



## **CITY OF CARSON**

### **MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 3, 2021 5:00 P.M.**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes via Zoom Teleconference.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary Joy Simarago noted the roll:

#### **Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Present via Zoom Teleconference:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Jim Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jawane Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Cedric Hicks

#### **Also Present via Zoom Teleconference:**

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; Sharon Landers, City Manager; Sunny Soltani, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; David Roberts, Assistant City Manager; John Raymond, Assistant City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Robert Lennox, Director of Community Services; Faye Moseley, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management; Tarik Rahmani, Director of Finance; and Eliza Jane Whitman, Director of Public Works

#### **FLAG SALUTE:**

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **INVOCATION:**

**Item No. 1. [2021-825](#) PASTOR HECTOR HERNANDEZ, APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE**

Pastor Hector Hernandez clarified he is the Pastor of Emeritus Inspired Church. He gave the invocation.

## **CLOSED SESSION (Items 2-5)**

**REPORT ON ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY CLERK) -**  
None

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY ATTORNEY)**

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced the Closed Session items.

## **RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The meeting was recessed at 5:06 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

## **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened at 6:23 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes with all members previously noted present.

## **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS (CITY ATTORNEY)**

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani provided the Closed Session report as follows:

### **Item No. 2. [2021-699](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which the City is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Thompson v. City of Carson; LASC Case No. 20STCV21039.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

### **Item No. 3. [2021-856](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which the City is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Rafael, Alexy v. City of Carson, Workers' Comp. Appeals Board, Marina Del Rey. WCAB Case No. ADJ9163423.

ACTION: Will take up later in the meeting.

At 9:35 P.M., City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani reported there was no reportable action taken.

### **Item No. 4. [2021-838](#) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, with Sharon Landers, City Manager and Faye Moseley, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management of City, its negotiators, regarding labor negotiations with AME, CPSA affiliated with SEIU Local 721, AFSCME 1017 and AFSCME Local 809.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

**Item No. 5. 2021-672 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4) because the City is considering whether to initiate litigation in two cases.

ACTION: Case 1 – No reportable action; Case 2 – The City Council authorized litigation against the County of Los Angeles due to their lack of urgent reaction to the public emergency related to the Dominguez Channel and instructed staff to work with neighboring cities to provide a coalition that deals with this public emergency.

**INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)**

**Item No. 6. [2021-828](#) UPDATE ON DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL FOUL ODOR**

City Manager Landers introduced Russ Bryden, Incident Commander, Los Angeles County Public Works (LACPW), who gave an update on the Dominguez Channel Foul Odor. He noted questions can be directed to the Joint Information Center at [pio@pw.lacounty.gov](mailto:pio@pw.lacounty.gov).

Mayor and City Council offered comments.

Russ Bryden stated he would follow up with the City Manager.

City Manager Landers clarified about the technical meetings that the County, State, and Federal government are working together.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes noted the city has made several requests that Assistant City Manager Raymond, City Manager Landers, and Director Whitman be involved in the process. Russ Bryden stated he would take the request back to the County.

After Item No. 6, Captain Jones reported/announced the following:

- Virtual Town Hall Meeting on October 26, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.
- Trunk or Treat Event on October 30, 2021 went well; offered tips
- Safe Driving Traffic Campaign; addressed commercial vehicle and unattended trailer issues; issued citations and towed 17 trailers; and continuing the efforts
- Homeless Deputies assisted homeless woman who reunited with her family
- Dating crimes; gave safe dating information

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear inquired if the Carson Sheriff Station is offering dating etiquette in the school system. Captain Jones responded to Mayor Pro Tem Dear's inquiry.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested Captain Jones to bring new replacement for Sergeant Geramendi at the next meeting. Captain Jones responded he would bring Sergeant Armando Hernandez to a future meeting.

**Item No. 7. 2021-123      RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS NATIONAL      DIABETES  
AWARENESS MONTH**

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear read the proclamation.

Assistant to the City Manager Michael George noted the recipient is not available.

**Item No. 8. [2021-124](#)      PROCLAMATION      RECOGNIZING      NOVEMBER      AS  
PREMATURITY AWARENESS MONTH**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested to continue this item to the next meeting.

This item was heard again after Item No. 9.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes read the proclamation and presented to Valerie Preston who offered comments and words of gratitude.

**Item No. 9. [2021-125](#)      PROCLAMATION      RECOGNIZING      NOVEMBER      AS  
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES MONTH**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton read the proclamation. He stated he sought out an organization to give the proclamation and groups of indigenous peoples and will forward them the proclamation.

**Item No. 10. [2021-126](#)      PROCLAMATION      RECOGNIZING      SMALL      BUSINESS  
SATURDAY**

Item No. 10 was heard after Item No. 8.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read the proclamation. He noted recipients of the proclamation are GBros Promotional Products and Services by Jeanette Gonzalez and Fresh & Meaty Burgers, Inc. by Shaleah Upshaw.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked if Jeanette Gonzalez or Walter Gonzalez was available.

Shaleah Upshaw along with her fiancé and mother accepted the proclamation, offered comments, and words of gratitude.

**Item No. 11. [2021-854](#)**

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING LA VS. HATE/UNITED  
AGAINST HATE WEEK**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read the proclamation. He noted recipients of the proclamation are Christine Cardenas, Member of the LA versus Hate, and Chairperson of Conflict Management Negotiation Peace Keeping is Dr. Brian Jarrett from California State University Dominguez Hills.

Christine Cardenas accepted the proclamation with words of gratitude and offered comments.

Dr. Brian Jarrett accepted the proclamation with words of gratitude and offered comments.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Item No. 12. [2021-853](#)**

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM SENATOR STEVEN  
BRADFORD**

City Manager Landers noted Senator Steven Bradford had a conflict with his schedule and will come back at a future meeting.

**Item No. 13. [2021-587](#)**

**PRESENTATION FROM CALWATER REGARDING WATER  
CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY OF CARSON**

City Manager Landers introduced Tammie Myers, Conservation Coordinator, and Ralph Felix, Operations Manager. Tammie Myers gave a PowerPoint presentation on Water-Efficiency Programs.

Director Whitman continued the PowerPoint Presentation on Rebates for Park Equipment Upgrades: Phase I (Q1 2022), Carson's Phase II (Q2-3 2022), Carson's Park Facilities Water Consumption, and Non-Residential Water Consumption.

Tammie Myers continued the PowerPoint Presentation on Non-Residential Water Consumption, Carson's Proposed City Hall Landscape Upgrade, Drought Tolerant Landscape, and Contact Information.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear inquired if there is a program to help residents and businesses replacing valves. Tammie Myers responded to his inquiry and confirmed water conservation information is available on their website.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks referred to the medians throughout the city and asked about the status of reclaimed water.

City Manager Landers stated there is a strong interest in partnering with CalWater on obtaining recycled pipes in the medians but CalWater has not been open to partnering on this matter.

Director Whitman noted in the current Capital Improvement Project (CIP) there are plans for a recycled water master plan and can work with CalWater and West Basin Municipal Water District to make it happen.

Tammie Myers stated she looks forward to setting up a future meeting with the City and West Basin Municipal Water District to move forward in a positive manner.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested that the medians look similar to Indian Wells, a plant-based drought tolerant look. City Manager Landers stated she will move forward in that regard.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton referred to Director Lennox who worked on a project in Menifee on reclaimed water with medians and can work with Tammie Myers and Director Whitman. Director Lennox stated he would be happy to help and spoke about the \$2 million irrigation system.

**Item No. 14. [2021-756](#)      **RECOGNITION FOR VARIOUS INDUSTRIES AND AGENCIES  
IN THE CITY OF CARSON FOR COMPLIANCE WITH LOS  
ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT WASTEWATER  
DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020****

City Manager Landers introduced Basil Hewitt with the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD). He introduced Jyoti Banaji, Engineer in the Industrial Waste Department of LACSD. She spoke about a special certificate recognition program for the industrial waste dischargers. Each calendar year this program honors industries that have been in full compliance with the sanitation district's industrial waste requirements. This year is the 25<sup>th</sup> year of the program.

