



**CITY OF CARSON**

**MINUTES  
CARSON CITY COUNCIL/  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 7, 2023  
5:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes in the Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

**ROLL CALL:**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw noted the roll:

**Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Present:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Jawane Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jim Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Cedric Hicks, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Arleen Rojas

**Also Present:**

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager; Sunny Soltani, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; John Raymond, Assistant City Manager; Robert Lennox, Assistant City Manager Dr.; Tarik Rahmani, Deputy City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Michael Whittiker, Jr., Director of Community Services; Arlington Rodgers, Director of Public Works; Gary Carter, Director of Information Technology and Security; and William Jefferson, Director of Finance

**FLAG SALUTE:**

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

**INVOCATION:**

**Item No. 1. 2023-0806 PASTOR DELORES MUELLER FROM BELIEVERS' VICTORY INTERNATIONAL CHURCH**

Pastor Delores Mueller gave the invocation.

**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.

**RECESS:**

The meeting was recessed at 5:07 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:**

The meeting was reconvened at 6:22 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. 2023-0828 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) and (e)(1), because there is a significant exposure to litigation in three cases.

ACTION: The first case involved interpretation of the current Development Agreement on a property known as Perry Street Property. The City Council authorized a Settlement Agreement which a copy will be available in the City Clerk’s Office as soon as it is fully executed. There was no reportable action taken on the second case. The third case was not taken up.

**Item No. 3. 2023-0829 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 v. Carson Reclamation Authority, City of Carson and Successor Agency to the Carson Redevelopment Agency, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV16461.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

**Item No. 4. 2023-0830 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 potential case.

**ACTION:** The City Council authorized the litigation to commence.

## **INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)**

### **Item No. 5. 2023-0807 REPORT FROM CAPTAIN JONES OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION**

Captain Jones reported/announced the following:

- During Red Ribbon Week, Sheriff Deputies attended several events with students and community members
- Hosted Trunk or Treat event that was well attended; happy to partner with the community
- Traffic Office has been doing a lot of traffic enforcement operations most recently off of Main Street and Sepulveda Boulevard. There were 20 traffic stops conducted and future speeding enforcement operations will be coming soon in North Carson off of Avalon Boulevard, off of Central Avenue, also off of Santa Fe Avenue
- Supporting the Veterans Day Celebration on Saturday, November 11, 2023, hosted by the city
- Reminded the community about the importance of the role they play in reducing preventable crimes. Be aware of holiday crimes. Inform the Carson Sheriff Station of vacation plans at (310) 830-1123, requested patrol is an option. Reminder to remove valuables from your car and lock your car. Lock all your doors and windows. Turn on porch and rear lights. Additional crime prevention information on their social media platforms: Instagram @lasdcarson, Meta or Facebook @carsonsheriffstation, or Twitter/X @carsonlasd

### **Item No. 6. 2023-0808 REPORT FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF BENNETT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Battalion Chief Martin Maher reported statistics for October on behalf of Battalion Chief Brian Bennett as follows:

- 23 reported fires
- 641 rescues and emergencies
- 3 hazardous conditions
- 7 service calls
- 234 good intent calls
- 22 false alarms
- 8 special incidents

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear inquired about 22 false alarms. Battalion Chief Maher responded that most of the false alarms are faulty alarm system issues.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton asked about a gas like smell near the 91 Freeway. Battalion Chief Maher stated it may have been the onshore wind blowing something from the refinery.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton read and presented the proclamation recognizing the month of November 2023 as National Diabetes Awareness Month to Linda Castle from Partners and Care Foundation. She accepted the proclamation with words of gratitude.

