

## **CITY OF CARSON**

## MINUTES CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHROTIY SPECIAL MEETING FEBUARY 16, 2016 4:00 P.M.

## CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Albert Robles in the Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

## ROLL CALL:

Acting Chief Deputy City Clerk Simarago noted the roll:

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

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Albert Robles, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Elito Santarina, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Lula Davis-Holmes (entered at 4:02 P.M.), Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jawane Hilton

#### **Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Members Absent:**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Donesia Gause

#### Also Present:

Kenneth C. Farfsing, City Manager; Cecil Rhambo, Jr., Assistant City Manager; Sunny Soltani, City Attorney; Gail Dixon-McMahon, Director of Huma Resources; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Joy Simarago, Acting Chief Deputy City Clerk

#### CLOSED SESSION (Items 1 to 4)

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY**

#### Janice Schaffer – Item No. 3

 Offered comments on the pending legal case between Donesia Gause and Monette Gavino

#### Dr. Rita Boggs - Item No. 3

 Offered comments regarding the pending legal case between Donesia Gause and Monette Gavino

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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

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

## **RECESS:**

The meeting was recessed at 4:06 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles to Closed Session.

## **RECONVENE:**

The meeting was reconvened at 5:15 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles 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. 1. 2016-203 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: Tallameasha Johnson vs. City of Carson, Los Angeles Superior Court, BC549177.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

## Item No. 2. 2016-218 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

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: Stephen Ross vs. the City of Carson; Case Number WCAB Nos. ADJ 3228655 and ADJ 2910365; Court Name Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.

ACTION: Item No. 2 was approved unanimously and a settlement of \$375,000 was issued. City Council authorized City Manager Farfsing to execute the settlement agreement.

## Item No. 3. 2016-233 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and (h), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which a City employee is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Donesia Gause vs. Monette Gavino; Case Number: YS028166; Court Name: Torrance Superior Court.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

# Item No. 4. 2016-258 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: Voice of San Diego v. City of Carson, LA Superior Court Case No. BS155366.
- ACTION: No reportable action was taken.
- **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** None.

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS** – None.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)** – None.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles.

Albert Robles Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman

ATTEST:

Jim Dear City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary