

Mayor Celeste Johnson and City Council (Lisa Orme, Steve Dougherty,
Jeff Drury, Kevin Payne and JC Simonsen)
75 N 100 W
Midway, City 84049

Re: High Valley Arts Center

Dear Mayor Johnson and City Council Members,

Thank you for your devoted service to our community. You are each individually and collectively an inspiration of civic service preserving our community as a choice place to live.

This is to express my support for consideration and approval of a performing arts center in Midway. I understand the current proposal is for a location at the base of Memorial Hill.

I am grateful for your care and concern to control the growth of our community. In general, I favor controlled growth. As we all know, part of the magic of our community is its small-town charm and rural character. We hope that won't be lost in the coming years.

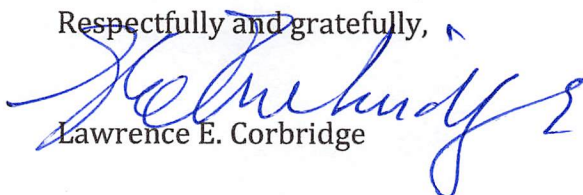
My wife was raised in Boulder City, Nevada which years ago passed a growth ordinance limiting growth to less than 3% per year. As a result, the community of her childhood is much the same today as when she was a young girl. It retains its "small town feel" unlike its sprawling neighboring communities of Henderson and Las Vegas. Driving into Boulder City from Las Vegas/Henderson is a breath of fresh air. We all experience that same dynamic even more accentuated driving into this valley from any direction.

As for the property in question, already under development, a community arts center is far more appealing and would make a far more valuable and unique contribution to the character of Midway than additional housing, offices or commercial buildings in the same development.

We also have the advantage of knowing that such a proposal is not "pie in the sky" because High Valley Arts has demonstrated an unusual investment and devotion to the community of Midway over the years. One may question whether Midway has the population base to support such a center, but the history of High Valley Arts seems to demonstrate that it does. It is particularly timely to consider the proposal now, as we continue to be the beneficiaries of High Valley Arts dedication and devotion to our community.

Thank you for your valiant service to our community and favorable consideration of the proposal for a performing arts center in Midway.

Respectfully and gratefully,


Lawrence E. Corbridge