### **Item No. 7. 2023-0816 PROCLAMATION ACKNOWLEDGING NOVEMBER 12 - 18, 2023 AS UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK**

Item No. 7 was heard after presentation of proclamation recognizing the month of November as Indigenous Peoples Month.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read and presented the proclamation to Dr. Jared and student Diego representing California State University Dominguez Hill's Negotiation Conflict Resolution and Peace Building Program.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks introduced Mrs. Hernandez, student at California State University Los Angeles, representing the L.A. versus Hate Program. She offered comments regarding the program. Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks presented the proclamation to Mrs. Hernandez.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes introduced city photographer Elizabeth with Clivabeth Photography LLC who offered words of gratitude.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas read and presented proclamation recognizing Saturday, November 25, 2023, as Small Business Saturday to Elizabeth with Clivabeth Photography LLC.

### **Item No. 8. 2023-0844 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO ADRIENNE KONIGAR-MACKLIN RECOGNIZING HER CONTRIBUTION TO THE 2023 WOMEN'S HEALTH CONFERENCE & BUSINESS EXPO**

Item No. 8 was heard after presentation of proclamation recognizing the month of November 2023 as National Diabetes Awareness Month.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes presented Certificate of Appreciation to Honorable Judge Adrienne Konigar-Macklin who accepted with words of gratitude.

### **Item No. 9. 2023-0845 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO MARY FORD RECOGNIZING HER CONTRIBUTION TO THE 2023 WOMEN'S HEALTH CONFERENCE & BUSINESS EXPO**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes presented Certificate of Appreciation to Mary Ford, from Torrance Memorial Medical Center, who accepted with words of gratitude.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas read and presented proclamation recognizing National Prematurity Awareness Month to Dawn Marie Morales Tumagan, registered nurse at Harbor UCLA Medical Center, who accepted with words of gratitude.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas presented certificate to Dr. Lyn Smith, Chair of the Department of Pediatrics at Harbor UCLA Medical Center, who accepted with words of gratitude.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear read and presented proclamation recognizing the month of November as Indigenous Peoples Month to Joseph Pinon who accepted with words of gratitude.

**Item No. 10. 2023-0843 CERTIFICATION OF APPRECIATION TO RICHARD BIS FROM THE CARSON INITIATIVE FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION (CISAAP)**

Item No. 10 was heard after presentation of proclamation recognizing Small Business Saturday.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks read and presented Certificate of Appreciation to Richard Bis who accepted with words of gratitude.

**Item No. 11. 2023-0817 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO DARREN EMBRY, VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AT FARING**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item to the next City Council meeting.

**Item No. 12. 2023-0840 PRESENTATION OF THE 2019 CALIFORNIA PARKS AND RECREATION SOCIETY (CPRS) AWARD-WINNING INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM**

Amanda Valorosi, Human Services Supervisor, spoke about the Human Services Program and Intergenerational Program.

Melody Carter, Social Services Coordinator II, elaborated on the Intergenerational Program and presented the 2019 California Parks and Recreation Society Award-Winning Intergenerational Program.

**Item No. 13. 2023-0839 RECOGNITION OF CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING FROM THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION**

City Manager Roberts, Jr. recognized Deputy City Manager Tarik Rahmani, Finance Director William Jefferson, and the team on the recognition.

**Item No. 14. 2023-0846 RECOGNITION OF CARSON WINNING 2023 EAGLE AWARD FROM PRISM**

Risk Manager Roobik Galoosian and Senior Risk Management Analyst Desiree Johnson presented award from PRISM which is the city's insurance carrier. They recognized the work Carson has done for the second year in a row. Senior Risk Management Analyst Desiree Johnson thanked City Manager Roberts, Jr., Assistant City Manager Dr. Lennox, Geographic Information System (GIS) Administrator Alex Rocco, and GIS Intern Donald for their support of the department.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC) (LIMITED TO ONE HOUR)**

Angelica Prieco – Item No. 33

Offered comments in support of item and noted street repairs needed on Wilmington Avenue by Sepulveda Boulevard to 223<sup>rd</sup> Street, Avalon Boulevard, Figueroa Street from Lomita Boulevard to Carson Street, and Alameda Street.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Item No. 15. 2023-0809 APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 17, 2023 (REGULAR)**

Recommendation: Approve the minutes as listed.