She displayed a list of the 32 industries/companies who received the Certificate of Recognition in recognition of their full compliance with all Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts' industrial waste requirements.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if anything was sent to the companies. City Manager Landers stated it is the plan to do so.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC)**

Rick Pulido, Environmental Commissioner - Item No. 17

Offered comments regarding the following: Beautification project; plant attractive plants; reminded the City Manager and Director Whitman to respond to his requests regarding the slurries in District 2 and District 4 which need paving and potholes along 220<sup>th</sup> Street from Figueroa Street to Avalon Boulevard, 223<sup>rd</sup> Street from Figueroa Street to Avalon Boulevard; need tree planting; street sweeping issue – trees need to be trimmed for street sweeper; remind the street sweeper ticketing staff to not ticket the residents until after the street sweeper has passed their house; South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has a meeting regarding the 1109-1 Rule; a letter from the City of Carson and the Environmental Commission discussed and concurred to respond this week which the City Manager and Director Whitman are aware and would hope the City sends a letter which affects the refineries; congratulated new Council Member-Elect Arleen Rojas for her election.

William Koons - Item No. 6

Reported Jesse Marquez' group had a press conference today and is asking the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to step in and help the city in that regard; offered solution to the

Dominguez Channel foul odor; the County's process is a temporary solution

Liz Foisia – Item No. 6

Stated the County representative came across pompous and rude; asked what happened to the independent investigation requested by Council Member Hilton; admonish the LACPW representative for his poor presentation; inquired what is the excellent conduit that the County representative referred from the City Manager; Carson residents are getting too little too late

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes advised Liz Foisia that the City Council instructed the City Manager to move forward with a civil lawsuit, hire an outside investigator, and part of the State's EPA.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear stated he would step aside from the dais and speak as a private citizen and offered the following comments: Congratulated Rick Pulido on being selected as Chairperson of the Environmental Commission; congratulated William Koons on being selected as Vice Chair of the Environmental Commission; congratulated Council Member-Elect Arleen Bocatija Rojas for a job well done on her campaign; congratulated other candidates who won and who did not win for participating in civic engagement to help make democracy work; Oral Communications should be restored to both telephone calls and email messages as previously done at several meetings; have hybrid system that would engage more citizens

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes and Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear congratulated newly elected City Clerk Myla Rahman on a job well done.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Item No. 15. [2021-849](#)      APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 4, 2021 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES AND MARCH 11, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Recommendation:            Approve the minutes as listed.

ACTION:      It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Dear, seconded by Hilton and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:            Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes:            None

Abstain:        None

Absent:         None

**CONSENT: (Items 16-27)**

It was moved to approve the Consent items on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Hilton.



Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear referred to Item No. 21 and stated he will recuse himself from voting due to owning property although more than 500 feet away to avoid the appearance of impropriety and will establish a none vote on the item nor discussing the item.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested to remove Item No. 18 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 16-27, except Items No. 18 and recusal by Council Member Dear for Item No. 21, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Item No. 16. [2021-851](#) Resolution No. 21-148, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,122,027.47, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 159979 THROUGH 160217**

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 17. [2021-827](#) CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY PROJECTS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this report.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 18. [2021-847](#) CONSIDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL CITY CREDIT CARDS; INCREASING THE CREDIT LIMIT TO \$80,000 PER CREDIT CARD AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDERS FOR NEEDED EMERGENCY ITEMS IN RESPONSE TO CITY PROCLAIMED LOCAL EMERGENCIES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Item No.18 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

City Manager Landers gave a report.

Director Rahmani elaborated on the report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton gave an opportunity to City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Cooper to speak on the item.



City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Cooper expressed concern on this item because of the continual challenges that the Finance Department and City Treasurer's Department have with those who hold the P cards. The guidelines are not being followed and explained the ongoing issue. She suggested for emergencies to have one card perhaps she can hold in her department with a credit limit and the credit card be used only for designated emergencies that are designated by the Mayor and City Council.

City Manager Landers stated she does not have a problem with the City Treasurer being given a credit card during emergencies but concern with only one person because if there is an earthquake and the City Treasurer is not available and may not be able to get back to the city, therefore, would like to have two card holders.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if the City Manager has a credit card. City Manager responded yes but did not know the limit. Director Rahmani stated the credit limit is \$40,000 that can be increased. The entire city has about \$400,000 on all credit cards. The city's credit card resolution approved by the City Council authorized the Chief Deputy City Treasurer to have a credit card but chose not to have one.

City Manager Landers stated the declaration or proclamation of the emergency is what should trigger the use of the credit card and should not be available for any other occasion.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated the City Treasurer and City Manager should have one; have open purchase orders (PO's) of all the companies (suppliers) surrounding City Hall to obtain supplies, equipment, etc. for an emergency.

