

#### **CITY OF CARSON**

### MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 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, Carson City Hall, 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 Jawane Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jim Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Cedric Hicks, Sr., 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; Tarik Rahmani, Deputy City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Michael Whittiker, Jr., Director of Community Services; and Crystal Williams, Director of Human Resources

### FLAG SALUTE:

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

### **INVOCATION:**

Arnold Ng from the audience gave the invocation.

# **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 5:06 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

### **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened at 6:04 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:

# **CLOSED SESSION (Item 1)**

# Item No. 1. 2023-0112 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 two cases.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

# **INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)**

# Item No. 2. 2023-0087 REPORT FROM CAPTAIN JONES OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION

Captain Jones reported/announced the following:

- National Read Across America Event on March 2, 2023; Planned visits to Catskill Elementary School and Annalee Elementary School between March 1, 2023 and March 3, 2023 distributing books and reading
- Planned attendance at the Carson Accountability and Transparency Sai Momoli Civic Excellence Award Event on March 2, 2023 at the Dignity Health Sports Park
- Hosting Pizza with the Police Event, on March 1, 2023 at Chuck E. Cheese located at the Southbay Pavilion from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- Citizens Academy, March 7, 2023 through May 9, 2023, ten week course covering procedures and educating the community; if interested contact Community Relations Office for more information
- Inclement weather coming up and reminded citizens to check their vehicles tires, windshield wipers, and lights
- Stay away from down power lines and dial 911 for emergency
- Month of February is Youth Leadership Month; Started the Explorer Academy for local youth leaders between the ages of 14 to 18; if interested contact the Community Relations Office

- National Resource Officer Appreciation Day, on February 15, 2023; thanked the local schools, administrators, and parents for the great job that they do in partnership with the Carson Sheriff Station ensuring schools safety. He thanked the Mayor, City Council and City Manager for providing the Carson Sheriff Station with School Resource Deputy Acanis who does a great job. He thanked her for her dedication and ensuring students stay safe.
- Today, two new Deputies were assigned to the Carson Sheriff Station
- Today, Carson Homeless Team partnered with the County Homeless Team providing resources and services such as recreational vehicle (RV) and trash cleanup along Wilmington Avenue near Gladwick Street
- Special Assignment Team did an operation with the Narcotics Team and successfully took numerous illegal drugs off the streets and arrested two individuals
- Be aware of the dangers of fentanyl and other illegal drugs

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested information on the Explorer Academy and offered words of support of the Citizens Academy at the Carson Sheriff Station.

Mayor and City Council thanked Captain Jones and Deputies for their hard work.

# PRESENTATIONS

# Item No. 3. 2023-0057 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 27TH AS DOMINICAN REPUBLIC INDEPENDENCE DAY (CITY COUNCIL)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas read the proclamation which was accepted by Dominican Republican guests who attended the meeting. She introduced members of the Dominican Consulate. Marisol Perez and Dominican Consul Alfonso Rodriguez offered words of gratitude. Dominican Chamber of Commerce Representative Edith presented the City with a painting of three sisters representing women of empowerment.

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

### <u>Lee Aceves, representing owner of one of six parcels on Anelo Street - Item No. 27</u> Referred to last City Council meeting held via Zoom that he joined in and could not be heard; requested to be excluded from the rezoning proposal

Bill Smalley, representing Colony Cove Homeowners - Item No. 27

Offered comments in support of the General Plan; gave kudos to staff, City Manager's Office, Planning Commission, City Council and City Attorney Soltani for their guidance with the General Plan

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Item No. 4. 2023-0028 APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 13, 2022 (SPECIAL);

# JANUARY 3, 2023 (REGULAR); AND JANUARY 17, 2023 (REGULAR)

Item No. 4 was heard after Item No. 27.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes as listed.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hicks, Sr., 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 Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas
 None
 Abstain: None
 Absent: None

### CONSENT: (Items 5 to 26)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued Item No. 10 at the request of the City Manager, with no objection heard.

It was moved to approve Consent Items No. 5 to 26 on motion of Hilton, seconded by Dear.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested to remove Items No. 24, 25 and 26 for discussion.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. requested to remove Item No. 21 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 5 to 26, except Items No. 10, 21, 24, 25, and 26, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:Mayor/AgencyChairman/AuthorityChairmanDavis-Holmes,MayorProTempore/AgencyViceChairman/AuthorityViceChairmanHilton,CouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberDear,CouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberHicks,Sr.,andCouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberRojasNoes:None

Abstain: None Absent: None

Item No. 5. 2023-0105 Resolution No. 23-042, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,779,082.57, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 166185 THROUGH 166371 ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 6. 2023-0107 CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH ENDING JANUARY 31, 2023

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 7. 2023-1050 Resolution No. 23-03-CSA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,147.75, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001886 THROUGH SA-001890

ACTION: Item No. 7 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 8. 2023-1057 Resolution No. 23-03-CHA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,220.00, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS HA-001933 through HA-001934

- ACTION: Item No. 8 was approved on Consent.
- Item No. 9. 2023-0089 COVID-19 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)
- Recommendation: 1. RECEIVE and FILE.
- ACTION: Item No. 9 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 10. 2022-994 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR A CITYWIDE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READER (ALPR) PROGRAM AND RESOLUTION NO. 22-253 FOR ADOPTION OF AN ALPR PRIVACY & USAGE POLICY (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation:
1. APPROVE the proposed Contract Services Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for a five-year term with a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$815,215.24 (Exhibit No. 1 the "Agreement").
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 22-253, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS USAGE AND PRIVACY POLICY" (Exhibit 5). ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item at the request of the City Manager, with no objection heard.

Item No. 11. 2023-0113 CONSIDER APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO CITY OF CARSON TOWING AND STORAGE NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH KAM'S AUTOMOTIVE, INC., DOING BUSINESS AS FALCON TOWING, AND APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE CITY OF CARSON TOWING AND STORAGE NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH KRUGER TOWING, INC. FOR TOWING AND STORAGE SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

 APPROVE and RATIFY Amendment No. 4 to City of Carson Towing and Storage Non-Exclusive Franchise Agreement with Kam's Automotive, Inc. doing business as Falcon Towing extending the term to March 31, 2023; AND
 APPROVE and RATIFY Amendment No. 2 to City of Carson Towing and Storage Non-Exclusive Franchise Agreement with Kruger Towing, Inc. for towing and storage services extending the term to March 31, 2023; AND
 APPROVE, AUTHORIZE and RATIFY execution of Amendment No. 4 and Amendment No. 2 by the City Manager after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 11 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 12. 2023-0110 CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACT SERVICES WITH ECS IMAGING, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL LASERFICHE CLOUD DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement for Contract Services with ECS Imaging, Inc., increasing the not-to-exceed contract sum by \$16,600.00, to \$56,185.00, for additional services (Exhibit No. 1; the "Amendment"); and 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 12 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 13. 2023-0068 CONSIDER A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE SEGAL COMPANY TO CONDUCT A CITY-WIDE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY Recommendation: Approve and execute the professional services agreement with The Segal Company to conduct a citywide classification and compensation study.

ACTION: Item No. 13 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 14. 2023-0114 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 23-044 AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING A REVISED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT SERVICES SUPERVISOR (CITY COUNCIL)

- Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-044, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING THE REVISED JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION FOR EVENT SERVICES SUPERVISOR."
- ACTION: Item No. 14 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 15. 2023-0069 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT NO. 1 FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES WITH UC ADVANTAGE, INC.

- Recommendation: Consider approving Contract Amendment No. 1 for unemployment insurance administrative services with UC Advantage.
- ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.
- Item No. 16. 2023-0072 APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO CONSIDER CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT DABBAH WITH HADDAD SULEIMAN. A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION. (CONTRACT NO. C-18-078) FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION DEFENSE ATTORNEY SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)
- Recommendation: TAKE all of the following actions:

 APPROVE the proposed Amendment No. 4 to Agreement for Contract Services with Dabbah Haddad Suleiman, a Professional Corporation (Exhibit No. 5) ("Amendment No. 4"); AND
 AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 4 following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 17. 2022-1002 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 23-040 AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY

ADOPTING NEW SALARY SCHEDULES FOR THE EXISTING UNREPRESENTED PART-TIME POSITIONS OF CASHIER CLERK, LIFEGUARD, SWIM INSTRUCTOR II, AND SENIOR LIFEGUARD EFFECTIVE UPON CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL (CITY COUNCIL)

- Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 23-040, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING NEW SALARY SCHEDULES FOR THE EXISTING UNREPRESENTED PART-TIME POSITIONS OF CASHIER CLERK, LIFEGUARD, SWIM INSTRUCTOR II, AND SENIOR LIFEGUARD EFFECTIVE UPON CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL"
- ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

# Item No. 18. 2023-1061 CONSIDER A CO-SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FOR THE ADULT REAL RUN BASKETBALL LEAGUE

- ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.
- Item No. 19. 2023-0091 CONSIDER APPROVING MEASURE A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM MASTER AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (CITY COUNCIL)
- Recommendation:
  1. APPROVE the "Measure A Technical Assistance Program Master Agreement" with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (Exhibit No. 1; the "Master Agreement," or "Agreement"); and
  2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Master Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
- ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 20. 2023-0067 CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AMEND THE BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR ROBERTSONS READY MIX LTD FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$30,000 AND SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Division to increase PO #22300691 for Robertsons Ready Mix LTD. not to exceed \$54,999.

2. WAIVE the bidding requirement utilizing the sole source exception under Section 2611(e) of the CMC.

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.

### Item No. 21. 2023-0071 CONSIDER AWARDING A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO BARKSHIRE LASER LEVELING INC. TO LASER LEVEL THE BASEBALL DIAMOND INFIELDS AT DOMINGUEZ PARK AND DOLPHIN PARK

Item No. 21 was heard after approval of the Consent calendar.

Assistant City Manager Lennox gave a staff report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. inquired about the gopher hole issues and if will be part of this item. Assistant City Manager Lennox responded to his inquiry.

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD and APPROVE the Public Works Agreement with Barkshire Laser Leveling Inc. for laser leveling of the baseball infields at Dominguez Park and Dolphin Park, for a not-to-exceed contract sum of \$40,000 (Exhibit No. 1)

2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of construction contingencies in the amount of \$4,000 (10%) 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 the Mayor to execute the Agreement following approval as formed by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Hicks, Sr., 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 Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas
- Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

### Item No. 22. 2023-0076 CONSIDER AWARDING A PURCHASE ORDER TO TURF STAR WESTERN FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW TORO PROCORE SR70-S TURF AERATOR FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIVISION (CITY COUNCIL)

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the formal bidding procedures as defined by the Carson Municipal Code, Section 2610; and

2. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Manager pursuant to section 2611 (g) to utilize cooperative purchasing to procure one new Toro ProCoreSR70 Turf Aerator through Turf Star Western, an authorized Toro dealer through Sourcewell Contract #031121-TTC, for an amount not to exceed \$39,873.31 (Exhibit 1).

- ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.
- Item No. 23. 2023-0093 CONSIDER AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION FOR PROJECT NO. 1720 - MODERNIZATION OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER ELEVATOR
- Recommendation:
  1. AWARD a Construction Contract to TK Elevator Corporation for Project No. 1720 - Modernization of the Community Center Elevator, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$194,701.53.
  2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of construction contingencies in the amount of \$29,205 (15%) for any unforeseen construction work and other work that may be necessary to complete this project.
  3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a Construction Contract with TK Elevator Corporation following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
- ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 24. 2023-0079 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RJM DESIGN GROUP FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. 1368 - CARRIAGE CREST PARK EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Items No. 24 and 25 were heard simultaneously after Item No. 21.

Assistant City Manager Lennox gave a staff report.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes inquired if there will be community involvement with the design of Carriage Crest Park, Foisia Park, and grant information. Assistant City Manager Lennox responded to her inquiry.

Recommendation: Take the following actions:

1. APPROVE a Professional Service Agreement with RJM Design Group, Inc. for professional landscape architectural and engineering services to complete the plans, specifications and estimates for Project No. 1368 - Carriage Crest Park Expansion and Improvements Project for a not-to-exceed amount of \$271,966.00.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Professional Services Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations 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 Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None Abstain: None

Absent: None

### Item No. 25. 2023-0081 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ADL PLANNING, INC. FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. 1610: FOISIA PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Items No. 24 and 25 were heard simultaneously after Item No. 21.

