee Members Comments

## 10. Public Comment

## 11. Adjournment

**Note:** *No vote may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)*

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