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 Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**CONSENT (Items 16 to 33)**

It was moved to approve Consent Items No. 16 to 33 on motion of Hicks, seconded by Dear.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton requested to remove Item No. 33 for discussion.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. noted in Item No. 21 that language was incorrect stating a non-exempt position which is an exempt position in the job description. Staff provided copies of the amended job description.

It was moved to offer a friendly amendment to approve Consent Items No. 16-33, except Item No. 33 and correction to Item No. 21 as stated by the City Manager on motion of Dear, seconded

by Hicks, and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Item No. 16. 2023-0832 Resolution No. 23-173, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS, AS FOLLOWS:  
TOTAL OF \$5,281,399.13 FOR GENERAL DEMANDS, CHECK NUMBERS 169894 THROUGH 170241.  
TOTAL OF \$225.00 FOR CO-OP AGREEMENT DEMANDS, CHECK NUMBERS 1276 THROUGH 1276, WHICH ARE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS WITHIN THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, USING BOND PROCEEDS TRANSFERRED FROM THE SUCCESOR AGENCY TO THE CITY**

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 17. 2023-0810 CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY PROJECTS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this informational update.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 18. 2023-0812 CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY COMMISSIONS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this report.

ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 19. 2023-0819 CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE HERBERT E. GLEICKE TRUST (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: RATIFY the Settlement Agreement, attached as Exhibit 1.

ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 20. 2023-0837 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-170, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 21-119 AND REQUIRING ONLY COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND**

**FEDERAL LAW REGARDING NOTARIZATION OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL SIGNATURES FOR CITY CONTRACTS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: 1. ADOPT Resolution No 23-170, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 21-119 AND REQUIRING ONLY COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL LAW REGARDING NOTARIZATION OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL SIGNATURES FOR CITY CONTRACTS."

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 21. 2023-0824 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NOS. 23-176, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER (CITY COUNCIL)**

City Manager Roberts, Jr. noted in Item No. 21 language was incorrect stating a non-exempt position which is an exempt position in the job description. Staff provided copies of the amended job description.

Recommendation: ADOPT Resolution No. 23-176, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING THE JOB SPECIFICATIONS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER."

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent as corrected by City Manager Roberts, Jr.

**Item No. 22. 2023-0525 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 23-122, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO GRANT A PUBLIC UTILITY PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO ZENITH ENERGY WEST COAST TERMINALS, LLC AND SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING" (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following action:  
1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-122 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO GRANT A PUBLIC UTILITY PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO ZENITH ENERGY WEST COAST TERMINALS, LLC AND SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING"

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 23. 2023-0582 CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LIGHTHOUSE 4KIDS, INC.**

**(FORMERLY, THE LIGHTHOUSE-HOME FOR MEDICALLY FRAGILE CHILDREN) TO AUTHORIZE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION FOR CONTINUED PROVISION OF FREE SNACKS AND LUNCH DURING THE SUMMER AND FOR AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS AT THE CITY'S PARKS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. APPROVE the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement (Exhibit No. 1; "Amendment No. 1"); and  
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 24. 2023-0833 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-178 TO ALLOCATE \$276,486.67 IN PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION (PLHA) GRANT FUNDS FOR HOMELESS PREVENTION RENTAL ASSISTANCE INTO THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET AND EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ADMINISTER DISBURSEMENT OF THE ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT "RESOLUTION NO. 23-178, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET TO ALLOCATE PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION FUND REVENUE" (Exhibit No. 2); and  
2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager or its designee to administer the program of processing individual applications for approval of disbursement of the PLHA homeless prevention rental assistance funds from the City to eligible applicants in accordance with a City Manager-approved policy, as may be amended from time to time.

ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 25. 2023-0759 CONSIDER THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL (LADACC) (C19-104) FOR FY 2023-24, AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT FOR FY 2023-24 AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-164 AMENDING THE FY 23/24 BUDGET FOR THE ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL CONTRACT (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE the Service Level Agreement with the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (LADACC) for FY 23/24.

2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the Service Level Agreement with Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (LADACC).
3. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-164, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND.

ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 26. 2023-0836 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 WITH JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., (C23-083) TO INCREASE VIDEO SURVEILLANCE FOR THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF CITY FACILITIES DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-180, APPROVING THE BUDGET TRANSFER IN FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 IN THE GENERAL BUDGET TO INCREASE THE JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC CONTRACT BUDGET (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

Take the following actions:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with Johnson Controls, Inc. (Exhibit No. 1; the "Amendment") to increase the contract sum from \$5,165,644.08 to \$5,851,975.08.
2. ADOPT Resolution No. 23-180, "A Resolution of the Carson City Council approving budget transfer in the fiscal year 2023-24 budget in the General Fund" appropriating \$686,331.00 from Project PW1737 to PW1674 to cover Johnson Controls, Inc. contract (C23-083).
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 26 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 27. 2023-0822 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 WITH ALLTECH INDUSTRIES, INC. (C20-117) TO INCREASE SECURITY AT CITY PARKS AND CORPORATE YARD AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-174, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

Take the following actions:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Alltech Industries, Inc. (Exhibit No. 1; the "Amendment") to increase the contract sum from \$1,776,117.00 to \$2,454,501.00.
2. ADOPT Resolution No. 23-174, "A Resolution of the Carson City Council amending the fiscal year 2023-24 budget in the General Fund" appropriating \$678,384.00 from the General Funds Reserves to the Public Safety GL account to cover Alltech Industries, Inc. contract (C20-117).
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3, following

approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 27 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 28. 2023-0803 CONSIDER THE AWARD OF CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SOLID WASTE CONSULTANT - SB 1383: ORGANIC RECYCLING AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-181, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS"**

Recommendation:

1. AWARD a contract services agreement to SEMCO for a 2-year term in the amount of \$50,280.00.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a contract services agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
3. APPROVE a 10% contingency in the amount of \$5,028 in the event unforeseeable additional services are needed.
4. ADOPT Resolution No. 23-181, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS" in the amount of \$50,280.00.

ACTION: Item No. 28 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 29. 2023-0627 CONSIDER AWARDED A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO ROADLINE PRODUCTS TO PROVIDE PAINT, PAINT SUPPLIES, SIGN EQUIPMENT AND RELATED SUPPLIES ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD and APPROVE the proposed purchase agreement with Roadline Products Inc., U.S.A. to provide paint, paint supplies, sign equipment and related supplies for the City's Public Works Department for an amount not-to-exceed \$600,000 for a three-year term with two one-year extension options. (Exhibit 2)
2. AUTHORIZE Mayor to execute the Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 29 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 30. 2023-0751 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT WITH OHL USA, INC. FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE STORMWATER AND RUNOFF CAPTURE PROJECT AT CARRIAGE CREST PARK (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

1. APPROVE contract amendment with OHL USA, Inc. (OHL) for Project No. 1515 - Carson Stormwater Capture Facility at Carriage Crest Park to approve Change Order 4 for \$348,803.68.

2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of a 10% construction contingency in the amount of \$34,880.37 for any other additional work the city may request as appropriate that may be necessary to complete this project.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Contract Amendment following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 30 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 31. 2023-0763 CONSIDER AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ON-CALL CONCRETE REMEDIATION SERVICES TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PRECISION CONCRETE, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000 (CITY COUNCIL)**

- Recommendation:
1. APPROVE the proposed Public Works Agreement with Southern California Precision Concrete, Inc. for the provision of on-call concrete remediation services for a one-year term at a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$400,000.00 (Exhibit No. 1).
  2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Southern California Precision Concrete Contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 31 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 32. 2023-0203 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT (21-080) WITH VERNE'S PLUMBING, INC., FOR THE TESTING, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF CITY-OWNED BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES (CITY COUNCIL)**

- Recommendation:
1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Contract Services by and between the City of Carson and Verne's Plumbing, Inc. to increase the contract sum by \$44,193.31 such that the total cost of the Contract Agreement does not exceed \$94,193.31, and extend the term of the agreement by one year to May 30, 2025,
  2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the amendment after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 32 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 33. 2023-0682 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-160 AND APPROVAL OF FOUR MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS ANNUAL PAVING MAINTENANCE FOR EACH DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF CARSON (CITY COUNCIL)**

Item No. 33 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. presented the item.