Assistant City Manager Lennox gave a staff report.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes inquired if there will be community involvement with the design of Carriage Crest Park, Foisia Park, and grant information. Assistant City Manager Lennox responded to her inquiry.

Recommendation: Take the following actions:

1. APPROVE a Professional Service Agreement with ADL Planning, Inc. for professional landscape architectural and engineering services to complete the plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) for Project No. 1610: Foisia Park Improvement Project, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$388,758.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Professional Services Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Dear and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:Mayor/AgencyChairman/AuthorityChairmanDavis-Holmes,MayorProTempore/AgencyViceChairman/AuthorityViceChairmanHilton,CouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberDear,CouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberHicks,Sr.,andCouncilMember/AgencyMember/AuthorityBoardMemberHicks,Sr.,andCouncilMember/AgencyNoes:NoneNoneNoneNoneNoneNoneNoneNoneNone

Abstain: None

Absent: None

### Item No. 26. 2023-0096 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ADL PLANNING, INC. FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. 1726: COMMUNITY CENTER COURTYARD

Recommendation: Take the following actions:

 APPROVE a Professional Service Agreement with ADL Planning, Inc. for professional landscape architectural and engineering services to complete the plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E) for Project No. 1726: Community Center Courtyard, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$182,353.00.
 AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Professional Services Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Hicks, Sr. and unanimously carried by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas Noes: None
- Abstain: None Absent: None

### SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY: (Item 27)

# Item No. 27. 2023-0103 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER CARSON 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE AND ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 27 was heard after Oral Communications for Matters Listed on the Agenda – Members of the Public.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw gave the Public Hearing report.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes declared the Public Hearing open.

#### Public Testimony

#### Arnold Ng, on behalf of his client who owns property at 18925 Anelo Avenue

Opposed to the 2040 General Plan Amendment which proposes to down zone his property to business residential and mixed use (BRMU) from manufacturing light (ML) zone at present and will essentially band his use which is a truck yard that has been legal since he purchased the property in 1977. He requested to keep Anelo Avenue an ML zone.

### <u>Rosie Dagley, representing Pegasus Warehousing Distribution</u> Opposed to the limitation and proposed rules to the General Plan Update

### Sheila Simpson Johnson

Expressed concerns of park safety, housing, parks, nuisance that could be caused, increase of taxes, increase of electric bills, single family homes could be a problem if eliminated, food shortages, depletion of space, crime, crushing homeowners by way of fines, vexation, taxation, social control, financial coup d'etat, constitutional rights could be infringed, depletion of property values, poverty, overcrowding, electric vehicles becoming the norm – should have a choice, pollution, rent should be up to the homeowners not the government; and opposed to the limitations

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested Sheila Simpson Johnson to meet with her and Assistant City Manager Raymond for a complete understanding of the proposed General Plan.

# Loren Miles, third generation Carson stakeholder

Thanked Mayor and City Council for continuing the General Plan vote in seeking more input from the community; suggested to organize a community of stakeholders including residents, warehouse owners, manufacturers, retailers, small minority owned businesses, and truck yards, along with members of Carson's Planning and Development Department, to organize the time and action for workshops to address numerous issues and concerns expressed. He suggested the following items on the agenda: 1) What media is used for reaching out deep into the community of the various groups to truly hear their voices and suggested email and texting campaign; 2) Time and action regarding workshops, amending the EIR and General Plan, review of the amended plan, and the submission to the City Council; 3) Zone overlay that can add additional uses, without losing the original zone designation at the property owner's choosing with no timeline. He stated he is available to offer support. Also, he was informed of members of the community who have for decades suffering from noise and train traffic along Alameda Street between Dominguez Street and 405 freeway were promised the installation of a sound wall to be constructed which was agreed upon in November 2009 and was never built; requested an investigation be commenced to determine why it was not built and to immediately initiate plans to have the sound wall built.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw noted she received seven letters from the following:

Venskus & Associates Beverly Grossman Palmer at Strumwasser & Woocher LLP Douglas Dowds Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary, LLP - 2 Banner Oak Capital Partners, LP IWLA California Government Relations, The Resource for Warehouse Logistics

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani stated her office reviewed the letters and most of the concerns raised in the letters have been addressed by the direction that City Council gave to staff at the workshop on February 15, 2023 including applying the city's current zoning standards for truck yards, truck terminals and container yards in the proposed General Plan rather than

prohibiting them. There is also the City Council direction prohibiting residential in flex district with exception of two specified sites and creating non-conforming use exceptions for uses that would otherwise be rendered non-conforming by the General Plan update unless abandoned. There will be a thorough review and if any other issues that need to be addressed will provide the City Council with options to address the letters. She stated the importance to clarify that some of the entities who are writing the letters are not following the meetings and workshops closely because if they had they would have known that the City Council changed the direction based on the concerns expressed. She will continue analyzing and working with staff to provide options.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani clarified that the Public Hearing will be continued to March 21, 2023, not March 7, 2023.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes closed the Public Comment period.

Recommendation: 1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CONTINUE the Public Hearing to the March 21, 2023 regular City Council meeting.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued the Public Hearing to March 21, 2023 with no objection heard.

# S. F. Meni Trood, Teacher, Del Amo Elementary School

Introduced her Fourth Grade students from Del Amo Elementary School. Melanie Rodriguez, Aurora Cruz, Taylor Gonzalez, Jacob Cortez and Ariana Redondo introduced themselves and invited the Mayor and City Council to their H2O Water Festival which is to show students and the public how to conserve water to be held in the spring. Date to be determined. Melanie Rodriguez presented a letter from Room 2, Water Dolphins, to the City Clerk.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani clarified that the Public Hearing will be held in the Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California, 90745, at 6:00 P.M., on March 21, 2023.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced that she received a favorable judgment in the Rancho Dominguez case. The court has essentially set aside the resolution approving the park closure. The park owner had sued the City of Carson claiming that the City was responsible for paying the relocation benefits, had complained that the relocation benefits were not enough. The City Attorney took a very aggressive stance in litigation and our position was the entity that wanted the park closed the City has never advocated for the park closure. The City had offered to them to continue as a mobilehome park even though it was a legal non-conforming use and offered for them to do a change zone and told them that we would change the zoning for them. The court saw through the gamesmanship and basically entered a judgment that sets aside the park closure ordinance. The park is not closing and if they want to go through a new process, it would be from the beginning and they would have to redo it. She further stated she will bring a formal resolution to set aside the former resolution. She congratulated the City Council and thanked them for allowing the City Attorney the opportunity to fight this for the residents again.

#### Item No. 28. 2023-0117 CONSIDER (1) RESCINDING COUNCIL POLICY NO. 1.1.02 AND (2) INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 2419 OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO RESTRICTIONS ON COUNCILMEMBER MASS MAILINGS AT PUBLIC EXPENSE (CITY COUNCIL)

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

Mayor and City Council offered comments in support of the item.

Recommendation: TAKE all of the following actions: 1. RESCIND CP No. 1.1.02 in its entirety (Exhibit No. 1); and INTRODUCE, for first reading by title only and with full reading waived, Ordinance No. 23-2302, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING SECTION 2419 (PROHIBITED MASS MAILINGS BY COUNCILMEMBERS) OF CHAPTER 4 (CITY OFFICES - COUNCIL CHAMBERS - MEETINGS) OF ARTICLE II (ADMINISTRATION) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE" (Exhibit No. 2).

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Dear, seconded by Hicks, Sr. and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

- Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None
- Item No. 29. 2023-0118 CONSIDER APPROVING A REVISED COUNCIL POLICY NO. 1.45, RELATED TO RESTRICTIONS ON DISTRICT COUNCILMEMBER EVENTS INCLUDING TOWN HALL MEETINGS AT PUBLIC EXPENSE (CITY COUNCIL)
- Recommendation: TAKE all of the following actions:
  - 1. APPROVE the Revised CP No. 1.45 attached as Exhibit No. 2.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued this item to March 7, 2023, with no objection heard.

#### Item No. 30. 2023-0092 FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-035 TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET (CITY COUNCIL)

Item No. 30 was heard after Oral Communications for Matters Not Listed on the Agenda (Members of the Public).

City Manager Roberts, Jr. stated he is excited about how diligent and fiscally sound the City Council has been with the decision making and excellent fiscal responsibility of staff.

