



CITY OF CARSON

MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 3, 2023 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 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, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Cedric Hicks

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Absent:

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Arleen Rojas (Entered at 5:04 P.M.)

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:

The Flag Salute was heard after the Los Angeles County Sanitation District presentation.

Janine Santos, Carson High School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Item No. 1. 2023-0720 BISHOP BROWN FROM JUDSON BAPTIST CHURCH

Bishop Terry Brown gave the invocation.

CLOSED SESSION: (Items 2 to 3)

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 listed on the agenda and that Closed Session Item No. 2 will not be taken up.

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 5:47 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 proved the Closed Session Report as follows:

Item No. 2. 2023-0749 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: City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced earlier in the meeting that Item No. 2 will not be taken up.

Item No. 3. 2023-0750 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 to consider negotiations with David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager, with whom the City is negotiating, and to give direction to its negotiator David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager, regarding that certain real property known as Main Street generally located between Del Amo

Boulevard and Francisco Street. The City's real property negotiator will seek direction from the City Council regarding price and terms of payment for the property.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

PRESENTATION

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes announced presentation by Basil Hewitt, Engineer with Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts. Basil Hewitt announced Genesis Rodriguez is also in attendance. He gave a PowerPoint presentation of the odor control update.

INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)

Item No. 4. 2023-0721 REPORT FROM CAPTAIN JONES OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION

Item No. 4 was head after the Flag Salute.

(Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton exited the meeting.)

Captain Jones announced/reported the following:

- Attended Community Advisory Meeting with Phillips 66
- Doubletree Reception event
- Met with the Human Relations Commission and discussed working on parenting issues with Carson High School
- Partnered with Marathon on the Tabletop Disaster Exercise
- Townhall Meeting at Perry Mini Park
- Partnered with Council Member Rojas and met with Albertsons Management Team regarding their infrastructure
- Coffee with the Station event at Starbucks on Sepulveda Boulevard and Main Street

(Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton reentered the meeting 6:08 P.M.)

- Five gun-related arrests have been returned to the Carson Sheriff Station
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will be conducting a nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System via text and radio around 11:30 A.M. pacific standard time (PST)
- Reminder that residents need to prepare a personal plan in place for disasters. Sign up with alert.lacounty.gov which is a free alert system for Los Angeles County; also text your zip code to 888-777 for alerts on your phone on any type of emergency
- October is Cyber Security Awareness Month

Item No. 5. 2023-0724 REPORT FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF BENNETT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Battalion Chief Ryan McKeehan reported the following:

- Update on incidents
- 893 total responses (20 fire calls; 643 rescue and emergency medical services (EMS) calls; four hazmat calls; 11 service calls; 174 good intent calls; 30 false alarms; and 11 specialty)
- Two fires within Carson that required assistance from the Red Cross
- Los Angeles County Fire will have updates for the FEMA test on their social media pages.
- Deputy Chief Harris leads the Explorer Program for ages 16-21 years old.

PRESENTATIONS

Item No. 6. 2023-0745 PRESENTATION FROM THE OFFICE OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLYMEMBER JOSH LOWENTHAL OF A \$2 MILLION CHECK TO THE CITY OF CARSON TO SUPPORT THE RECONSTRUCTION OF LOMITA BOULEVARD THROUGH ASSEMBLY BILL 102, THE BUDGET ACT OF 2023

Assembly Member Josh Lowenthal presented a \$2 million check to the Mayor and City Council who accepted with words of gratitude. He gave an assembly bill update.

Item No. 7. 2023-0587 CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION TO SOUTH BAY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD HONORING THEIR DESIGNATION AS A HIGH PERFORMING BOARD

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes presented certificate to Jan Vogel, Executive Director, who offered words of gratitude.

Item No. 8. 2023-0733 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes shared her story of breast cancer survival and awareness. She read and presented the proclamation to Tranel Colquitt who accepted with words of gratitude.

Item No. 9. 2023-0734 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS FILIPINO-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas read and presented the proclamation to the Maharlika Club of Carson High School who accepted with words of gratitude.

Item No. 10. 2023-0735 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton read and presented proclamation to Pam Polliver, Director of Anti-Bullying Program at Broadacres School and Annalee School, who offered with words of gratitude.

Item No. 11. 2023-0737 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks presented the proclamation to Pastor Reginald Taylor who accepted with words of gratitude.

Item No. 12. 2023-0739 PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear read and presented the proclamation to Diana Medel, Director of Strategic Partnerships for the Boys and Girls Club of Carson.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear stated Kim Richards, Executive Director of Boys and Girls Club of Carson was present at the beginning of the meeting but had to leave before the proclamation was read due to another meeting. Diana Medel received the proclamation on her behalf.

Diana Medel stressed the importance of partnering with the city on filling the gap for programs specifically for teenagers for college and career preparation. Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated she would like the city to find the funds for a Teen Center.

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

Jelani Arriaga – Item No. 35

Offered comments in support of item; encouraged graffiti removal on the high wall along the 405 South Freeway behind the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Weigh Station and along the 405 South Freeway at the Wilmington Avenue onramp to Alameda Street which also needs attention with trash removal and graffiti abatement

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas exited the meeting.)

Dianne Thomas, Acting Chair of the Planning Commission – Item No. 37

Offered comments in support of item

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas reentered the meeting.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Item No. 13. 2023-0723 APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 (REGULAR)

Item No. 13 was heard after Oral Communications For Matters Not Listed On The Agenda (Members of the Public).

Recommendation: Approve the minutes as listed.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hicks, seconded by Dear 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 14 to 36)

It was moved to approve Consent Items No. 14 to 36 on motion of Hicks, seconded by Dear.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested to remove Items No. 23 and 30 for discussion.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested to remove Items No. 28, 33, and 35 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 14 to 36, except Items No. 23, 28, 30, 33 and 35, 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

Item No. 14. 2023-0736 Resolution No. 23-161, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS, AS FOLLOWS: TOTAL OF \$4,003,250.09 FOR GENERAL DEMANDS, CHECK NUMBERS 169528 THROUGH 169708. TOTAL OF \$1237.50 FOR CO-OP AGREEMENT DEMANDS, CHECK NUMBERS 1275 THROUGH 1275, 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. 14 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 15. 2023-0725 CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY PROJECTS (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this informational update.

ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 16. 2023-0726 CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY COMMISSIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE this report.

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 17. 2023-0583 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH KILEY & ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: APPROVE Amendment No. 1 with Kiley & Associates, LLC to exercise a one-year term extension and increase the contract consideration by \$60,000 (Exhibit 1; the "Amendment"); and AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 18. 2023-0713 CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE SOUTH BAY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD (SBWIB) SEATS REPRESENTED BY CITY OF CARSON BUSINESS SECTOR MEMBERS.

ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 19. 2023-0747 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DESTRUCTION OF CITY CLERK RECORDS PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 20-144 AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIED RECORDS WITHIN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Recommendation: Approve the destruction of the recommended 69 boxes.

ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 20. 2023-0683 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ADVANTAGE MAILING, INC. FOR PRINTING AND MAILING SERVICES OF

CARSON REPORT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES GUIDE FLIP BOOK

Recommendation: 1. CONSIDER and APPROVE for the second and third-year Contract Services Agreement with Advantage Mailing, Inc. for the printing and mailing of the Carson Report and Community Services Guide in an amount not to exceed \$193,649 AND
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment No. 2 after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 21. 2023-0729 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO.1 TO BAKER TILLY US, LLP, TO EXTEND INTERNAL CONTROL AUDIT SERVICES.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:
1. APPROVE Contract Amendment No. 1 with Baker Tilly US, LLP, to increase the contract sum by \$59,600 and extend the term of the agreement by three months to May 14, 2024, to perform an assessment of the City's current 1095 form preparation process (New Scope of Services). The total contract sum will increase from \$209,138 to \$271,138.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract, following approval as to form by the City Attorney

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 22. 2023-0732 CONSIDER RESOLUTION 23-157 REALLOCATION OF ARPA FUNDS TO SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 23-157 to transfer ARPA funds from various ARPA projects to ARPA Small Business Grant Program in the amount of \$900,000 and replace transferred funds from projects with General Fund Reserve in the amount of \$900,000.

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 23. 2023-0753 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON WIRELESS TO LEASE A PORTION OF ANDERSON PARK (19101 S. WILMINGTON AVENUE) FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATIONS OF AN ANTENNA FACILITY/CELL TOWER AND ESTABLISHING THE LEASE TERMS (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 23 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested a report.

Director Naaseh stated that the lease is with Verizon from 2009, therefore, this is an agreement to extend the lease agreement with a 58% increase with a one-time extension bonus of \$10,000.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks asked about a pole and the flag on the corner of University Drive and Wilmington Avenue. He stated that currently there is no flag and Anderson Park is named after a medal of honor recipient. He expressed the importance of having the American Flag lit all night.

Director Naaseh stated he would discuss with the carrier about the flag.

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the License Agreement with Verizon Wireless to lease a portion of Anderson Park for the continued operations an Antenna Facility/Cell Tower and establishing the lease terms.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment No. 1 to License Agreement.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Hicks, seconded by Hilton 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. 24. 2023-0675 CONSIDER (1) ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 23-158 AMENDING THE FY 2023-24 BUDGET, AND (2) AWARDING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO LONG BEACH FORD LLC, TO BUY ONE NEW 2023 FORD F-350 TRUCK AND ONE NEW 2023 FORD F-550 TRUCK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-158, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS";
2. AWARD and APPROVE the proposed Purchase Agreement with Long Beach Ford, LLC for the purchase of one new 2023 F-350 truck and one new 2023 Ford F-550 truck at a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$155,221.93 (Exhibit No. 4; "Agreement"); and
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 25. 2023-0730 CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-163 TO ALLOCATE FUNDING REVENUE RECEIVED FROM THE PERMANENT LOCAL ALLOCATION GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 TO FUND SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION DEFERRED LOAN PROGRAM.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:
1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT and "AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 23-163 TO ALLOCATION FUNDING REVENUE RECEIVED FROM THE PERMENANT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/23 TO FUND SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION DEFERRED LOAN PROGRAM"
2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager or it's designee to approve deferred loan up to \$50,000.00.

ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 26. 2023-0642 CONSIDER AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO T&G GLOBAL LLC, DBA ST. NICK'S CHRISTMAS LIGHTING AND DÉCOR TO PROVIDE HOLIDAY DECORATING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF CARSON (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:
1. AWARD and APPROVE the proposed Contract Services Agreement with T&G Global LLC dba St. Nick's Christmas Lighting and Décor for a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$473,682.00 over the initial three (3) year term (Exhibit No. 5; "Agreement"); and
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 26 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 27. 2023-0744 CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT WITH MCWIL SPORTS SURFACES, INC. TO COMPLETE ADDITIONAL WORK TO BUILD PICKLEBALL COURTS AT HEMINGWAY PARK (CITY COUNCIL).

Recommendation: TAKE all of the following actions:
1. APPROVE the proposed Amendment No. 1 to Public Works Agreement with McWil Sports Surfaces, Inc., to add to the scope of work and increase the Contract Sum by \$14,600 for a total Contract Sum of \$52,000 (Exhibit No. 1; "Amendment No. 1").
2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of a construction contingency in the amount of \$5,200 (10% of amended Contract Sum), in lieu of the previously authorized amount of \$3,740, representing an increase of \$1,460, for any unforeseen construction work such as substructure conflicts, contaminated soil removal and disposal,

material testing, and other work that may be necessary to complete the project.

3. AUTHORIZE Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 27 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 28. 2023-0715 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RETROACTIVE PAYMENTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES FOR CORRECTIVE SALARY WAGES (JUNE 25, 2021 - JUNE 22, 2023) AND WAIVER OF REPAYMENT FOR OVERPAYMENTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

Item No. 28 was heard after Item No. 23.

Director Jefferson gave a report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear expressed his gratitude to the staff for the corrections.

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE retroactive corrective salary wages of \$189,984.30 and waive repayment of overpayments of \$2,397.80 for city employees from June 25, 2021 through June 22, 2023.
2. APPROVE Budget Resolution No. 23-156, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Dear, seconded by Hilton 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. 29. 2023-0637 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE WEST COAST FIRE & INTEGRATION, INC SERVICES AGREEMENT (C22-116) FOR ADDITIONAL SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE FIRE ALARM AND INTRUSION SYSTEMS MAINTENANCE/MONITORING AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-153, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Public Safety Agreement with West Coast Fire & Integration, Inc., to increase the contract

sum from \$328,820.56 to \$361,045.56 for additional scope of work. (Exhibit No. 2)

2. ADOPT Resolution No. 23-153, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Carson amending the fiscal year 2023-24 budget and appropriating \$110,000 from the General Funds Reserves to the Public Safety GL account to cover West Coast & Fire Integration, Inc. contract (C22-116)".

3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 29 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 30. 2023-0598 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO BEDROCK GROUP, INC. FOR PROJECT NO.1718: JAMES ANDERSON PARK, ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADES

Item No. 30 was heard after Item No. 28.

Director Rodgers gave a report.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the Plans, Specifications and Estimate for Project No.1718: James Anderson Park, Accessibility Upgrades.
2. AWARD a Construction Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Bedrock Group, Inc. for Project No. 1718: James Anderson Park Accessibility Upgrades, in an amount not to exceed \$1,688,094.25.
3. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of construction contingencies in the amount of \$168,809.43 (10%) for any unforeseen construction work such as substructure conflicts, contaminated soil removal and disposal, material testing, and other additional work the City may request as appropriate that may be necessary to complete this project.
4. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a Construction Contract with Bedrock Group Inc. following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Hicks, seconded by Dear 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. 31. 2023-0670 CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT TO RON'S MAINTENANCE, INC. TO PROVIDE CATCH BASIN CLEANING SERVICES CITYWIDE

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a Contract Services Agreement to Ron's Maintenance, Inc. for the cleaning of catch basins citywide, in the amount of \$203,385 per year for the next three years, plus as-needed catch basin stenciling of \$19,370 per year, for a total not-to-exceed contract sum of \$668,265, with City options to extend the contract for an additional three years at the City's sole discretion.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Contract Services Agreement with Ron's Maintenance Inc. following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 31 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 32. 2023-0673 CONSIDER AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO RJ NOBLE COMPANY FOR PROJECT NO. 1642: DEL AMO BOULEVARD PAVEMENT REHABILITATION AND CONCRETE REPLACEMENT FROM CENTRAL AVE TO WILMINGTON AVENUE; AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-162" 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: TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a construction contract for Project No. 1642: Del Amo Boulevard from Central Ave to Wilmington Avenue, not to exceed the amount of \$2,924,641.10, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, RJ Noble Company.
2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of construction contingencies in the amount of \$292,464.11 (10%) for any unforeseen construction work such as substructure conflicts, contaminated soil removal and disposal, material testing, and other additional work the city may request as appropriate that may be necessary to complete this project.
3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-162: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS," appropriating \$808,560.00 from the unassigned SB-1 fund balance and \$728,546 from CIP/General Fund to augment the current amount budgeted for Project No. 1642: Del Amo Boulevard Street Improvement from Central Avenue to Wilmington Avenue (Exhibit No. 3).
4. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Construction Contract

with RJ Noble Company following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 32 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 33. 2023-0716 CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-155, AMENDING THE ADOPTED FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 AND 2024/25 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) LIST BUDGET

Item No. 33 was heard after Item No. 30.

Director Rodgers gave a report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear inquired if the updates on the neighborhood projects will be available on the City's website. Director Rodgers stated updates will be added to the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) book and will be given to the Finance Department for public inspection. It will also be available on the City's website in the future.

Recommendation: APPROVE and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-155, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE ADOPTED FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET" by decreasing the General Fund Balance by \$5,540,491.00 and the Special Revenue Funds by \$2,182,655.00, totaling \$7,723,146.00 to increase the FY2023/24 5-Year CIP Budget and decrease the anticipated funding for FY2024/25 CIP Budget.

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

During discussion of the motion, Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes reminded staff the City Council previously discussed the verbal reports on projects and moving forward to be presented at each meeting.

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

Item No. 34. 2023-0717 CONSIDER AWARDING A PURCHASE ORDER TO DAKTRONICS INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW GALAXY GT6X 8MM HIGH RESOLUTION LED DISPLAY

(MARQUEE) TO BE INSTALLED AT VETERANS PARK FOR THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND CONSIDER APPROVING A PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT WITH CUSTOM SIGNS, INC. FOR INSTALLATION OF THE NEW GALAXY GT6X 8MM HIGH RESOLUTION LED DISPLAY AT VETERANS PARK

Recommendation: 1. AUTHORIZE and APPROVE a purchase order in the amount of \$34,765.85 to Daktronics Inc., for the purchase of one Galaxy GT6x 8MM high resolution display consistent with Omnia Partners Contract #R220601 (Exhibit No. 1).
2. APPROVE the proposed Public Works Agreement with Custom Signs, Inc. for a total not-to-exceed Contract Sum of \$24,510.54, plus contingency for a grand total of \$26,961.59 (Exhibit No. 4).
3. AUTHORIZE Mayor to execute the Agreement with Custom Signs Inc., following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 34 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 35. 2023-0718 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT TO LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS, FOR WEED ABATEMENT, REMOVAL OF MISCELLANEOUS DEBRIS, AND COVER OF GRAFFITI WITHIN THE CITY'S PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

Item No. 35 was heard after Item No. 33.

Mayor and City Council expressed concerns about the increase in graffiti throughout the city.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked for a proposal to hire additional staff needed to fix the issues.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton stated that it is important that graffiti is taken down the same day because we do not know if there are hit messages in the graffiti.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks reiterated that the request is for two graffiti trucks and four individuals be in place to take care of the north and south ends of the cities.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear stated that the crews use to photograph the graffiti before they removed it to assist with the arrest of the tagger.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. clarified that is still the process of photographing and the photos are given to the sheriffs.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:
1. AWARD a Maintenance Contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Los Angeles Conservation Corp, for weed

abatement, removal of miscellaneous debris, and cover of graffiti, in the amount of \$433,379.89.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a Maintenance Contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Dear, seconded by Hilton 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. 36. 2023-0740 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF QUITCLAIM DEED GRANTED TO B8 ALONDRA INDUSTRIAL OWNER, LLC TO RELEASE ANY AND ALL SEWER EASEMENT INTERESTS

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:
1. APPROVE the Quitclaim Deed from City of Carson to B8 Alondra Industrial Owner, LLC; and
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Quitclaim Deed following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 36 was approved on Consent.

DISCUSSION: (Items 37 to 38)

Item No. 37. 2023-0700 CONSIDER INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-2308, AMENDING SECTION 2707 (STIPEND AND EXPENSES) OF CHAPTER 7 (DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS) OF ARTICLE II (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE PLANNING COMMISSION STIPENDS FROM \$50 PER MEETING TO \$100 PER MEETING AND TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY STIPEND LIMIT FROM \$200 TO \$400 PER MONTH PER COMMISSIONER (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 37 was heard after Oral Communications For Matters Listed On The Agenda (Members of the Public).

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton stated that it is important to increase the Planning Commission stipend.

Recommendation: TAKE the following action:
INTRODUCE for first reading, by title only with full reading waived, ORDINANCE NO. 23-2308, " AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING SECTION 2707 (STIPEND AND EXPENSES) OF
CHAPTER 7 (DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS) OF
ARTICLE II (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL
CODE TO INCREASE PLANNING COMMISSIONER STIPENDS
FROM \$50 TO \$100 PER MEETING, AND TO INCREASE THE
MONTHLY STIPEND LIMIT FROM \$200 TO \$400 PER MONTH
PER COMMISSIONER"

ACTION: It was moved to introduce Ordinance No. 23-2308, as read by title only, on motion of Hilton, seconded by Dear.

During discussion of the motion, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear stated the Planning Commission spends a great amount of time and does great work for the future of the city.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested staff to look into why Dianne Thomas is the temporary Chair of the Planning Commission. City Manager Roberts, Jr. responded in the affirmative.

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

Item No. 38. 2023-0722 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)

Item No. 38 was heard after Item No. 35.

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 continued this item.

MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS

This item was heard after Council Member Requests To Add Items To Future Agendas.

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

Barbara Gibson
Emma Galoosian
Craig A. Marlette
Agrifina A. Teofilo
Eunice Dotson
Senator Dianne Feinstein
Nellie Hullana Galeon
Gertrude "Trudy" Langit
Jimmy Broussard

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton requested to add Lula Ray, Pastor Leonard White, Pastor Ricky Beasley, and Deacon Burns to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested the flag be raised at half-staff for United States Senator Dianne Feinstein.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton gave a prayer.

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

This item was heard after Item No. 37.

Avater Winborne

Referred to the short-term rental on her block; feels bullied by people occupying the short-term rental.

Subsequently, Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes created the Short-Term Rentals Ad Hoc Committee to consist of Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton and herself who will provide recommendations to the City Council with no objection heard. City Manager Roberts, Jr. to assist with the ad hoc committee.

Terry London

Expressed concerns about short-term rental on her block and is the neighbor to Avater Winborne. She requested special and increased patrol by Carson Sheriff Deputies.

Monica Vazquez

Spoke about issue of street maintenance; requested street repairs in the southern portion of the City; the community feels pothole repairs are being neglected and would like to see more street repairs which are needed in District 2 and District 3.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. stated a contract regarding street maintenance and repairs in all districts will be presented at a future meeting.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear expressed concerns about potholes throughout the city and that a permanent solution needs to be made quickly, not just a temporary solution.

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton requested the City Attorney look into the "No Bail" policy.

Subsequently, Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes created the No Bail Policy Ad Hoc Committee to consist of Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton, Council Member Rojas and City Attorney Soltani who will bring back recommendations to the City Council, with no objection heard.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas mentioned Proposition 47.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks requested status reports on the website and animal control program.

City Manager Roberts Jr. shared that the Animal Control Contract is being picked up by Los Angeles County and staff is currently recruiting for the Animal Control Officer.

Director Carter shared that a website vendor has been selected and will be on the next City Council agenda.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked about an ordinance for food vendor trucks being allowed within 1,000 feet of a sports center and requested staff to reach out to the Mayor of the City of Inglewood.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested an update on improvement grants for Carriage Crest Park and Scott Park and an update on the money from Assembly Member Mike Gipson.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. stated that Director of Community Services Whittiker, Jr. will give an update on Carriage Crest Park and Scott Park at the next City Council meeting on October 17, 2023.

Also, Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked staff to coordinate meetings of the newly created Short-Term Rentals Ad Hoc Committee (consisting of Mayor Davis-Holmes and Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton) and No Bail Policy Ad Hoc Committee (consisting of Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton, Council Member Rojas, and City Attorney Soltani).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks reported items were raised at the Town Hall Meeting at Perry Street Mini Park: Residents are requesting increased lighting along 213th Street between Chico Street and Martin Street. In addition to Perry Street between 213th Street and Carson Street, residents are requesting speed humps. The final item came by way of Calas Park - Carson Street that was approved this evening for resurfacing of Carson Street between the 405 Freeway and Santa Fe Avenue requesting the medians be upgraded and the lighting to mirror that of Carson Street between the 405 Freeway and Figueroa Street to the west (same look you see on Carson Street from the 405 Freeway to the 110 Freeway to have same look on the opposite side of the 405 Freeway to Santa Fe Avenue).

City Manager Roberts, Jr. stated the residents could work with the city's Traffic Engineer, John Merrill. He stated he is aware of the street lights issue. Also, the medians upgrade is part of the beautification project and will be handled with the medians contract which will be on the agenda at a future meeting.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked about broken street lights on Carson Street, east of the 405 Freeway and asked for more durable equipment.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes announced the Jazz Festival on Saturday, October 7, 2023 at Anderson Park and mentioned she would like to know who from staff will be in attendance for VIP parking and seating. She thanked everyone and City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani for their work.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas announced the Philippine American History Month Kickoff on Sunday, October 8, 2023 at the Carson Civic Center, east parking lot, from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. which will continue to the Atrium for a Cultural Fashion Show until 7:00 P.M.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested staff to contact the manager and owner of the senior housing development on Sepulveda Boulevard near Diana's Mexican Restaurant. She received several complaints of the safety issue and the manager and has been off for six months.

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

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas' upcoming birthday and invited everyone to sing happy birthday to her.

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 8:14 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

Lula Davis-Holmes
Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman

ATTEST:

Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw
City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Housing Authority

APPROVED BY CARSON
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
HOUSING AUTHORITY

10-17-2023

Approved as Submitted. JH/JD/0/LDH 4/0