

#### CITY OF CARSON

# MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 5:00 P.M.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 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:

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

#### **INVOCATION:**

Item No. 1. 2021-517 PASTOR DR. MICHAEL FISHER, GREATER ZION CHURCH FAMILY

Pastor Dr. Michael Fisher gave the invocation.

### **CLOSED SESSION (Items 2-9)**

# 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 item.

#### 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 6:24 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. 2021-639 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: Venegas, Frank v. City of Carson, Workers' Comp. Appeals Board, Marina Del Rey. WCAB Case

No. ADJ12773114

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

Item No. 3. 2021-558 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 one case.

ACTION: Item No. 3 was not taken up and will be taken up later in the meeting.

At 10:45 P.M., City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani reported there was no reportable action taken.

Item No. 4. 2021-590 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. 2021-689 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 of Carson is a party. The title

of such litigation is as follows:

CAM-CARSON, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Plaintiff, v. CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY, a California joint powers authority; the CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, a municipal corporation; RE | SOLUTIONS, LLC., a Colorado limited liability company; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, Defendants,

Case Number 20STCV16461, Superior Court.

ACTION: Item No. 5 was not taken up and will be taken up later in the meeting.

At 10:45 P.M., City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani reported there was no reportable action taken.

Item No. 6. 2021-675 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL **EXISTING** LITIGATION, (SUCCESSOR AGENCY)

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

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:

The Successor Agency to the Carson Redevelopment Agency, A Public Entity organized and existing under California Health & vs. Los Angeles County Second Supervisorial District Consolidated Oversight Board, A Public Body Corporate and politic formed, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-80003382

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ACTION: The City Council authorized an appeal of the matter.

Item No. 7. 2021-596 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED

LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)

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 one case.

ACTION: Item No. 7 was not taken up and will be taken up later in the meeting.

# Item No. 8. 2021-584 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)

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

Section 54956.8, to enable the City Council to consider negotiations with Mike Israelsky of Summit Team, Inc., with whom City is negotiating, and to give direction to its negotiators, Sharon Landers, City Manager and David Roberts, Assistant City Manager, regarding that certain real property known as 631 E. University Drive / APN: 7319005016. The City's real property negotiator will seek direction from the City Council regarding the

price and terms of payment for the property.

ACTION: Item No. 8 was not taken up and will be taken up later in the meeting.

At 10:45 P.M., City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani reported there was no reportable action taken.

Item No. 9. 2021-680 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (CITY COUNCIL)

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

Section 54957, to conduct an employee evaluation for the position

of City Manager.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

# **INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)**

# Item No. 10. 2021-632 REPORT FROM CAPTAIN JONES OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes acknowledged Captain Damon Jones and recognized the heroic acts of six members of the Carson Sheriff Station. Last week, the Sheriff Team helped save the life of a young girl named Maddy by rescuing her after she had fallen into a swimming pool. The six deputies are as follows:

Deputy Jose Ramirez
Deputy Sean Hylands
Deputy Miranda Carvahlo
Deputy Addison DeBoom
Deputy Larry Billoups

Dispatcher Dwayne Rhine, Law Enforcement Technician

Captain Jones spoke about the heroics acts of the Deputies, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Dispatcher on August 25, 2021.

City Manager Landers shared that Maddy received a Build A Bear named Angel from the city.

Captain Jones shared a video of the incident and Maddy's aunt thanked everyone for their heroic act on behalf of her family.

City Manager Landers shared a special reward to be presented to the Deputies and Dispatcher.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes thanked the Deputies, EMT and Dispatcher for their heroic act.

Captain Jones thanked the city for their support and recognizing his staff. He read the Certificate of Commendation that was given to the Deputies and Dispatcher.

Maddy's mother Wendy joined in the meeting to thank everyone for the work and professionalism in saving her daughter.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes invited Maddy and her mother to attend a future City Council meeting for a photo with her.

The Council Members thanked the Deputies and first responders for their work.