Senior Budget Analyst Ralston Turner gave a PowerPoint Presentation.

Deputy City Manager Rahmani provided clarity on the City measures and oil tax.

Mayor and City Council offered comments and thanked staff for their outstanding work.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. thanked the Mayor and City Council for valuing the employees, their heartfelt and generous opportunity they gave the employees with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund, Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLAs), Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs), and seeing retro checks for staff before Christmas. The staff was excited and thankful for the Mayor and City Council's decision making. He thanked the Mayor and City Council for giving him the opportunity to present the recommendations and have a structurally balanced budget and history making reserve.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated that she is excited to be the Mayor of the City and for a structurally balanced budget for the last two years. She thanked staff for their hard work, thanked the City Council for their support, and everyone involved for making history.

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the 2022-2023 Mid-Year Financial Report. 2. Adopt Resolution No. 23-035, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes ordered this item received and filed with no objection heard.

#### Item No. 31. 2023-0088 ONLY LOCAL UNCONTESTED CONSIDERATION OF **APPOINTMENTS** TO CITY'S THE COMMISSIONS. COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AND CONSIDER ALL (CONTESTED AND YOUTH UNCONTESTED) APPOINTMENTS то THE COMMISSION (CITY COUNCIL)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes asked if the City Council made their uncontested appointments to the Youth Commission. The Council Members responded.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested Parks and Recreation staff to make recommendations of the uncontested appointments to the Youth Commission and that they not be involved in politics.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hilton requested any youth who is committed and interested in serving on the Youth Commission to reach out to him.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested City Manager Roberts, Jr. and Assistant City Manager Lennox to provide a list of names who are willing to serve for her to consider her uncontested and regular appointments to the Youth Commission from the Parks and Recreation staff to the next agenda. She noted the Youth Commission has not been meeting due to lack of a quorum.

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 the Youth Commission; and

3. DIRECT the City Clerk to notify all affected appointments of this action in writing;

4. 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 to March 7, 2023, with no objection heard.

# MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS

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

Uaealesi Josie Epenesa Tuioti-Mariner Joylene Lafulemu Asia Rev. Elder Andy Leavasa Stanley Tobias Wilson, Jr. Filipina "Penny" Basa Bugarin Hershel Clady Bishop David O'Connell Kevin Smith

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hilton requested to add Mother Lala Henderson and Ray Barrett to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested to add Brent to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

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

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

This item was heard after Item No. 26.

# Bill Smalley

Noted the Carson Sheriff Station is in need of adequate equipment and building space; requested the rent control ordinance back on the agenda at a future meeting to discuss what the consumer price index (CPI) has done to the damage of the rent control ordinance

### Kim Cortado, Parks and Recreation Commissioner

Reported/announced the following:

- Excellent Black History Month Motown Tribute Event on Friday, February 17, 2023; Director Whittiker, Jr., Human Services Program Manager Dani Cook, Senior Living Assisted Coordinator Amanda Valorisi, Senior Administrative Specialist Toni Costanza, and staff did a great job
- City of Carson 55th Anniversary Gala Ball, on Saturday, February 25, 2023
- YMCA Senior Nutrition Program in-person meals; thanked Council Member Dear and Council Member Rojas for attending; thanked Council Aides Cac Le, Isaias Pulido and others who assisted in serving lunch to the seniors today; lunch served Monday through Friday, at 11:30 A.M.; check in at 10:30 A.M., Room 122 at the Carson Community Center; make reservations at (310) 835-0212 extension 1487

# COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

This item was heard after Memorial Adjournments.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested to add the following items to a future agenda:

- Establish an ordinance that will change the way the City Council place items on the agenda
- Establish a zone for mobilehome parks

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes inquired if the Mobilehome Zoning Ordinance is part of the General Plan.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani confirmed the Mobilehome Zoning Ordinance is part of the General Plan.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes noted when the General Plan is passed the Mobilehome Park Zoning will also be passed. She noted the Mobilehome Park Zoning Ordinance is part of the City Charter.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear offered comments in support of a Mobilehome Park Zoning Ordinance to be in sync with the City Charter.

# **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

This item was not addressed.

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

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

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 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/Authority Secretary