City Manager Landers stated it is part of the staff recommendation.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked the City Treasurer her recommendation.

City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Cooper stated as the Mayor suggested that the credit card be used for emergency purposes and be issued by the City Treasurer and City Manager which she has no issue with that as long as the credit card is only used for an emergency. She does not support increasing the credit limit and the need for better control of the guidelines on how to process credit card payments monthly.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked how many credit cards were issued. City Manager Landers responded there are three.

Director Rahmani stated the city has four credit cards: two for Buyers, Emergency Services Manager, and the City Manager.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested the City Treasurer have one in place of one of the Buyers.

Director Rahmani noted the policy is very clear and emphasized the credit card holder's responsibilities and issue another card or two.

City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Cooper stated she did not have a problem to have a credit card. She thought of having a separate credit card with a large credit limit from the P cards for the City Treasurer and City Manager for declared emergency only.

Recommendation:                **CONSIDER** authorizing the issuance of additional City credit cards; to increase the credit limit to \$80,000 per credit card and the issuance of purchase orders for needed emergency items.

ACTION:            It was moved to direct staff to bring back a resolution in the formulation that the Mayor and City Council can concur on motion of Dear, seconded by Hicks with no objection heard.

City Manager Landers reminded the Mayor and City Council to address the purchase order issue.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes directed staff to also bring back the issuance of purchase orders for needed emergency items in addition to the issuance of credit cards for the City Manager and City Treasurer and current P cards at the next meeting with no objection heard.

**Item No. 19. [2021-835](#)        **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 74940: DEVELOPMENT OF 9 RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM LOCATED AT 123 E. 223RD STREET (CITY COUNCIL)****

Recommendation:                TAKE the following actions:  
1. APPROVE Tract Map No. 74940 for 9 residential condominium units located at 123 E. 223rd Street.  
2. MAKE the findings listed in the body of this report.  
3. ACCEPT the bonds and improvement securities listed in the body of this report.  
4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to endorse the certificate that embodies the approval of said Tract Map on the face of Tract Map No. 74940.

ACTION:            Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 20. [2021-834](#)        **CONSIDERATION OF: (1) RESOLUTION NO. 21-133, GRANTING CONSENT AND JURISDICTION TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT-1, CARSON ZONE, CITY OF CARSON, PROJECT NO. 32-37A (L 155-0A) ; AND (2) RESOLUTION NO. 21-134, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION OF PROJECT NO. 32-37A (L 155-0A) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697 (CITY COUNCIL)****

Recommendation:                TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-133 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING CONSENT AND JURISDICTION TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT-1, CARSON ZONE, CITY OF CARSON, PROJECT No. 32-37A (L155-0A)."
2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-134 "A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 8 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION OF PROJECT No. 32-37A (L155-0A) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697."

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 21. [2021-833](#) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 76070: DEVELOPMENT OF A FOUR-STORY, 32-UNIT RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM PROJECT LOCATED AT 21809-21811 S. FIGUEROA STREET (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE Tract Map No. 76070 for a four-story, 32-unit residential condominium project located at 21809-21811 S. Figueroa Street.
2. MAKE the findings listed in the body of this report.
3. APPROVE and ACCEPT the bonds and improvement securities listed in the body of this report.
4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to endorse the certificate that embodies the approval of said Tract Map on the face of Tract Map No. 76070.

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent with recusal by Council Member Dear for Item No. 21 as noted earlier during the vote.

**Item No. 22. [2021-832](#) CONSIDER AWARDING PURCHASE AGREEMENTS TO QUINN COMPANY, RDO EQUIPMENT COMPANY, AND CRAFTCO INCORPORATED FOR THE PURCHASES OF ONE NEW CATERPILLAR 415IL INDUSTRIAL LOADER, ONE NEW CATERPILLAR CB2.7 TANDEM VIBRATORY UTILITY COMPACTOR, ONE NEW VERMEER SC70TX STUMP**

**GRINDER AND BUTLER LT712 TRAILER, AND ONE NEW KM INTERNATIONAL KM 8000T ASPHALT HOT BOX TRAILER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS RIGHT OF WAY AND LANDSCAPE, BUILDING & MAINTENANCE (LBM) DIVISIONS; AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION 21-144 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE BUDGET**