Captain Jones announced that Sergeant Veramendi will be retiring soon. He introduced the incoming Community Relations Sergeant Armando Hernandez, Jr. who gave an overview of his past history in the workforce. He gave his email address: a4hernan@lasd.org.

Captain Jones announced/reported the following:

- Thanked those who participated in the Community Night Out last month
- Thanked those who attended the Coffee with the Station
- Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Checkpoint a few weeks ago
- Deputies and Sergeants attended the Mental Evaluation Training
- Gave six Explorers each a \$500 scholarship to assist with higher education
- Essay Contest at the Station for 9th thru 12th graders; essays being reviewed; winners will receive gift cards
- Reminded everyone to continue to drive carefully and slow down; reminded everyone the speed limit around the school zone is 25 mph
- Participated in an event dealing with law enforcement relations at Dignity Health Sports Park
- Reported street racing, successfully disbursed them, made four arrests, towed three vehicles, and issued citations
- Received calls about police activity that occurred a few weeks ago at the Canes Restaurant across from the mall and everything is fine; apprehended robbery suspects

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes thanked Captain Jones for stopping the street racing and incident at Canes.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear reported on the reoccurrence of street racing on Santa Fe Avenue at the intersection of Dominguez Street. He asked Captain Jones for any results. Captain Jones responded to his question and received

reports of street racing on Carson Street and Martin Street.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes reported the residents stated the Sheriff responded immediately to the street racing and wanted to express their appreciation of their work.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks also received a report and thanked Captain Jones and Deputies for their work.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton stated he participated in a bias training helping young people interact with law enforcement. It was a phenomenal event hosted by Game Changers at the Dignity Health Sports Park along with Assemblymember Mike Gipson and the Brotherhood Crusade. He thanked Captain Jones and Lieutenant Jabar Williams with numerous law enforcement officials from the City of Carson with great dialogue.

Item No. 11. 2021-651

INTRODUCTIONS OF CARSON COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATOR DR. AFIA HEMPHILL, LOCAL DISTRICT SOUTH SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL ROMERO, PRINICIPAL STEPHANIE AUSTIN FROM AMBLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PRINCIPAL SONIA BUENROSTRO FROM CARSON ACADEMIES OF EDUCATION & EMPOWERMENT (AEE), AND PRINCIPAL DR. DIANA FAATAI FROM CARSON HIGH SCHOOL

Item No. 11 was heard after Item No. 16.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes introduced Dr. Afia Hemphill who introduced the following:

Stephanie Austin, Principal from Ambler Elementary School Sonia Buenrostro, Principal from Academies of Education & Empowerment (AEE) Dr. Diana Faatai, Principal from Cason High School

Mayor and City Council welcomed, thanked, and congratulated all the principals for their work.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes sends her regards to Superintendent Michael Romero.

#### INTERNAL PROMOTIONS

Item No. 12. 2021-679

RICHARD AHLGRIM - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR MODESTO BOLANOS - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR CLAUDIA BUENROSTRO - ACCOUNTING MANAGER LATOYA BUTLER - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LIAISON ADRIANA CABRERA - HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT LAKESHA WILSON - HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST MELODY CARTER - SOCIAL SERVICES COORDINATOR

DANI COOK - HUMAN SERVICES SUPERVISOR
JESSICA CORIA - SENIOR CLERK
DAVID CROCKETT - FLEET MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
MELISSA FIGUEROA - SENIOR CLERK
STEPHANIE MARTINEZ - EVENT SERVICES COORDINATOR
GLORIA MURILLO - CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
JONATHAN NERY - ASSISTANT AQUATICS PROGRAM
SUPERVISOR PART TIME
JOSE PINA - RECREATION CENTER SUPERVISOR II
KANECA POMPEY - ASSISTANT PLANNER
JOSILLA TOGIOLA - BUYER

Director Moseley congratulated and announced the Internal promotions as follows:

Richard Ahlgrim - Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, Public Works Department
Modesto Bolanos - Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, Public Works Department
Claudia Buenrostro - Accounting Manager, Finance Department
Latoya Butler - Economic Development Liaison, Community Development Department
Adriana Cabrera - Human Resources Assistant, Human Resources and Risk Management
Department

Lakesha Wilson – Human Resources Specialist, Human Resources and Risk Management Department

Melody Carter - Social Services Coordinator, Community Services Department Dani Cook - Human Services Supervisor, Community Services Department Jessica Coria - Senior Clerk, Public Works Department

David Crockett - Fleet Maintenance Supervisor, Public Works Department Melissa Figueroa - Senior Clerk, City Clerk's Office

Stephanie Martinez - Event Services Coordinator, Community Services Department Gloria Murillo - Code Enforcement Officer, City Manager's Office, Public Safety Division Jonathan Nery – Assistant Aquatics Program Supervisor Part Time, Community Services Department

Jose Pina - Recreation Center Supervisor II, Community Services Department Kaneca Pompey - Assistant Planner, Community Development Department Josilla Togiola – Buyer, Finance Department

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Item No. 13. 2021-643 KENNETH YOUNG, SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER
VERNON VILLANUEVA, ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER
RALSTON TURNER, SENIOR BUDGET ANALYST

Director Moseley welcomed and introduced the new employees as follows:

Kenneth Young – Senior Civil Engineer, Public Works Department

Director Whitman stated she is pleased to have Kenneth Young's experience on board.

Vernon Villanueva – Associate Civil Engineer, Public Works Department Ralston Turner - Senior Budget Analyst, Finance Department

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Item No. 14. 2021-637

RICARDO ANTUNEZ - POOL MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST MARK ARRILA - ASSISTANT MAINTENANCE WORKER JOSEPH CANALITA – PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATIVE INTERN PART TIME

TONI COSTANZO - PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATIVE

**SECRETARY** 

**HNIN PHYU - ACCOUNTANT** 

**LUIS TINOCO - ASSISTANT MAINTENANCE WORKER** 

DEAN YOONG - PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATIVE INTERN

**PART TIME** 

Director Moseley welcomed and announced the new employees as follows:

Ricardo Antunez – Pool Maintenance Specialist
Mark Arrila – Assistant Maintenance Worker
Joseph Canalita – Public Works Administrative Intern Part Time
Toni Costanzo – Public Works Administrative Secretary
Hnin Phyu – Accountant
Luis Tinoco – Assistant Maintenance Worker
Dean Yoong – Public Works Administrative Intern Part Time

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Item No. 15. 2021-638

PRESENTATION ON CITY OF CARSON AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILLS TOWN AND GOWN EVENTS

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes gave an overview of the partnership with the California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH).

City Manager Landers presented a video clip from CSUDH featuring the Mayor, City Council, and Dr. Thomas A. Parham, President, CSUDH, of the Town and Gown events.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested the video be displayed on the City's webpage. She thanked the City Manager and CSUDH for the presentation.

Item No. 16. 2021-652

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR PREVAILING IN CHRIST MINISTRIES AND PASTOR MICHAEL J. EALEY FOR SUPPORTING FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS AND VACCINATION EFFORTS IN THE CARSON COMMUNITY

Item No. 16 was heard after Item No. 10.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes read the Certificate of Recognition and presented to Pastor J. Ealey who accepted with words of gratitude.

Mayor and City Council thanked Pastor Ealey and his church for all they do for the community.

# Item No. 17. 2021-113 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 AS CARSON LITERACY DAY

Item No. 17 was heard after Item No. 15.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear read the Proclamation recognizing September 8, 2021 as Carson Literacy Day.

Elizabeth Untalan, teacher at Catskill Avenue Elementary School, spoke on the literacy that has taken place in the Carson elementary schools.

# Item No. 18. 2021-112 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

Item No. 18 was heard after Item No. 19.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton read the Proclamation recognizing the 20th Anniversary of September 11, 2001.

Chaplain Kemp accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Santa Monica Police Department as a volunteer Chaplain, retired United States Army Veteran, Chaplain for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and all first responders. He offered words of gratitude.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes talked about an event that was held at the water fountain in front of City Hall. She requested staff to bring back event for approval.

