

**Nevada Animal Shelter Site Selection Committee**  
**Thursday, March 26, 2020**  
**4:00PM**

**Committee Members attending via Zoom teleconference:**

1. Anna Bourland (resident)
2. Casey Crain (Chief of Police)
3. Kathleen Day (resident)
4. Ben Douglas (Animal Control Officer)
5. Lyndon Eberhard (City Council member)
6. Carol Gallagher (Mayor Pro Tem)
7. Pauletta Lechman (resident)
8. Sarah Quick (resident)
9. Gary Scott (resident)
10. Janet Wray (resident)

**Guests in Attendance:**

11. Lori Baldwin (City of Nevada - Animal Shelter manager)
12. George Knox (Mayor)
13. Randy Marti (City of Nevada - Administrative Services Director)

**Discussion**

1. Welcome & Charge of the committee
  - a. The Mayor's charge to this committee is to evaluate options for a new Animal Shelter, based on criteria developed by staff and experts, and make a proposal to the City Council. It is also hoped that the committee will help with educating and informing the public of the process and the site.
2. Review of City Properties for consideration
  - a. The committee reviewed the eight [proposed sites](#) owned by the city of Nevada for possible location of the Nevada Animal Shelter. Concerns included visibility from a major street/highway, sewer connection and flood plane status, road-building to site, and proximity to home-owners.
3. Review of additional properties offered
  - a. The committee also looked at land to be donated for this purpose. Most had similar concerns. Five (5) [properties](#) were reviewed.
4. Planning: The committee settled on two primary locations:
  - a. Marmaduke Park because the city already owns the land and soil samples are good. Closest home owners (who have expressed concern) are 1,700+ feet away, separated by foliage, and we hope to convince them to

accept the shelter by using sound-proofing elements and addressing other concerns raised.

- b. The other was labeled 1525 Rd., 5 acres of land offered by Mr. Beard (?), just northeast of the state hospital. Advantages are closeness to the interstate and lack of close home-owners. However, Chief Casey will need to look into sewer connection cost and a road will need to be built to the building from Ash Street.
5. Contingency planning
    - a. Next, the problem of getting the word out arose. Because everyone reads and has access to different places and media, we decided to create a physical flyer (designed by Kathleen) which we could use on social media, along with interviews with the newspaper and radio, the weekly chamber notices, emailing local friends, and various business web sites and FaceBook.
6. Our consensus will be presented to Nevada's City Council, ideally at the April 7 meeting.
    - a. It is important to get the ball rolling rather than continue recruiting land and volunteer supporters.