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Mr. Steve Hill, Chair  
Southern Nevada Tourism Infrastructure Committee  
Governor's Office of Economic Development  
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Dear Chairman Hill:

I regret that I am unable to attend this week's meeting of the Southern Nevada Tourism Infrastructure Committee (SNTIC), but I sit on the Southern Nevada Health District Board and the meeting is at the same time as the SNTIC's meeting. Please enter my letter under public comment.

I, along with many constituents, have been watching the discussions about the remodeling and expansion of the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA) and the room tax needed to assist with that proposal. The LVCVA and its related proposal are in my Commission District.

I first want to note that recently the discussion of a stadium and NFL team has entered into the discussion concerning LVCVA. In my opinion that discussion should not even be considered. A proposed stadium is nothing more than a distraction to the discussion of updating LVCVA and its proposed expansion. Room taxes are public and if someone wishes to build a stadium they should use their private dollars to build it—no public taxes should be utilized in any format.

After reviewing the proposed language for submission to the legislature, it appears that Section 2, Distribution of proceeds; use of funds, appropriates the money only for expansion and to maintain, improve, etcetera the convention authority. This language on its face appears appropriate.

Section 3 states that the tax **may not** be used for seven specific areas, but item 5 and 6 are most important.

- (5) To improve and expand recreational facilities other than those authorized in Section 2;
- (6) To construct, purchase or acquire recreational facilities other than those authorized in Section 2;

On its face it correctly prohibits other "recreational facilities" from being considered for funding. I'm requesting you add a number 8 to read: The room tax dollars shall not be expended to build a stadium. That would make it clear as to the intent.

I do hope your discussions are redirected to the legislative intent which was improvements and expansion of LVC VA and nothing more. One thing not addressed is the length of time the .05 would be collected and I'd suggest a public review period of the expenditures, deliverables and accomplishments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chris Giunchigliani".

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Cc: Lawrence Weekly  
Steve Sisolak