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the formal bid process defined by the Carson Municipal Code, Section 2607, as allowed by Section 2605 (1) (ii).
2. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Manager to utilize Cooperative Purchasing as allowed by Section 2611 (g) to issue a purchase order for \$183,480.64 to Quinn Company of City of Industry, for the purchases of one new Caterpillar 415IL Industrial Loader for \$127,311.57 (Exhibit No. 1) and one new Caterpillar CB2.7 Tandem Vibratory Utility Compactor for \$56,169.07 (Exhibit No. 2).
3. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Manager to utilize Cooperative Purchasing as allowed by Section 2611 (g) to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$91,390.48 to RDO Equipment Company of Rancho Dominguez for the purchases of one new Vermeer SC70X Stump Grinder and Butler LT712 Trailer (Exhibit No. 3).
4. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Manager to utilize Cooperative Purchasing as allowed by Section 2611 (g) and issue a purchase order in the amount of \$53,447.53 to Crafcro Incorporated of Fontana for the purchase of one new KM International KM 8000T Asphalt Hot Box Trailer (Exhibit No. 4).
5. ADOPT Resolution 21-144, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE BUDGET"

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 23. [2021-843](#)

**CONSIDER APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT SERVICES WITH ECS IMAGING, INC FOR LASERFICHE CLOUD DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

1. APPROVE a three-year annual support contract with ECS Imaging, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$39,585.00; with two City options to extend for additional one-year periods (exclusive of the not to exceed amount); and
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 24. [2021-842](#)**

**CONSIDER AN AWARD FOR MAINTENANCE AND  
HARDWARE SUPPORT CONTRACT TO INTELLI-FLEX INC.  
FOR THE AVAYA PHONE SYSTEM (CITY COUNCIL)**

**Recommendation:**

1. APPROVE a three-year annual maintenance, repair and hardware support contract to Intelli-Flex Inc. for the City's Avaya city-wide phone system, with two City options to extend for additional one-year periods, in an amount not to exceed \$51,338.64; and
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**ACTION:** Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 25. [2021-857](#)**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN  
THE MATTER OF SANDRA DAVIS V. CITY OF CARSON, ET  
AL., LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO.  
20STCV15409 (CITY COUNCIL)**

**Recommendation:**

- TAKE the following actions:
1. Approve the Settlement Agreement (Exhibit 1).
  2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Settlement Agreement, and any related documents, to resolve the litigation.

**ACTION:** Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 26. [2021-791](#)**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT  
AGREEMENT, AS WELL AS RESOLUTION NO. 21-149  
ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT THAT  
IMPLEMENTS THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR NEW  
SALARY SCHEDULES BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON  
AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND  
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES UNION (AFSCME), LOCAL 809,  
REPRESENTING THE UNCLASSIFIED PART-TIME  
EMPLOYEES BARGAINING UNIT RETROACTIVELY FOR THE  
PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31,  
2022. PERB CASE NO. LA-CE-1461-M (CITY COUNCIL)**

Item No. 26 was heard after Item No. 32.

City Manager Landers requested an update of the item.

Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary Simarago noted an updated version of Resolution No. 21-149 accompanied by a Tentative Agreement that the City Clerk's Office received via email from Director of Human Resources Faye Moseley who requested be read into the record.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes confirmed she received the updated version of Resolution No. 21-149 today with no objection heard.

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND RISK MANAGMEENT, AND DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS, TO RESOLVE THE LITIGATION.

2. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 21-149 ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT THAT IMPLEMENTS THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR NEW SALARY SCHEDULES BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES UNION (AFSCME), LOCAL 809, REPRESENTING THE UNCLASSIFIED PART-TIME EMPLOYEES BARGAINING UNIT RETROACTIVELY FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022. PERB CASE NO. LA-CE-1461-M (CITY COUNCIL)

ACTION: Item No. 26 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 27. 2021-761** **CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION RE-AUTHORIZING THE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE CITY TO BE CONDUCTED VIA REMOTE TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(E) FOR A CONTINUED 30-DAY PERIOD (CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY, HOUSING AUTHORITY)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

ADOPT Resolution No. 21-150, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY BOARD, MAKING FINDINGS RELATED TO THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO COVID-19 AND RE-AUTHORIZING THE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY TO BE CONDUCTED VIA REMOTE TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) FOR A CONTINUED 30-DAY PERIOD." (Exhibit No. 1)

ACTION: Item No. 27 was approved on Consent.

