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# The City of Las Vegas transforms to create the city of the future

## Client profile

The City of Las Vegas is the 28th most populous city in the US. A center for the entertainment industry, the city has 600,000 residents and hosts more than 40 million visitors every year.

**'Cities that invest, cities that learn, cities that understand the technology will be the cities of the future.'**

**Michael Sherwood,**  
Director, Innovation and  
Technology, City of Las Vegas

## Summary

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## Vision

### Why Las Vegas needed to become a connected city

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With more than 40 million visitors a year, the city faces huge pressures on their infrastructure. The intelligent application of technology was essential to provide services not just to the huge influx of tourists, but Las Vegas' 600,000 residents.

Building an intelligent city required access to information about what was happening in real-time. The City of Las Vegas needed to capture, analyze, and share relevant information as quickly as possible, allowing for the appropriate response to any situation.



### Which technologies?

- Artificial intelligence
- Automation and orchestration

### Which services?

- Managed Services
- Consulting Services
- Technology Infrastructure Services
- Cloud Services

### Which partners?

- Dell Technologies
- NTT DATA
- VMware

**'It's not just about getting the data back. It's about getting the data back when it's useful.'**

**Lester Lewis**, Deputy IT  
Director, City of Las Vegas

## Transformation

### How data helps Las Vegas to connect better

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The City of Las Vegas deployed a multitude of different sensors monitoring activity within the city. These included CCTV cameras paired with analytics software, as well as sensors to monitor other potential impacts to the city, including traffic flow and weather.

With huge amounts of data collection, and with limited resources, AI and machine learning was 'also employed', removing significant burden from key city personnel.

The system delivers highly valuable insights for critical decision-making, in real time.

## Results

### What being connected means for the citizens of Las Vegas

The information generated by the connected city systems makes a positive impact on the day-to-day lives of both residents and visitors. Intelligent data allows for real-time decision-making.

Data generated by traffic flows is used to intelligently route vehicles, reduce congestion and get people to their destination faster. This allows emergency services to be deployed with extreme accuracy, dispatching the right resources to handle any issues.

Advanced facial recognition, when combined with greater CCTV coverage can search for missing children, for example. This dramatically reduces the time needed to find them.

For the City of Las Vegas, building an intelligent city has allowed them to collect data efficiently, enhancing the lives of both residents and visitors alike.

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