

CITY OF CARSON

MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 5, 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:

Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary John W. Carroll, Sr. 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:

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Item No. 1. 2021-743 PASTOR RUDY ABROT, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Rudy Abrot gave the invocation.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested staff to display the callin number on the screen for real time public comments while the Mayor and City Council are in Closed Session. Information Technology Manager Kevin Kennedy responded in the affirmative. Also, she requested Information Technology Manager Kevin Kennedy to note at the bottom of the comments that non-agendized items will be heard at the conclusion of the City Council meeting.

CLOSED SESSION (Items 2-4)

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.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani requested to add a subsequent need item to the agenda pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 for the City Council to consider whether they would like to initiate litigation in one case. The matter has come to the attention of the City Attorney after the posting of the agenda and it cannot wait until the next agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked about the litigation. City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani responded the litigation is about a violation of the City's Municipal Code that has very adverse community impacts and if the City Council waits for two weeks it could have adverse community impacts. The Mayor and City Council stated they have no objection adding the item to the agenda this evening.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was recessed at 5:12 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened at 6:33 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. 2021-746 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED

LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code

Section 54956.9 (d)(2) or (d)(3) & (e)(1) because there is a

significant exposure to litigation in two cases.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

Item No. 3. 2021-665 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 but the item is not completed and will be taken up later in the meeting.

At 9:54 P.M., City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani reported there was no reportable action taken.

Item No. 4. 2021-745 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. 4A. 2021-745 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)

LITIGATION (CITT COUNCIL)

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code

Section 54956.9 because there is a significant exposure to

litigation in one case.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)

Item No. 5. 2021-735 REPORT FROM CAPTAIN JONES OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION

Captain Jones reported/announced the following:

- Carson Cares Essay Contest; last week awarded first place winner with a certificate and gift cards; young man was appreciative and happy from Rancho Dominguez
- Virtual Coffee with the Sheriff Station Zoom meeting went well last week; invited one of the Special Victims Bureau Detectives who joined in and shared information on Crimes Against Children shared by Special Victims
- Hoping to hold an in-person safe and socially distant in person meeting later this month;
 date and location to be confirmed

- Special Olympics Torch Run on October 20, 2021; 1.7 mile run to start at the Carson Sheriff Station; can walk, ride bike, roller blade or skateboard
- Discussed the large fire that occurred last Thursday in the northern area of the city; thanked the residents and businesses for their patience and cooperation; the Fire Department was able to safely stop the fire with everyone's support; thanked the partnerships from the City folks to Los Angeles County Public Works and the Red Cross who assisted with the successful outcome
- Conducted a street racers suppression operation Saturday before last and this past Friday, Saturday, and Sunday and shared results

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton thanked Captain Jones for all his hard work, responsiveness, and attentiveness to the community. He asked what caused the fire at the warehouse. Captain Jones responded the Los Angeles County Fire Department is still undergoing an investigation.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested extra patrols at the 99 Cent Store shopping center on University Drive and Avalon Boulevard due to activities occurring in the parking lot.

Captain Jones informed City Manager Landers, Mayor, and City Council that they may be receiving calls from business owners regarding vehicles parking in the red zone at the shopping center.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked City Manager Landers for an update of the Sheriff substation in the shopping center area. City Manager Landers responded that staff is preparing for an item on the next agenda.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks thanked Captain Jones for the sting operation on the street takeovers, particularly Dominguez Street and Santa Fe Avenue in the Presidential tract and two new locations on Carson Street and Vera Street and Carson Street and Martin Street.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks inquired about the status of the speed reader machine and requested two be purchased for the north and south areas of Carson. Captain Jones responded he will follow up with Lieutenant Strong and his team and City Manager Landers responded in the affirmative.

Mayor and City Council thanked Captain Jones and his team for their work.

PRESENTATIONS

Item No. 6. 2021-531 PRESENTATION BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASSESSOR JEFF PRANG

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes introduced Jeff Prang, Los Angeles County Assessor, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the 2020-2021 Assessment Roll, Property Value Growth, Market Update, Median Sales Price, Business Personal Property, pandemic impact on businesses, Proposition 19, Assessor's Website Redesign, Homeowners' Exemption, and Monthly Newsletter.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes inquired how to receive the Homeowners' Exemption information to the residents. Jeff Prang responded to place a link on the City website that links to his webpage that will connect them to his office; include blurb in the City newsletter, email, social media, marketing, and local public access TV show. City of Lynwood and City of La Puente mailed a copy of the form to all the homeowners who are eligible who have not yet applied. He stated he can share the information.

City Manager Landers stated staff has been providing information on the Homeowners' Exemption and asked Jeff Prang to work with the city to identify the homeowners who qualify and have not been applying to contact them. Jeff Prang responded in the affirmative.

Discussion ensued regarding the property assessment in Carson.

Item No. 7. 2021-713 CASTRO-RAMIREZ MEMORIAL

City Manager Landers presented a video clip of photos taken by Barbara Castro-Ramirez for the City.

Item No. 8. 2021-109 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS FILIPINO-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes read the Proclamation Recognizing October as Filipino-American History Month.

Oscar Ramos (Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commissioner) accepted the proclamation and offered words of gratitude.

Item No. 9. 2021-114 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear read the Proclamation Recognizing October as Bullying Prevention Month which he accepted on behalf of all the citizens and residents of the City of Carson including everyone present in this evening's meeting.

Item No. 10. 2021-116 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 23-31, 2021 AS THE CITY OF CARSON'S 15th ANNUAL RED RIBBON WEEK

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read the Proclamation Recognizing October 23-31, 2021 as the City of Carson's 15th Annual Red Ribbon Week.

Richard Bis, representative of Asian American Drug Abuse Program (AADAP), accepted the proclamation and offered words of gratitude.

Item No. 11. 2021-118 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton read the Proclamation Recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

He acknowledged ADRP Intervention Services who offer counseling, insight, and understanding of domestic violence and thanked them for their work to assist those struggling with domestic violence. They are located at 649 E. Albertoni Street on the corner of Albertoni and Avalon Boulevard, Carson.

Item No. 12. 2021-119 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 25TH AS LARRY **ITLIONG DAY**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read the Proclamation Recognizing October 25th as Larry Itliong Day.

Alex Cainglet (Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commissioner) accepted the proclamation with words of gratitude and introduced Fred Docdocil (Planning Commissioner). Fred Docdocil offered words of gratitude and invited everyone to the upcoming event on October 23, 2021, from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at Veterans Park.

Item No. 13, 2021-121 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS BREAST **CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes read the Proclamation Recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She invited all women to attend the virtual Women's Health Conference on October 15, 2021; log on the City website to participate; cosponsored by the Women's Issues Commission.

Carolyn Foster (Chair of the Women's Issues Commission) accepted the proclamation, offered comments and words of gratitude. She announced the Women's Health Conference and Business Expo on October 15, 2021; tickets are available at \$20.00 each.

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

The following individuals called in with their comments:

William Koons, Environmental Commissioner - Item No. 31

Thanked the Mayor and City Council for his appointment to the Environmental Commission; reported on an issue coming up on The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) agenda which is the AQMD Rule 1109.1 that requires the catalytic filtration units on the heaters and boilers in the refineries; requested reactivation of the Environmental Commission and meet via Zoom as soon as possible and train the commissioners to be able to host the Zoom meetings or meet in person and follow safety guidelines; and allow mail in and email for communication as another alternative until in person meetings

Kimberly Cortado – Item No. 23 and Item No. 25 Offered comments in support of the items

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Item No. 14. 2021-759 APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2021 CITY

COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY

REGULAR 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 15-28)

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

City Manager Landers requested to move Item No. 26 to a later meeting with no objection heard.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested to remove Item No. 27 for discussion.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes thanked staff for the Women's Issues Commission Report and the Parks and Recreation Commission Report. She requested to have the reports as one item at a future meeting and that a representative from each commission, committee and board give the report.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 15-28, except Items No. 26 and 27, 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. 15. 2021-754 Resolution No. 21-127, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS
AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,015,740.30, DEMAND

CHECK NUMBERS 159636 THROUGH 159810

ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 16. 2021-734 CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT

FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING

AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH

ENDING AUGUST 31, 2021

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 17. 2021-595 CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

FUNDING (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: Receive and File.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 18. 2021-742 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FACILITIES USE AGREEMENT

WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY RELATED TO USE OF FIVE SITES AS VOTE CENTERS AND ONE SITE AS A CHECK-IN CENTER USED FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2021 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AND CORRESPONDING VOTE CENTER ELECTION PLANS AND CHECK-IN-CENTER PLAN

(CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE Facilities Use Agreement with Los Angeles County

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk for use of City sites as vote centers and check-in center for November 2, 2021 special municipal elections for the following sites: Foisia Park (Gymnasium), Carson Civic Center (Carson Dominguez Room), Veterans Park (Gymnasium), Stevenson Park (Gymnasium), and Dominguez Park (Activity Room) for the vote centers, and five corresponding Vote Center Election Plans, and Carson Civic Center (east parking lot) for the check-in center, and one

corresponding Check-in-Center Plan.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the agreement after approval as to form by the City Attorney, and to execute the Vote

Center Election Plans and Check-in-Center Plan.

3. WAIVE site-related fees.

ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 19. 2021-748 CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION RE-AUTHORIZING

THE CONDUCT OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE CITY'S LEGISLATIVE BODIES VIA REMOTE TELECONFERENCING FOR AN INITIAL 30-DAY PERIOD PURSUANT TO THE BROWN ACT AS AMENDED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY, HOUSING AUTHORITY)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. ADOPT Resolution No. 21-132, "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 CONDUCT OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE CITY, SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND HOUSING AUTHORITY VIA REMOTE TELECONFERENCING FOR AN INITIAL 30-DAY PERIOD PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT AS AMENDED BY ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 361."

(Exhibit No. 1).

ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 20. 2021-738 CONSIDER AN INFORMATIONAL UPDATE ON CITY

PROJECTS (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this informational report on various City

projects.

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 21. 2021-739 CONSIDER AN INFORMATIONAL UPDATE FROM THE CITY

OF CARSON WOMEN'S ISSUES COMMISSION (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this informational update from the

Commission.

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 22. 2021-747 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-125 APPROVING THE

BLANKET AUTHORITY TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR

GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR MEASURE A FUNDING FOR PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

(CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-125, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE BLANKET AUTHORITY TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR MEASURE A FUNDING FOR

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS."

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 23. 2021-650 CONSIDER APPROVING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH

STAGELINE MOBILE STAGE, INC. TO MANUFACTURE, FURNISH, AND DELIVER A SPECIAL EVENT MOBILE STAGE

FOR THE CITY OF CARSON (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE the proposed purchase agreement with Stageline

Mobile Stage, Inc., for the purchase of a mobile stage and related equipment and services in an amount not-to-exceed \$191,945.32.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the proposed purchase

(Exhibit No. 3);

agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney; and 3. APPROVE a contingency in the amount of \$8,064.68 (for a total approved purchase of \$200,000) for acquisition of any additional equipment or accessories related to the mobile stage as may be deemed necessary by the City Manager or designee, and AUTHORIZE the City Manager to approve and execute any further

purchase agreement or amendment that may be deemed necessary by the Purchasing Manager to effectuate same, to the extent the City Manager does not already possess such authority pursuant to CMC 2600 et seq., and without limitation of such

authority.

ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 24. 2021-740 CONSIDER AN UPDATE FROM THE PARKS, RECREATION,

AND CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE staff's update from the Parks, Recreation, and

Cultural Arts Commission.

ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 25. 2021-757 CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 21-131

AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET IN THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, RECREATION DIVISION FOR YOUTH SPORTS OPERATIONS (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-131, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET IN THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, RECREATION DIVISION FOR

YOUTH SPORTS OPERATIONS."

ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 26. 2021-700 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-128, AMENDING THE

CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR SENIOR PLANNER (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-128, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR SENIOR

PLANNER."

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item with no objection head.

Item No. 27. 2021-701 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-129, AMENDING THE

CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR ASSOCIATE PLANNER (CITY

COUNCIL)

Item No. 27 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested to hold back Item No. 27 for clarity of the amended job classification specification and same for Item No. 26. City Manager Landers responded in the affirmative.

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-129, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR ASSOCIATE

PLANNER."

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item with no objection head.

Item No. 28. 2021-750 CONSIDER APPROVING A PURCHASING AND

MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MISSION CRITICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS INC. (MCIS) FOR INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM, BDA

AND MAINTENANCE SERVICE

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the award of purchase order contract with MCIS for a Public Safety Interoperability Radio Solution and Carson City Hall Bi-Directional Amplifier Project for \$133,525.18 and a 5-year

maintenance services agreement for \$79,550.00.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement, following

approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 28 was approved on Consent.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY: (None)

DISCUSSION: (Items 29-31)

Item No. 29. 2021-736 COVID-19 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 29 was heard after Item No. 27.

Emergency Services Manager Raymond Cheung gave a PowerPoint presentation on Trends of COVID-19, CDC approves Pfizer Booster, City Hall Reopening, and City Council In-Person.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear suggested hybrid Council meetings with City Council in the Council Chambers and Zoom.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks also suggested hybrid Council meetings with City Council in the Council Chambers and Zoom.

City Manager Landers spoke about the meeting spacing requirements, broadcast meetings and availability by Zoom.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton stated everyone is using the hybrid model. He mentioned there is an election on November 2, 2021 and would normally have the City Council the day after an election that falls on the first Tuesday of the month. He suggested to use FaceBook to stream the City Council Meetings as another alternative to view the meetings. He inquired about the COVID-19 rapid testing that is going to be available on site at cost. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes responded individuals can be tested at the Carson Sheriff Station at no cost.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes noted the City Council meetings are automatically moved to the next day following an election. Therefore, the first meeting in November will be November 3, 2021.

Mayor and City Council are in consensus of moving the November 3, 2021 City Council meeting to a hybrid model, residents/speakers gather at the Carson Community Center, staff and Council Members will be at the dais or in their offices.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton asked the City Manager to explore other cities use of the hybrid model. City Manager Landers stated she would provide more details at the next City Council meeting.

Recommendation:

- 1. APPROVE Disaster Council recommendation to resume In-Person City Council Meetings in November subject to the monitoring of COVID-19 numbers for safety.
- 2. DISCUSS and PROVIDE any further direction.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item to October 19, 2021 to allow staff to review other hybrid models, with no objection head.

Item No. 30. 2021-741 CONSIDER SUBMITTAL OF THE DRAFT 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD) FOR REVIEW (CITY COUNCIL)

Director Naaseh gave a report and introduced Rajeev Bhatia with Dyett & Bhatia who gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Carson 2040 Draft 2021-2029 Housing Element.

Rajeev Bhatia introduced Matt Alvarez who continued with the PowerPoint presentation (Goals and Policies, Programs).

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear inquired about the mitigation measures of a mobilehome park closure. Matt Alvarez responded to his inquiry.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear stated he would like to see the city have a section called Mobilehome Park Zone in the Zoning Code. Director Naaseh offered comments.

City Manager Landers stated staff is actively working on the Mobilehome Park Zone for consideration of the City Council at a future meeting.

Matt Alvarez continued with the PowerPoint presentation (Programs).

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked about the implementation of Senate Bill (SB) 9 and SB 10 regarding the density of housing that needs to be now placed in most Los Angeles cities in the State of California and if it will be referenced in the Housing Element. Rajeev Bhatia responded they have not factored in the Housing Element.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked where to look at land use to address low-income housing (affordable housing). Rajeev Bhatia answered his question.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks referred to Program 2 of the PowerPoint presentation which addressed rehab for low-income housing and if the program is doable.

Director Naaseh spoke about Program 1 and Program 2 which are rehab programs.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes referred to Program 8 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) and requested an explanation. Director Naaseh gave an explanation.

Discussion ensued regarding ADU.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani stated she forwarded to staff restrictions of the ADU.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes expressed concern with the low-income housing and very low-income housing.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked if the Draft Housing Element is a living document and if it can be tweaked after approval. Rajeev Bhatia responded in the affirmative.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani spoke about a set housing application; City Council to pay close attention to areas of housing sites, administrative housing and process.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if Director Naaseh and the consultant looked at housing sites being proposed. There is no local control.

Rajeev Bhatia stated the moderate and above moderate income sites have very few new sites beyond the city has already approved development or is processing development. The places we have new sites are mostly for the lower income households and those are in the same places where previously in February the City Council reviewed the land use map and the plan in great level of detail. These sites are a subset of those sites mostly along West Carson Street asking mixed use development adequately specified in terms of density.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked to revisit the housing sites.

Director Naaseh stated the single-family areas are staying intact; other areas on major roads should have adequate infrastructure to serve them.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani expressed concern if staff verified that the land is not contaminated and any new housing has sufficient fire and public safety protection and should be reviewed by the fire station if need to add sheriff services. It will be worthwhile for staff to do their due diligence to decide where to have housing designated before adopting the Housing Element.

Rajeev Bhatia spoke about housing sites as part of the General Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani stated as long as the consultant is doing their due diligence and verifying that the sites being identified have the necessary public safety and necessary infrastructure. Rajeev Bhatia stated they are working on a full EIR and before the City Council adopts the Housing Element will have the opportunity and if something is off base will find a substitute side and work it through.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. SUBMIT the Draft 2021-2029 Housing Element, with modifications recommended by Planning Commission, for Review by the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Hicks, seconded by Hilton.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear stated he would like a mobilehome park zone established before voting in

February.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Council

Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton, and Council

Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear

Abstain: None Absent: None

Item No. 31. 2021-758 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:

Senior Citizens Advisory Commission

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton appointed Frankie Stewart as his uncontested appointment to the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani if Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton's uncontested appointment to the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission be ratified. She responded it has been done procedurally.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear noted that it is not necessary to vote on uncontested appointments and made the motion with no objection heard.

It was moved to ratify Council Member Hilton's uncontested appointment of Frankie Stewart to the Senior Citizens Advisory 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

It was moved to activate the Environmental Commission on motion of Davis-Holmes, 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

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks stated he was informed by some members of the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee that they could not meet due to lack of a quorum.

Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes removed Irene Viernes, Alternate 2, from the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee, thereby, creating a vacancy. Subsequently, she appointed Irene Viernes as Alternate 2 to the Human Relations Commission.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment of Irene Viernes, Alternate 2, to the Human Relations Commission on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes 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

ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (None)

MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS

Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary Carroll, Sr. presented the following Memorial Adjournment Requests:

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC)

Liz Foisia

Called in and stated it is disturbing and unprofessional that the residents were not notified in a timely manner about the change in how the public comments are to be made to the City Council; an important and essential part of public right to participate in the government process has been violated by the non-communication

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested the City Manager to respond to Liz Foisia.

City Manager Landers stated it is a requirement that is found in the State law that was passed and signed by the Governor that the City provide this required mechanism for accepting comments.

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) to provide information on the process of the air quality in the City.

City Manager Landers provided the number of AQMD 1-800-288-7664 and stated she will have an AQMD representative to talk about the Rule 1109.1 as well.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested someone from Southern California Edison (SCE) to provide information about the planned power outages occurring throughout the City.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton reported he received complaints from residents asking why there is no hot water in the bathrooms at Mills Park. Assistant City Manager Roberts responded to his question.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton stated he would like to see transition to luxury portable restrooms at all city parks.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear requested the City Manager to hire part-time or temporary employees to assist with sanitation to prevent spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes directed the City Manager to ensure hot running water at Mills Park as soon as possible and come back with a budget and plan of action to the next agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear reiterated his voting no on the Draft Housing Element submission to emphasize the need for a mobilehome park zone

in Carson. He requested to bring back an ordinance to eliminate the amendment that gives the 2/3 requirement vote to add items to the agenda commonly referred to as the dictator amendment on the next agenda.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks wished his wife a Happy Anniversary.

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 INTO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was recessed at 9:30 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened at 9:54 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 9:55 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

	Lula Davis-Holmes Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman
ATTEST:	
John W. Carroll, Sr. Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy	Agency Secretary/