

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

BILL NO. 2024-22

(Adopts prohibitions and limitations regarding the purchase of scrap metal, consistent with and supplementary to State law on the subject)

This business impact statement was prepared pursuant to NRS 237.090 to address the impact of the contents of a proposed ordinance, Bill No. 2024-22, that will adopt prohibitions and limitations regarding the purchase of scrap metal, consistent with and supplementary to State law on the subject.

1. The following constitutes a description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their responses and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

It is not known how many existing or potential businesses might be affected by the proposal. It is likely that much of the traffic in scrap metal involves sales and purchases by persons not licensed to sell or purchase, as the case may be. In an effort to reach out to known businesses, the City sent email notifications to 3 known businesses that might be affected, consisting of business licensees with possibly applicable secondhand dealer licenses. No trade associations associated with the purchase of scrap metal were identified. In addition, email notifications were sent to approximately 38 other recipients, consisting of chambers of commerce, trade associations, and other assorted parties and entities that may have an interest. Included in that list were the following chambers of commerce and trade associations:

Asian Chamber of Commerce
Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce
Henderson Chamber of Commerce
Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce
Latin Chamber of Commerce
Urban Chamber of Commerce
Women's Chamber of Commerce-Nevada
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The draft language of the proposal was made available on the City's website and at the offices of the City's Business Licensing Division. Recipients and viewers of the notification were invited to respond in writing and to submit comments, data or arguments regarding whether the proposal would impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a business or directly restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a business.

The City received no written responses, and no local chambers of commerce or trade associations requested a workshop regarding the proposal.

2. The estimated economic effect of the rule on businesses, including, without limitation, both adverse and beneficial effects, and both direct and indirect effects:

Adverse effects:

Although no adverse effects were identified by means of responses to the solicitation, it is believed that the requirements and limitations on purchase transactions will impact purchasers to some degree, particularly to the extent that purchasers are not already implementing those requirements and limitations under other applicable law or under their own practices.

Beneficial effects:

The restrictions and limitations on purchases are designed to help discourage theft of scrap metal, as well as the corresponding effect on business and government operations that are compromised or interrupted by scrap metal theft.

Direct effects:

See adverse and beneficial effects above.

Indirect effects:

None identified.

3. The following constitutes a description of the methods the local government considered to reduce the impact of the rule on businesses and a statement regarding whether any, and if so which, of these methods were used:

Not applicable.

4. The estimate of the annual cost to the local government for enforcement of the rule is:

Approximately \$11,388. This represents the estimated cost associated with a license officer assigned to monitoring and enforcement, spending approximately 300 hours annually.

5. If the rule provides for a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount expected to be collected is:

Not applicable.

6. If the rule provides for a new fee or increases an existing fee, the money generated by the new fee or increase in existing fee will be used by the local government to:

Not applicable.

7. If the rule includes provisions that duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, the following explains why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary:

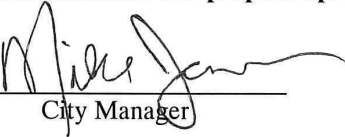
Although current state and local law already address the theft and sale of scrap metal, and to some degree its purchase, existing provisions have been difficult to enforce. This proposal is designed to include additional approaches to the problem by imposing additional restrictions and limitations on purchasers, whether properly licensed or not.

8. The reasons for the conclusions regarding the impact of the rule on businesses:

It is believed that the proposal imposes modest and reasonable additional restrictions on purchases of scrap metal that will help discourage and slow the theft of scrap metal and the corresponding impacts.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge or belief, the information contained in this business impact statement was prepared properly and is accurate.


By: _____
City Manager

Date: June 12, 2024