**DISCUSSION: (Items 28-32)**

**Item No. 28. [2021-830](#)** **UPDATE ON EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION PROCESS FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Item No. 28 was heard after Item No. 18.

City Manager Landers presented the item.

Emergency Services Manager Raymond Cheung presented a video of Alert Southbay; [www.alertsouthbay.com](http://www.alertsouthbay.com) and provided ways to register.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton asked how to ensure that everyone is included to be alerted of an emergency. Is there a list operating from? Can we add to the city website for those to opt in? Can we have the flyer posted on social media accounts for everyone to opt in the feature?

Emergency Services Manager Cheung responded that the information is posted on the City website and the Carson Report. He encouraged everyone to register in the system to receive notifications; part of the Everbridge app allows access to the wireless emergency alert system which does not require folks to register which is included in most modern mobile phones. However, the use of the system is restricted for immediate threat of a regional area; system was used during the recent earthquake, Avalon fire, and the Dominguez Channel situation.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks expressed concern that everyone was not notified of the Dominguez Channel odor; not everyone is connected to a computer/new technology and how can residents be reached who may not be technology savvy; need to put something in place that encompasses everyone in the city. He inquired how was the Alert Southbay marketed when it was implemented in the summer as he did not receive an alert.

Emergency Services Manager Cheung stated The Walking Man was used to provide information to the residents and can do more publicity around Alert Southbay.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks would like staff to ensure to have something in place to notify all residents of an emergency in the city and how to get help.

City Manager Landers noted there are two levels of use for the alert system and requested Emergency Services Manager Cheung to explain the emergency and who it would alert when it is an emergency which is different from the sign-up system.

Emergency Services Manager Cheung explained the Everbridge system with the different ways to reach folks – require opt in and encourage folks to register. There is a listing of landlines in the system because of Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations and can only access those using when there is an immediate threat to life safety; that restriction makes it harder to use that database which was used after the Avalon fire for the area surrounding the property to notify the residents. There is also the wireless emergency alert that is standard on cell phones. There are varying levels of ability to send messages and encourage the opt ins because those are the ones that are most flexible to send messages to reach people.

City Manager Landers stated if there was to be considered a life-threatening danger then would be able to utilize the rotary phones and the alert system to cell phones.

Emergency Services Manager Cheung discussed the wireless emergency alert system.



City Manager Landers stated the Dominguez Channel incident has not been defined as a life-threatening emergency, therefore, was not able to utilize those particular systems that Emergency Services Manager Cheung spoke about that would be for a life-threatening emergency which is why would like people to sign up for Alert SouthBay. The sign-up system gives more flexibility to update folks.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks expressed the Dominguez Channel incident is life threatening for individuals suffering from the incident and would like the same urgency and something in place that will address disseminating information to the residents.

City Manager Landers requested Emergency Services Manager Cheung to explain the trigger for the emergency call out.

Emergency Services Manager Cheung stated staff asked about using the system to reach landlines early on and the Alert SouthBay administrator advised that it would not be within the FCC regulations looking at the immediate life threatening. The message would have some called action to direct them to take immediate action within the next few minutes to protect life or property that is generally what they are looking for using the landline database. Not everyone has landlines, therefore, the system is limited.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton echoed the sentiments of Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks. Staff needs to look at another or additional alert system for the city because who is Alert SouthBay to determine the level of life-threatening emergency in the City of Carson.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated this was a test on how responsive we are to the residents; expressed concern if the city has a major earthquake how will we respond. She asked how the residents will be notified if the city had to evacuate.

Emergency Services Manager Cheung stated will use every avenue that Alert SouthBay offers including registered cell phones, landlines, and the wireless emergency alert system which is similar to the Amber alerts.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated the city is learning through this emergency, focus how to correct the situation, and come up with something palatable for the City Council.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. Receive and file

ACTION: It was moved to direct staff to come back with a new plan of action on how to address in mobilizing the community of any disaster and how the information will be disseminated to the residents on motion of Hicks, seconded by Dear and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council

Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**Item No. 29. [2021-831](#) CONSIDER INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 21-2121 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 11 TO ARTICLE V (COMMENCING WITH SECTION 51101 ET SEQ.) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENTITLED 'SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR ORGANIC WASTE DISPOSAL REDUCTION, RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE COLLECTION,' TO ENACT REGULATIONS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SENATE BILL (SB) 1383 FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FOOD AND ORGANICS RECYCLING AND RELATED SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROCESSING AND REPORTING; ADOPTION OF AN EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CITY COUNCIL)**

City Manager Landers introduced Lona Laymon from the City Attorney's Office and Director of Public Works Eliza Jane Whitman and presented the item.

Lona Laymon, Aleshire and Wynder, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

Michelle Nicholls, Waste Resources (WRI), introduced herself.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. INTRODUCE and READ, by Title Only and with Further Reading Waived: "ORDINANCE NO. 21-2121 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 11 TO ARTICLE V (COMMENCING WITH SECTION 51101 ET SEQ.) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENTITLED 'SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR ORGANIC WASTE DISPOSAL REDUCTION, RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE COLLECTION,' TO ENACT REGULATIONS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SENATE BILL (SB) 1383 FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FOOD AND ORGANICS RECYCLING AND RELATED SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROCESSING AND REPORTING; ADOPTION OF AN EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT."

**ACTION:** It was moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 21-2121, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Hilton.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated WR is working lead on an outreach program for the residents and implemented by first of the year. She asked if they came up with a plan to address community outreach and educate

the residents and businesses.

Michelle Nicholls stated they are still working out the details which will be a collaborative effort between the Public Information Office and WR.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes inquired about the fee increase for the residents.

Michelle Nicholls stated the fee increase is yet to be determined because functionally have a good system in place (3 color container system); it is a matter of making sure that the green cart now includes the mixed organics. There will be a shift in processing costs. There have been pilot projects around the state the past two years; a few cities have started servicing the revised 3 color container system in residential communities but there is not a lot of data to support the cost of each household/account; will work it out as the program moves along and if need to make equipment changes that will also bear a cost which is uncertain at this point.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear inquired about the logistic plans of the waste containers. Michelle Nicholls responded that it is yet to be determined; spoke about the separation of green waste from the rest of the organics; use of bags; will have list of items for use of 3 color container system.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked what goes into the black trash container. Michelle Nicholls gave examples of items which is also available on the website.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Item No. 30. [2021-824](#) COVID-19 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: 1. DISCUSS and PROVIDE any direction.

ACTION: Presentations were made and discussion was held as follows:

Emergency Services Manager Cheung gave a PowerPoint presentation on Trends of COVID-19; COVID-19 Vaccine & Booster; and Vaccine Approved for Ages 5-11.

Director Lennox gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Halloween Drive-Thru that was held on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. with slides highlighting the settings from the Halloween Drive-Thru.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks informed the City Manager that Phillips 66 and Chick-fil-A were spelled incorrectly under Donations on the Halloween flyer that

Director Lennox displayed in his presentation. City Manager Landers noted the corrections.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes thanked Director Lennox and his staff for a job well done.

City Manager Landers spoke about the Pfizer Vaccine & Booster and Moderna Vaccine & Booster.

**Item No. 31. [2021-515](#) CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-142 SETTING A TIMELINE FOR COMPLIANCE ON THE PART OF SOUTH BAY CARSON, LLC AND SYWEST DEVELOPMENT, LLC WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 940-13, RELOCATION REVIEW NO. 3047-13 AND RESOLUTION NO. 13-099 REGARDING VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITIES AT 20151 SOUTH MAIN STREET (CITY COUNCIL)**

Director Naaseh gave a report.

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-142, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SETTING A TIMELINE FOR COMPLIANCE ON THE PART OF SOUTH BAY CARSON, LLC AND SYWEST DEVELOPMENT, LLC, WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 940-13, RELOCATION REVIEW NO. 3047-13 AND RESOLUTION NO. 13-099 REGARDING VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITIES LOCATED ON THAT CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AT 20151 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CITY OF CARSON (CITY COUNCIL)"

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Dear, seconded by Hicks and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Item No. 32. [2021-850](#) CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS; AND/OR CITY COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES; AND/OR CITY-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. CONSIDER and APPOINT, REAPPOINT or REMOVE

- members to the Commissions, Committees and Boards; and/or
2. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE member assignments to the City Council Sub-Committees; and/or
3. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE delegates and alternates to the City-Affiliated Organizations; and
4. DIRECT the City Clerk to notify all affected appointments, reappointments or removed members and/or all affected City-Affiliated Organizations of this action in writing;
5. IF APPLICABLE, DIRECT the City Clerk to post and publish in accordance with the Maddy Act.

ACTION: The Mayor and City Council took the following actions:

#### Economic Development Commission

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes removed Ted Cordova and Trini Jimenez from the Economic Development Commission.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's removal of Ted Cordova and Trini Jimenez from the Economic Development Commission on motion of Dear, seconded by Hicks and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

#### Youth Commission

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear appointed Miguel Domingo as his uncontested appointment to the Youth Commission.

#### Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes appointed Rochelle Hall as Alternate 2 to the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment of Rochelle Hall as Alternate 2 to the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Hilton and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks  
Noes: None

Abstain: None  
Absent: None

## **MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS**

This item was heard after Item No. 26.

Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary Simarago offered prayers and condolences to the families who lost their loved ones and requested this evening's meeting be adjourned in memory of the following:

Christopher Smith  
Edith Medina  
Vera Thompson  
Carole Keen

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested to add Calvin Alexander to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton gave a prayer.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC) – None.**

## **COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS**

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear requested the following items be placed on a future agenda:

- Moiblehome Park Zoning Ordinance
- Ordinance to rescind the 2/3 super majority agenda ordinance

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton acknowledged Trini Jimenez for delivering a check for \$10,000 from Watson Land Company, a check for \$10,000 from Carson Companies, and a check for \$5,000 from Alpert & Alpert to the City Treasurer's Office today to help the City accommodate residents into hotels and provide purifiers to help with the Dominguez Channel issue. They wanted to be good neighbors and business stewards to help in the efforts of relief. He wanted to make sure Watson Land Company, Carson Companies and Alpert & Alpert were acknowledged.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks inquired about a homeless plan. He asked what is in place for the homeless people in the city; if have a homeless plan, when is it going to be executed or the process. The city website needs to be updated.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holme requested the City Manager to bring back a report regarding the homeless issue at the next council meeting. She requested the City Manager to review the ordinance addressing the homeless that was recently passed by Los Angeles.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton congratulated Myla Rahman for her election and a job well done. He congratulated Arleen Rojas for her election and all the candidates who ran for office. He looks forward to working with the new team.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes congratulated all the candidates.

City Manager Landers stated IT Manager is working on updating the city website.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested the City Manager to bring back an informational item regarding the status of the city website. City Manager Landers responded in the affirmative.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes commended staff, her colleagues, and the City Attorney for taking the next step in filing a lawsuit against everyone who is involved with the Dominguez Channel incident. She is aware that there was a request to contact the State Environmental Protection Agency and recommendation to hire a consultant to investigate and help the city to solve the problem. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked the City Manager to confirm.

City Manager Landers confirmed the agency was asked to be involved.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated that together will get through this and residents can call 310-830-7600 that is still available. She stated does not know how effective the 211 number is through Public Works since she received complaints about the number. She thanked staff for working the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) around the clock. The City is moving forward and will do what we have to do to make it happen.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear stated he requested at the Press Conference today that the Federal EPA do a thorough and precise investigation as to the real cause of the stench affecting the city negatively; situation has to be cured as soon as possible; congratulated Myla Rahman and Arleen Rojas for their election; expeditiously move forward with certifying the election as soon as the County Board of Supervisors receives the document from the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder County Clerk's Office as soon as they approve it.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes noted the election results to be certified at a regular City Council Meeting in December.

City Manager Landers noted the County usually certifies the election results in the beginning of December. The City's first meeting in December is on December 7, 2021 and if the County certifies before then, the City could certify the election results. Otherwise, the City can certify on December 21, 2021.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (AS NECESSARY)**

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced the Closed Session items earlier in the meeting.



**RECESS:**

The meeting was recessed at 9:25 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

**RECONVENE:**

The meeting was reconvened at 9:35 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes with all members previously noted present.

**REPORT OF ACTIONS ON UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani provided the Closed Session report as follows:

Closed Session Item No. 3

No reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

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Lula Davis-Holmes  
Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman

ATTEST:

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Joy Simarago  
Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/  
Deputy Authority Secretary

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