# Item No. 19. 2021-106 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Item No. 19 was heard after Item No. 17.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read the Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks introduced Dr. James Yeh, M.D., from Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, who accepted the proclamation and offered words of gratitude. He also acknowledged Larissa Celles, Nurse Practitioner.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks announced the Prostate Cancer 5K Walk on September 18, 2021 at CSUDH from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

# Item No. 20. 2021-105 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS SICKLE CELL AWARENESS MONTH

Item No. 20 was heard after Item No. 18.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes read the Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as Sickle Cell Awareness Month. She accepted the proclamation on behalf of Vonda and Shirley Graves.

Vonda joined the meeting and offered comments and words of gratitude.

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

Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary Carroll, Sr. presented the following comments that were submitted electronically:

Kim Turner, Transit Director of the Torrance Transit System of Torrance, CA - Item No. 37 Torrance Transit is aware that Long Beach Transit (LBT) is intending to launch new service into the Carson area beginning in September of 2021. While they support regional connectivity between transit agencies to benefit bus riders, they are concerned that two of the four proposed routes will replicate service already provided by Torrance Transit. In addition, it appears that Long Beach Transit may be in violation of numerous Public Utility Codes such as 130001, 99280, 99281, 99238.5, 99284, 99285 and 99286. Therefore, asked the Mayor and City Council to postpone the launch of the planned Carson service and agreement with LBT until the two agencies have the opportunity to formally meet, discuss and coordinate as required by law.

### Liz Foisia - Non Agenda Item

Since the Council Meetings have been conducted online, public comments have been made by letter, that was read into record by the Clerk, or by calling in and stating comments over the telephone. The former City Clerk, Ms. Gause, requested 5 names of Carson residents who were also registered voters to be on record in support of the letter being submitted, so that 5 minutes can be allotted to that particular letter, instead of the 3 minutes permitted for each letter or speaker. Asked if it is still the practice, since in person meetings were supposed to have resumed the month of September; will be sending in a letter for a non-agendized item for the Council Meeting, September 07, 2021, and will send in 5 names of Carson residents/registered voters so her letter will be allotted 5 minutes and read in its entirety for the record; supports Councilman Hilton's public comments as a Carson resident at the last Council meeting, August 03, 2021, regarding the behavior of City Manager Sharon Landers and Director of Human Resources Faye Moseley and treatment of employees; offered comments regarding City Attorney Sunny Soltani; and concurred with Carson resident Jawane Hilton/Councilmember District 1 suggestion to bring an independent investigator

Wendy Lee, Acting Community Library Manager of Carson Library – Non Agenda Item Gave an update about the library as follows: With the reopening of the State, the majority of Los Angeles County Libraries have opened their doors for select in-person services. Carson Library remains closed, however, due to a necessary safety upgrade that could not begin until the spring of 2021 due to funding and pandemic-related delays. In the meantime, Carson Library is still offering sidewalk service where customers can pick up their holds. Laptop and hotspot kits are also available to check out so customers can access the internet from the comfort of their home. Please visit website at lacountylibrary.org or call at 310-830-0901 for more information; encouraged customers to visit Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Library, at 17906 S. Avalon Boulevard, which is open Tuesday through Saturday, for in-person library service. Lastly, Los Angeles County Library has gone fine free and has eliminated past, present, and future fines for overdue

books and materials.

# D. Hawkins – Non Agenda Item

Offered comments regarding Mayor Davis-Holmes, City Manager Landers, and Director of Human Resources

## C. Alvarez - Non Agenda Item

Offered comments regarding corruption, discrimination and bullying of employees in City Hall

## Diwa Alquino - Non Agenda Item

Thanked the Mayor and City Council for helping family; requested assistance from the city to cut tree, with rent, and a job; offered comments regarding the City Manager

# <u>Leticia Lopez – Non Agenda Item</u>

Offered comments regarding Mayor Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem Dear, Council Member Hilton, and City Manager Landers

# Freddie Gomez, Public Relations Commissioner - Non Agenda Item

Asked Mayor and City Council to encourage Mayor Pro Tern Jim Dear to comply with the City of Carson Code of Ethics Ordinance 08-1409; reported that Mayor Pro Tem Dear has been spreading false rumors that he is a fake Pastor / Minister and convicted felon; asked the Mayor and Council to admonish him to stop; shared he does the work of ministry in serving the community over the past 25 years

Mayor Pro Tem Dear offered comments regarding Freddie Gomez.

Mayor Davis-Holmes offered comments regarding Freddie Gomez.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani cautioned Mayor Davis-Holmes and Mayor Pro Tem Dear to step away from the dais and speak as residents and to not use the dais to conduct anything that could be construed as electioneering.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stepped down and excused herself as Mayor to make comments as a resident and offered comments regarding Freddie Gomez.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear stepped down as Mayor Pro Tem to make comments as a resident and offered comments regarding Freddie Gomez.

Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary Carroll, Sr. noted a written communication was received after the deadline submission. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated to proceed with the presentation of the written communication.

Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary/Chief Deputy Authority Secretary Carroll, Sr. presented the following comment that was submitted electronically:

### Ricardo Pulido – Non Agenda Item

Reported the Gulf Avenue neighborhood track has been neglected for street repairs, paving, street sweeping, tree trimming and asked the city to follow through with the services needed;

reported a Code Enforcement Officer visited his home because of an anonymous complaint; offered comments regarding the City Manager and Director of Human Resources, Environmental Commission meetings, and diversity

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Item No. 21. 2021-656 APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 21, 2021 CITY

COUNCIL/HOUSING AUTHORITY SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES; AND JANUARY 26, 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 Hicks, 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 22-43)

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

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested to remove Items No. 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31 for discussion.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested to remove Item No. 37 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 22-43, except Items No. 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 37, 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. 22. 2021-684 Resolution No. 21-105, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,348,226.20, DEMAND

CHECK NUMBERS 158976 THROUGH 159436

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 23. 2021-664 CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT

FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING

AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH

**ENDING JULY 31, 2021** 

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 24. 2021-662 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THREE FACILITIES USE

AGREEMENTS WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY RELATED TO USE OF SITES AS VOTE CENTERS USED FOR

**GUBERNATORIAL RECALL ELECTION AND** 

CORRESPONDING VOTE CENTER ELECTION PLANS (CITY

COUNCIL)

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

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk for use of City sites as vote centers for September 14, 2021 Gubernatorial Recall Election for the following sites: Foisia Park (Gymnasium), Carson Civic Center (Carson Dominguez Room), and Veterans Park (Gymnasium),

and corresponding Vote Center Election Plans.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the agreements and Vote Center Election Plans. The agreements will be executed after

approval as to form by the City Attorney.

3. WAIVE site-related fees.

ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 25. 2021-641 CONSIDER AN UPDATE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE AD HOC

COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 4 (GONZALEZ), ASSEMBLY BILL 14 (AGUIAR-CURRY) (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. SUPPORT SB 4 (GONZALEZ) and SUPPORT AB 14

(AGUIAR-CURRY)

2. AUTHORIZE staff to send the advocacy letters included as

Exhibit 1.

ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 26. 2021-384

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-120 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, REORGANIZING THE REPORTING STRUCTURE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 26 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

Director Whitman gave a report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton inquired if the Operations Manager position has been filled. City Manager Landers responded to his inquiry.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton spoke about the reporting structure of the Public Works Department.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes offered comments in support of the item.

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution NO. 21-120, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, REORGANIZING THE REPORTING

STRUCTURE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT".

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item to the next meeting with no objection heard.

Item No. 27. 2021-508 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-108, AMENDING

THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING A REVISED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION AND FUNDING A POSITION FOR PUBLIC

**WORKS OPERATIONS MANAGER (CITY COUNCIL)** 

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-108, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING REVISED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION AND FUNDING A POSITION FOR PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS MANAGER."

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item to the next meeting with no objection heard.

Item No. 28. 2021-498 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-091, AMENDING

THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING A JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST JOB SERIES (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-091, "A

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

SPECIALIST JOB SERIES."

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hilton, 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

Item No. 29. 2021-635 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-109, AMENDING

THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR PURCHASING MANAGER (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-109, "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 PURCHASING

MANAGER."

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hilton, 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

Item No. 30. 2021-668 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-121, AMENDING

THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-121, "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 CIVIL

**ENGINEER.**"

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hilton, 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

Item No. 31. 2021-669 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-122, AMENDING

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

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-122, "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

CIVIL ENGINEER."

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hilton, 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

Item No. 32. 2021-674 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NOS. 21-116, 21-117

AND 21-118 AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SENIOR BUS DRIVER, FULL-TIME BUS DRIVER AND PART-TIME BUS

DRIVER (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:

WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-116, Resolution No. 21-117 and Resolution No. 21-118, "RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING AMENDED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SENIOR BUS DRIVER, FULL-TIME BUS DRIVER AND PART-TIME BUS DRIVER."

ACTION: Item No. 32 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 33. 2021-615

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES WITH **FOR** PRINCIPAL LIFE **INSURANCE** COMPANY ADMINISTRATION **OF** THE CITY OF **CARSON** SELF-INSURED **DENTAL** PLAN **AGREEMENT** (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement to exercise the City's first of two remaining one-year options to extend the term of the Agreement, thereby extending the term expiration date from November 1, 2021 until November 1, 2022, at existing fee rates

(Exhibit 4) ("Amendment No. 3"); and

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 following

approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 33 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 34. 2021-661 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND

ESTIMATES, AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR PROJECT NO:

1632 - COMMUNITY CENTER COILING WALL

REPLACEMENT (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the plans, specifications and estimates, and order the work for Project No: 1632: Community Center Coiling Wall

Replacement.

AUTHORIZE staff to advertise the work and call for construction bids for Project No: 1632: Community Center Coiling Wall

Replacement.

ACTION: Item No. 34 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 35. 2021-682 CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 21-119 AUTHORIZING THE USE OF DIGITAL SIGNATURES AND

NOTARIZED ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES FOR CITY

CONTRACTS (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and APPROVE Resolution No. 21-119

entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF DIGITAL SIGNATURES AND NOTARIZED ELECTRONIC

SIGNATURES FOR CITY CONTRACTS"

ACTION: Item No. 35 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 36. 2021-547 CONSIDER APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO AARP

NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY STATES AND COMMUNITIES TO DESIGNATE THE CITY OF CARSON AS AN

AGE-FRIENDLY CITY (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: DIRECT staff to apply for the AARP Age-Friendly City designation.

ACTION: Item No. 36 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 37. 2021-616 CONSIDER APPROVING A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH

LONG BEACH TRANSIT TO PROVIDE FIXED-ROUTE BUS

**SERVICE (CITY COUNCIL)** 

Item No. 37 was heard after Item No. 31.

Director Lennox gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Long Beach Transit Fixed Route Service Agreement.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked if a survey has been done to see if Carson residents travel to other South Bay Cities and Downtown Los Angeles compared to traveling to Long Beach. Director Lennox stated a route study was completed over a year ago and this is the result of the survey.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear referred to the letter from Kim Turner, Transit Director of Torrance Transit System of Torrance, California, and asked about statutory requirements. Dr. Lennox responded to his question.

City Manager Landers gave comments regarding the routes.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked if the buses are big or little and would they include a city logo. Dr. Lennox responded to his question.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the proposed Contract Service Agreement with Long Beach Public Transportation Company at a not-to-exceed total contract sum of \$5,310,000 total for the initial three-year term of the agreement (\$1,770,000 annually), with specified further service increases authorized subject to City Manager approval and execution of a contract amendment if the service increase within the limits specified is deemed to be needed (Exhibit No. 1)

("Agreement"); and

- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney; and
- 3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-113, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET IN THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DIVISION, PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C FUNDS."

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Dear, seconded by Hilton.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear offered a friendly amendment to the motion and requested staff to meet with Torrance Transit which was accepted by the seconder of the motion.

The motion, as amended, 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. 38. 2021-647 CONSIDER AWARD AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT

SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RSG, INC. FOR POST-REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION SERVICES (SUCCESSOR AGENCY)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD and APPROVE the contract services agreement with RSG, Inc. to provide post-redevelopment dissolution services for a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$297,775 through June 30, 2026.

2. AUTHORIZE the Agency Chair to execute the agreement

following approval as to form by the Agency Counsel.

ACTION: Item No. 38 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 39. 2021-654 CONSIDER REJECTION OF BID FOR PROJECT NO. 1665:

189TH STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE REPAIR (CITY

COUNCIL)

Recommendation: Take the following actions:

1. REJECT the bid received for Project No. 1665 - 189th Street

Pedestrian Bridge Repair.

2. AUTHORIZE staff to re-advertise in an effort to receive more

competitive and responsive bids.

ACTION: Item No. 39 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 40. 2021-667

CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 21-114 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A RIGHT OF WAY CONTRACT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR TEMPORARY USE OF A PORTION OF CITY PROPERTY ON E. 223RD STREET (APN: 7315-012-900) FOR TEMPORARY STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION ACCESS EASEMENT TO RETROFIT THE ADJACENT DOLORES YARD OVERHEAD BRIDGE PROJECT (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 21-114, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO RIGHT OF WAY CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA **DEPARTMENT** OF TRANSPORTATION FOR STORAGE AND CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS OF A PORTION OF CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON E. 223RD STREET (APN

7315-012-900)"

ACTION: Item No. 40 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 41. 2021-658

CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY FOR PROJECT NO. 1422 BROADWAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS - TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AUTHORIZE additional contingency funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 to cover pending change orders, other additional work, and other unforeseen construction work that may be required to complete Project No. 1422: Broadway Intersection

Improvements - Traffic Signal Modifications.

2. APPROPRIATE funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 from the Measure M and Measure R funds balance to augment the amount currently budgeted for Project No. 1422 - Broadway Intersection

Improvements - Traffic Signal Modifications.

3. ADOPT Resolution No. 21-111, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Carson amending the fiscal year 2021-22

budget in the Special Revenue Funds."

ACTION: Item No. 41 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 42. 2021-685

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A UTILITY RELOCATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (MWD) FOR THE COSTS OF RELOCATING MWD'S UTILITY EQUIPMENT (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:

1. APPROVE the Utility Relocation and Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Carson and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for the costs of relocating MWD's utility equipment.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Utility Relocation and Reimbursement Agreement between the City of Carson and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, following

approval by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 42 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 43. 2021-659 CONSIDER APPROVING A MEASURE M FUNDING

AGREEMENT (MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMS)
BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF
CARSON FOR PROJECT NO. 1687: CARSON STREET
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM ("ITS")
COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT FROM FIGUEROA STREET
TO I-405 NORTHBOUND RAMPS, LACMTA PROJECT #

MM5507.02, FTIP # LA9919028 (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the Funding Agreement with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority granting \$700,000 to the

City of Carson to cover the estimated project cost.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the Funding Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 43 was approved on Consent.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY: (None)

**DISCUSSION: (Items 44-48)** 

Item No. 44. 2021-640 COVID-19 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 44 was heard after Item No. 37.

Recommendation: DISCUSS and PROVIDE any further direction.

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

Emergency Services Manager Raymond Cheung gave a PowerPoint presentation on Trends of COVID-19, overview of the Disaster Council meeting held on August 26, 2021, FDA Approval of Pfizer Vaccine, Health Order on August 19, 2021, and Health Order on August 23, 2021.

Director Lennox gave a PowerPoint presentation on Youth Sports Health Order effective September 1, 2021.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear asked if Director Lennox can look into instant COVID-19 test results. City Manager Landers responded to his question.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if the Zoom meeting will expire at the end of the month and if any update from the Governor's Office. City Manager Landers stated she asked Jason Gonsalves for an update and will make a determination after the September 14, 2021 Recall Election.

Director Moseley gave a report on the percentage of employees who are vaccinated versus unvaccinated by tracking through the vaccination certification form.

Item No. 45. 2021-636

CONSIDER INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 21-2118, ADDING CHAPTER 11 (TEMPORARY EVENTS) TO ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH A REGULATORY PERMIT PROCESS FOR TEMPORARY EVENTS (CITY COUNCIL)

Director Lennox gave a PowerPoint presentation on Temporary Events Ordinance.

Assistant City/Agency/Authority Attorney Ben Jones offered comments.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani suggested to add a sentence at the end of "City-sponsored events" to state, "and for the sake of clarity, every single city event that has been budgeted for on the city's budget annually is a city-sponsored event". Mayor and City Council were in consensus with the language as stated by City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani which will be added before the second reading of Ordinance No. 21-2118.

Director Lennox continued with his PowerPoint presentation.

Recommendation:

1. INTRODUCE and READ by title only, and waive further reading, Ordinance No. 21-2118, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 11(TEMPORARY EVENTS) TO ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH A REGULATRORY PERMIT PROCESS FOR TEMPORARY EVENTS."

ACTION: It was moved to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 21-2118 on motion of Hilton, 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. 46. 2021-649 CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR FORMATION OF A DIVERSITY,

EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

(CITY COUNCIL)

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani gave a report on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

(Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes exited the meeting.)

Yecenia Vargas, Associate with the City Attorney's Office, gave a PowerPoint presentation on Forming a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.

(Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes rejoined the meeting.)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. Receive and file this report.

2. Provide direction to staff regarding what process to follow for

forming a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.

ACTION: It was moved to establish a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Mayor Davis-Holmes and Council Member Hilton on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Hilton and unanimously 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. 47. 2021-677 CONSIDER AWARDING AN AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT

SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF INDEPENDENT,

THIRD-PARTY INVESTIGATION SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT MATTERS (CITY COUNCIL)

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltai gave an overview of the item.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. SELECT the law firm to conduct the workplace investigation.

2. APPROVE the applicable proposed Contract Service Agreement for provision of independent, third-party employment investigation services with said law firm (Exhibit 2 or Exhibit 3).

3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the applicable Agreement

after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to 1) Approve the applicable proposed Contract Service Agreement for provision of independent, third-party employment investigation services with Oppenheimer Investigations Group, LLP and 2) Authorize the Mayor to execute the applicable Agreement after approval as to form by the City Attorney on motion of Hilton, 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. 48. 2021-657 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:

### **Human Relations Commission**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes appointed Harriett Russ to the regular member vacant position on the Human Relations Commission.

### Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes appointed Clarence Dunning to the regular vacant position, thereby, creating a vacancy of the Alternate 3 position on the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Commission.

## Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes vacated Silvia Cruz on the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee.

ACTION: It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointments on the Human Relations Commission and the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts 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

It was moved to complete the Council agenda tonight before 12:00 midnight 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

**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:

Jeri Elizabeth Cockrell Virgil Lena McCall Watts Barbara Castro Ramirez Michael Kenneth Williams Teodoro De La Paz

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton requested to add Sam Bam Cunningham to the Memorial Adjournment Requests and gave a prayer.

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

This item was heard during the Oral Communications For Matters Listed On The Agenda (Members of the Public) portion of the meeting.

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

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear requested to place on a future agenda an ordinance to rescind the amendment requiring a 2/3 vote to add items to the agenda. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes responded no to his request.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS) – None.

# 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 10:12 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

#### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened at 10:45 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.

Closed Session Item No. 5

No reportable action was taken.

Closed Session Item No. 8

No reportable action was taken.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting 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

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