Director Rodgers gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Annual Pavement Maintenance Program.

Discussion was led by Public Works Director Arlington Rodgers - "Streets Project".

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton expressed concern about District 1 and forgetting Galaxy West and Centerview and requested weekly updates on the project.

Director Rodgers stated that there will be a request for Project Managers and Inspectors to oversee the project at the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton reiterated that Carson used to have beautiful streets and looks forward to the city returning to how it used to be and that the entire city looks good from one end of the city to the next regardless of.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked why only \$2 million per district. City Manager Roberts, Jr. explained that because we are so far into the fiscal year and the rainy season is coming, that was the allocation made. He further explained there will be an inconvenience for the residents because the work is happening simultaneously. The Public Information Office will share routes online for residents to know. City Manager Roberts, Jr. also explained the money is coming from the Reserve, therefore, the budget will not be structurally balanced. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated if staff reaches a point where they need more than \$2 million, to ask because that is what the utility users' tax (UUT) and the sales tax was for. The residents do not want to hear about a surplus, they want their streets fixed.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked about the current Capital Improvement Project (CIP). Is this in addition to or replacing the CIP program? Director Rodgers shared that the streets project is in addition to the CIP. He also stated residents should not be alarmed if one street gets fixed and another nearby does not. Public Works is using an index so not all streets will be done at the same time. Using the consumer price index (CPI), streets will be fixed based on that index. Gray color versus black color does not indicate what order the streets need to be done.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked about a number of streets that have cracks but no potholes. Director Rodgers stated that streets with cracks will get paved as all streets are being paved eventually. Some streets will need to be assessed to fit into a systematic approach.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas thanked Director Rodgers on the great work he has been able to accomplish in eight months. Director Rodgers acknowledged his team and the City Manager's Office.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked about the medians and the trees. Director Rodgers talked about heading into the rainy season and planning the look of the medians in the spring and summer. Mulch is being placed in certain areas to avoid weeds. West

Coast Arborists remains the city's contractor for the trees. All trees do not have to be trimmed as often as other trees. Some require more and some require less depending on the species of the trees. Tree trimming schedule will be on the city's website. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if the Council Aides can be informed of the tree trimming schedule.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked about graffiti. Director Rodgers stated that the recent approval is allowing for future graffiti abatement.

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a Construction Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, R.J. Noble Company for the annual paving maintenance at District 1, for a three-year term in the amount of \$8,000,000, with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.
2. AWARD a Construction Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, All American Asphalt for the annual paving maintenance at District 2, for a three-year term in the amount of \$8,000,000, with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.
3. AWARD a Construction Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, R.J. Noble Company for the annual paving maintenance at District 3, for a three-year term in the amount of \$8,000,000, with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.
4. AWARD a Construction Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, R.J. Noble Company for the annual paving maintenance at District 4, for a three-year term in the amount of \$8,000,000, with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.
5. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute all four Maintenance Contracts following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
6. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-160, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS"

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Hilton, seconded by Davis-Holmes.

During discussion of the motion, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear mentioned the three-year project that took place on Figueroa Street and would like to make sure the Sanitation District pays for the project. Director Rodgers stated the City Engineer is working with the Sanitation District regarding the project.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. recognized and commended City Engineer Gilbert Marquez and Public Works Operations Manager Raymond Velasco for their hard work.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks mentioned some streetlights that are not operable especially with the time change.

Director Rodgers shared that a citywide sidewalk pavement plan is coming soon for City Council's approval.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Director Rodgers thanked and commended Public Works Operations Manager Raymond Velasco for his assistance.

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY – None.**

**DISCUSSION (Item 34)**

**Item No. 34. 2023-0813 CONSIDERATION OF ONLY LOCAL UNCONTESTED APPOINTMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS, AND CITY AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AND CONSIDER ALL (CONTESTED AND UNCONTESTED) APPOINTMENTS TO ALL COMMISSIONS EXCEPT PLANNING COMMISSION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. CONSIDER and only APPOINT uncontested members to the City Commissions, Committees, and Boards;  
2. CONSIDER and APPOINT all (contested and uncontested) members to all commissions except Planning Commission, Economic Development Commission and Environmental Commission;  
3. CONSIDER and APPOINT members to City Affiliated Organizations;  
4. DIRECT the City Clerk to notify all affected appointments of this action in writing;  
5. IF APPLICABLE, DIRECT the City Clerk to post and publish in accordance with the Maddy Act.

**ACTION:** Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes appointed Al Seay to the regular member position on the Veterans Affairs Commission, thereby, creating a vacancy

of the Alternate 2 position.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment of Al Seay as regular member on the Veterans Affairs 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 Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING – None.**

### **MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw presented the following Memorial Adjournment Requests:

Norwood Clark, Sr.  
Luis Vasquez Romero  
John Bare, Jr.  
Quinn Jackson  
Robert Richardson  
Estrella Bumacod

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked that Robert Richardson and Estrella Bumacod families receive acknowledgement from the City.

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

#### Monica S. Vasquez

Thanked the city leadership for recently making efforts with the graffiti issues; requested graffiti removal to continue to be a top priority; mentioned the large graffiti area along the 405 South Freeway continue to be a problem and requested the city to paint over the large wall behind the California Highway Patrol weight station and require the owners of the wall to keep the graffiti off; graffiti that runs along the 405 Freeway from the Wilmington onramp to the Alameda offramp continues to be a problem

#### Rich Chan

Expressed concern with short term rentals and Air BNB within the city and requested enforcement; requested signs posted against panhandling similar with the City of Newport Beach

#### Craig Sheets

Expressed concern with containers at the ports and oil refinery chemical plants

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw noted she received a public comment from South Coast Air Quality Management District which was forwarded to staff.

Kim Cortado – Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commissioner

Announced the following upcoming city events and updates:

- Veterans Day Celebration, Saturday, November 11, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., Veterans Park
- Grand Opening of the Pickleball Courts, Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., Hemingway Park
- Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 7, 2023, at 6:00 P.M., Carson Event Center
- Community Night Out, December 8, 2023, at 6:00 P.M., Veterans Park
- Winter Fest, December 9, 2023, from 12:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., Veterans SportsComplex
- Halloween Celebration held October 31, 2023 at the Carson Event Center was a good turnout
- Thanked the City and staff for their assistance with the senior meals
- YMCA Grab and Go Senior Meals Drive-Thru commencing on Friday, November 17, 2023, from 12:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Carson Event Center

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

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested an ordinance to curtail street take overs similar with the City of Pico Rivera be added to a future agenda.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested an updated report from South Coast Air Quality Management District on the air quality of the city to a future agenda. He reported he received calls from residents regarding gas odors emitting, heavy methane and sulfur odor in the air.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton reiterated the smell of gas was very bad.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton acknowledged Mayor Davis-Holmes on her incredible strength to serve the City of Carson during this time of grief and bereavement. He shared the details of the viewing on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Central Baptist Church; homegoing service on Thursday, November 9, 2023, viewing from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. and service commencing at 11:00 A.M. at Love and Unity Christian Fellowship, 1840 S. Wilmington Avenue, Compton. He reminded the Mayor that the city is rallying around her and her family during this time.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes offered her thanks to the city and asked that the city keep her daughter in prayer.

She announced the following:

- Annual Turkey Giveaway on November 19, 2023, at the SouthBay Pavilion
- Asked for update report on the Dominguez Channel, Animal Control Officer, and

Homeless Task Force

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (AS NECESSARY) – None.**

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – None.**

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – None.**

**REPORT OF ACTIONS ON UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS – None.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 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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Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw  
City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary