



## **CITY OF CARSON**

### **MINUTES CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING JUNE 16, 2020 5:00 P.M.**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Albert Robles via Zoom Teleconference.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles apologized for the late start of the meeting and noted there were technical difficulties. He noted the agenda will be limited to the Consent items and the budget item and remaining items continued to Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. He announced the City Council Special Meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. regarding the re-opening of the City, City Hall and other activities.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Donesia Gause-Aldana noted the roll:

#### **Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Present via Zoom Teleconference:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Albert Robles, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Jim Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Lula Davis-Holmes, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jawane Hilton, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Cedric Hicks

#### **Also Present via Zoom Teleconference Telephone:**

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; Sharon Landers, City Manager; Sunny Soltani, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; David Roberts, Assistant City Manager; John Raymond, Assistant City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Faye Moseley, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management; and Tarik Rahmani, Director of Finance

#### **FLAG SALUTE:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles ordered to forego this item.

#### **INVOCATION:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles ordered to forego this item.

## INTRODUCTIONS

### **Item No. 1. 2020-365      REPORT FROM CAPTAIN SKEEN OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION**

Captain Skeen gave a report on fireworks enforcement.

Mayor Pro Tem Dear inquired if Captain Skeen placed Item No. 15 on the agenda. City Manager Landers addressed his inquiry.

### **Item No. 2. 2020-328      PRESENTATION REGARDING SIMON PROPERTIES GROUP SUING ANOTHER PARTNER TO ALLEGEDLY GET OUT OF THEIR CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION ON A \$3.6 BILLION DEAL JUST LIKE THE TACTICS THEY ARE USING IN CARSON ON THE OUTLET MALL**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 2 to June 23, 2020 with no objection heard.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY – None.**

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

After Item No. 18, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana read public comments from the following:

Darwin Gabriel, middle school math teacher at Stephen M. White Middle School STEAM Magnet – Email - Item No. 18

Requested Council's support in re-evaluating the City of Los Angeles Budget for 2020-2021.

Ana Meni – Items No. 18, 22, 24, and 25

Item No. 18 – Referred to Exhibit 14 Department of Community Services rates and inquired if the rates listed are for resident or non-resident and will there be a separate resolution to update the schedule of fees to reflect the rates.

Item No. 22 – Inquired when does the City plan to meet with AFSCME Local 809 to discuss the proposals in the staff report and has not received any Meet and Confer that will directly impact the AFSCME membership.

Item No. 24 – Inquired when the City plans to meet and discuss hazard pay and has not received notification to discuss which will directly impact the AFSCME membership.

Item No. 25 – Inquired about the following: 1) If elected officials have a personal relationship with individuals at the Harris and Associates firm or their immediate family members; 2) If it was appropriate that members of the City Council unanimously voted for this contract on January 14, 2020, Item No. 32, when they should have abstained from voting and disclosed the conflict of interest; 3) How did Director Moseley select the three vendors that was unanimously approved by the City Council for investigative services at the January 14, 2020 City Council Meeting, Item 32, considering that there was no RFQ or RFP process; 4) Why spend so much money on

investigations when majority of the investigations should be handled internally by the Director of Human Resources and the Senior Human Resources Analyst, still vacant for several years; AND 5) How much money has the city spent on legal fees with Aleshire and Wynder relating to investigations.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles responded to Ana Meni's comments regarding Item No. 25.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles advised the public that due to potential technical difficulties the meeting will be limited to the Consent Calendar, Budget item, remainder of Oral Communications and remainder of the items to be continued to Tuesday, June 23, 2020. Also, he announced Special City Council meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020, at 2:00 P.M. to discuss re-opening of the City and Closed Session items.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles addressed questions raised in public comments.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear requested City Manager Landers to meet with Ana Meni, President, AFSCME Local 809. City Manager Landers confirmed she will meet with Ms. Meni.

After Item No. 18, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana read the remainder of the following public comments into the record:

Gabby Campos-Lomeli – Email – Item No. 21

Stated she watched the City Council meeting on June 10, 2020 and heard how the Mayor took offense to her email regarding shut down of the COVID-19 testing site. As a resident of Carson since 1994, she still stands to what she said and does not appreciate how defensive and negative the Mayor was to her public comment. She went to get tested and has not received her test results but now understands the delay due to the doctor with US Health Fairs handling numerous emails. Thanked Councilman Jawane Hilton as he is active with the community and with social media; suggested the City consider an Emergency Alert system.

Eduardo Correa – Public Comment Box – Item No. 22

Requested to reopen the city and needs help with permits in Building and Safety.

Public Comment – Website – Item No. 25

Inquired what is meant by "employee relations investigations" and what is being investigated? Why does the city need to spend money to hire investigators? Can't Directors and Supervisors, along with the Human Resources Department handle problems with employees?

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC) (LIMITED TO ONE HOUR)**

Public Comment - Website

Inquired if there will be a July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks Show at California State University Dominguez Hills (CSUDH).

City Manager Landers stated she was not aware of any fireworks at CSUDH and Dignity Health does not have plans for fireworks at the stadium on July 4, 2020.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear confirmed there will be no fireworks at CSUDH/Dignity Sports Park by the LA Galaxy on July 4, 2020.

Liz Foisia - Email

Referred to the City Council Meeting of June 9 2020 and stated she is not the author of the "nasty" anonymous letter Council Member Davis-Holmes stated publicly that it is "Liz Foisia" who wrote the letter; noted her appointment by Mayor Albert Robles a few years ago to the Planning Commission, unfortunately could not be served adequately because of conflicting schedules with the Utility User's Tax Committee meetings but attended the meetings as an interested Carson resident; and quoted Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

Public Comment - Website

Referred to Tips and Toes business in Carson in which a negative letter regarding the business was placed outside the shop.

Public Comment - Website

Referred to an owner of a nail business in Carson who was rude to her and that she would never visit again.

Public Comment - Website

Referred to Tips & Toes Nail Salon in Carson and as a citizen of the city of Carson and former client, disliked hearing about the racist comment that was made and publicized on the business which is unacceptable and unprofessional. The business does not belong in the City of Carson.

Public Comment - Website

Referred to Tips & Toes business in Carson which is not good for the community and would like friendly people doing business in the city of Carson.

Public Comment - Website

Referred to a flyer circulated for two Grab and Go events this month at the Carson Community Center sponsored by Councilwoman Lula Davis-Holmes; Inquired about the following: 1) Are city properties available to other organizations to use for community events or is it only provided to councilmembers and their associates; 2) If a "volunteer" were to unfortunately get injured somehow while working at either of these events, would the city be liable since it's on city property. Perhaps a sponsor can donate their location to use for these events rather than setting precedents and showing favoritism.

Antonio - Website

Referred to issues affecting Carson residents as follows: 1) Recommend Council consider a resolution banning the sales of fireworks and create a hotline to report illegal sales of fireworks and enforce the ban; 2) Elections are coming up and closely watching city decisions made by the Mayor and Council Members; 3) The city's COVID-19 Data Dashboard has no data such as age, race, gender, Infected nursing homes and areas affected by the corona virus are not being provided on the link; 4) Need for Public Police Oversight Committee and Public City Oversight

Committee elected by Carson residents to make audits and allocation of money diverted to other city programs due to the enormous amount of money spent in Public Safety (27%) and Elected/Appointed/Administration officials (19%) of a 93 million dollar city budget (2019-2020); and 5) Number of litigations and anticipated litigation for the size of the city.

#### Public Comment - Website

Referred to the selection method of employees who were redeployed to work at the Grab and Go event, COVID-19 Testing site and COVID-19 Task Force; inquired about the status of employees who were not redeployed; recommend calling back employees to work and service the community; and hazard pay can be revisited after the city is in a better place.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

#### **Item No. 3. 2020-395 APPROVAL OF THE MAY 19, 2020 CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AND MAY 26, 2020 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Recommendation: Approve the minutes as listed.

ACTION: The minutes were approved as submitted on motion of Dear, seconded by Robles and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

#### **CONSENT: (Items 4-17)**

It was moved to approve the Consent items on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Robles.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes requested to remove Item No. 7 for discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear requested to remove Item No. 11 for discussion.

City Manager Landers requested to remove Item No. 16 for discussion.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles removed Item No. 6 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items 4-17, except Items No. 6, 7, 11 and 16, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Item No. 4. 2020-421 Resolution No. 20-096, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,537,624.93, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 153449 THROUGH 153816**

ACTION: Item No. 4 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 5. 2020-403 CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH ENDING MAY 31, 2020 (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 6. 2020-299 CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AN AGREEMENT WITH HDL COREN AND CONE TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL AUDIT AND ECONOMIC FORECASTING ANALYSIS OF THE CITY PROPERTY TAX REVENUE; AND CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AN AGREEMENT WITH HDL (HINDERLITER, DE LLAMAS AND ASSOCIATES) TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL AUDIT AND ANALYSIS OF CITY SALES TAX; AND CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AN AGREEMENT WITH HDL SOFTWARE TO PROVIDE SOFTWARE FUNCTIONALITY AND WEB-BASED APPLICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: Take the following actions:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Contract Services by and between the City of Carson and HdL COREN and CONE for professional audit and analysis of City property tax for July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.
2. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Contract Services by and between the City of Carson and Hinderliter, DeLlamas and Associates ("HdL") for professional audit and analysis of City sales tax for July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.
3. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to Agreement for Contract

Services by and between the City of Carson and HdL Software, LLC for Prime Business License and False Alarm billing software for July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021.

4. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the amendments No. 1 to the contracts with HdL.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 6 to June 23, 2020 with no objection heard.

**Item No. 7. 2020-062      CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-029 AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION NO. 77-111, BY ADOPTING NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SANITATION OFFICER (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: WAIVE further reading and APPROVE Resolution No. 20-029, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN, RESOLUTION 77-111, BY ADOPTING NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATIONS FOR SANITATION OFFICER."

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 7 to June 23, 2020 with no objection heard.

**Item No. 8. 2020-367      CONSIDER RENEWAL OF EXCESS LIABILITY, EXCESS WORKERS COMPENSATION, PROPERTY, CYBER LIABILITY, VOLUNTEER ACCIDENT, DRONE INSURANCE, CRIME INSURANCE, STORAGE TANK LIABILITY AND FIDUCIARY LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR FY 2020/21 (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the PRISM (formerly, CSAC-EIA) GL1 Program to provide coverage for the city's Excess Liability Insurance for FY 2020/21, at an overall not-to-exceed cost of \$584,850.
2. APPROVE PRISM (formerly, CSAC-EIA) to provide coverage for the city's Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance for FY 2020/21, at an overall not-to-exceed cost of \$113,000.
3. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place Alliant Property Insurance Program ("APIP") to provide coverage for the city's Property, including terrorism, and pollution for FY 2020/21, at an overall cost of \$104,785.32.
4. APPROVE PRISM (formerly, CSAC-EIA) to provide coverage for the city's Cyber Liability Insurance for FY 2020/21, at an annual premium of \$5,131.
5. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place Volunteer Accident Insurance with The Hartford Insurance Company for FY 2020/21, at a premium of \$340.

6. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place the City's Drone Insurance with Westchester Fire Insurance Company (Chubb Insurance) for FY 2020/21, at a 15-month pro-rated premium of \$1,375.
7. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place Alliant Crime Insurance Program (ACIP) to provide the city's crime coverage for FY 2020/21, at an overall premium of \$2,709.
8. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place Storage Tank Liability Insurance with ACE American Insurance Company for FY 2020/21, at an annual premium of \$4,130.
9. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to place Fiduciary Liability coverage with Hudson Insurance Company for FY 2020/21, at an annual premium of \$5,862.

ACTION: Item No. 8 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 9. 2020-425      CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR THE CONDUCT OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020, REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ADOPTING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

1. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT Resolution No. 20-093, A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Carson, California, Calling For The Holding Of A General Municipal Election To Be Held On Tuesday, November 3, 2020, For The Election Of Certain Officers As Required By The Provisions Of The Laws Of The State Of California; and
2. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT Resolution No. 20-094, A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Carson, California, Adopting Regulations For Candidates For Elective Office, Pertaining To Candidates Statements Submitted To The Voters At A General Municipal Election To Be Held On Tuesday, November 3, 2020; and
3. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT Resolution No. 20-095, A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Carson, California, Requesting The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Los Angeles To Consolidate A General Municipal Election To Be Held On November 3, 2020, With The Statewide General Election To Be Held On The Date Pursuant To Elections Code Section 10403



ACTION: Item No. 9 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 10. 2020-129      CONSIDER THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL REPORT AS REQUIRED BY STATE SENATE BILL 341 (HOUSING AUTHORITY)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 10 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 11. 2020-350      CONSIDER APPROVING PURCHASES OF COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) FUEL FROM CLEAN ENERGY FUELS CORP (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: APPROVE purchases of CNG fuel from Clean Energy through the end of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 in the total amount of \$281,000 per year.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 11 to June 23, 2020 with no objection heard.

**Item No. 12. 2020-389      CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH MDG ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION INSPECTION AND PROJECT COORDINATION SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. AWARD a three-year agreement to MDG Associates, Inc. to provide Residential and Commercial Inspection and Project Coordination services, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023, in a total amount not to exceed \$300,000 from the CDBG and HOME grant funds.  
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 12 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 13. 2020-418      CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-098, AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIPT OF LOCAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANT (LEAP) FUNDS THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
  
1. ADOPT Resolution No. 20-098, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS."

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Standard Agreement provided by HCD, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 13 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 14. 2020-405 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH HR&A ADVISORS, INC. FOR FISCAL AND ECONOMIC ANALYSIS CONSULTING SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with HR&A Advisors, Inc. for a one-year extension for fiscal and economic analysis consulting services, from June 19, 2020 through June 18, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$100,000.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the amendment, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 14 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 15. 2020-420 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-099 DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO PROTESTS IN CARSON OVER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. GEORGE FLOYD ON MAY 25, 2020 BY MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA POLICE (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: APPROVE City Council Resolution No. 20-099, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO PROTESTS IN CARSON OVER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD ON MAY 25, 2020 IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA."

ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.

**Item No. 16. 2020-402 CONSIDER AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO RJ NOBLE COMPANY FOR PROJECT NO. 1393-3: CITYWIDE ANNUAL OVERLAY PROGRAM AND PROJECT NO. 1411-3: CITYWIDE ANNUAL CONCRETE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a Construction Contract to RJ Noble Company, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for Project No. 1393-3: Citywide Annual Overlay Program, and Project No. 1411-3: Citywide Annual Concrete Replacement Program, in the amount of \$1,479,975.00, subject to Project Labor Agreement.
2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of construction contingencies in the amount of \$221,996.25 (15%) 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 this project.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a Construction Contract with RJ Noble Company, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 16 to June 23, 2020 with no objection heard.

**Item No. 17. 2020-423**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MEDIASTAR, INC. FOR AUDIO VIDEO (A/V) SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH CITY MEETINGS (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE Amendment No. 2 to Contract Services Agreement with Mediastar, Inc. to extend the term by six (6) months and to include on-site support and meeting coverage during the contract term, and staff training for an additional contract sum of \$24,900.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the same upon approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY: (Items 18-19)**

**Item No. 18. 2019-1097**

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-089, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 ANNUAL BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (CITY COUNCIL) CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 20-07-CSA, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SUCCESSOR AGENCY) CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 20-06-CHA, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (HOUSING AUTHORITY) CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 20-097 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE**

**ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR  
2020-2021 (CITY COUNCIL) AND APPROVAL OF THE 2020  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CITY COUNCIL)**

Item No. 18 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana gave the Public Hearing Report.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles ordered the two written communications read earlier by City Clerk Gause-Aldana made part of the Public Hearing with no objection heard.

City Manager Landers gave a staff report.

Director Rahmani gave a PowerPoint presentation of the budget.

City Manager Landers provided additional information.

Questions were asked and answered.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes inquired about the Summer Youth Program.

- Recommendation:
1. OPEN the public hearing, TAKE public testimony for the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget, and CLOSE the public hearing.
  2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 20-089, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (Exhibit A)
  3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No 20-07-CSA, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET (Exhibit B)
  4. WIAVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 20-06-CHA, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET (Exhibit C)
  5. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 20-097, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION LIMIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 (Exhibit D)
  6. APPROVE the 2020 Capital Improvement Plan (Exhibit G)

**ACTION:** It was moved to rescind the decision to eliminate the Youth Program and \$65,000 reduction not be incorporated in the budget and bring back the \$65,000 in the budget in anticipation of a Youth Employment Program for 130 youths at the beginning of the next fiscal year or as soon as permissible on motion of Robles, seconded by Hilton.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles clarified his motion for a budget item of \$130,000 for a Youth Hire Program that will commence for 100 Carson youths to work throughout the fiscal year contingent on city re-opening.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear inquired about the City Manager's recollection of City Council's direction on the Youth Summer Program.

City Manager Landers advised what her recollection was of Council's direction. She stated that she would bring back options related to the Youth Employment Program at next Tuesday's Council meeting.

Discussion ensued between the City Manager and Council Members regarding the Youth Employment Program.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles amended his motion to extend the age requirement to 21 years which was accepted by the seconder of the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear offered a friendly amendment to the motion to commence the program as soon as possible and begin public outreach as well which was accepted by the maker of the motion.

The motion, as amended, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks noted the City's promise to not increase fees in the event Measure C passed. He believed raising the fees for City programs is not in good faith. Discussion ensued about programs in the parks and fees.

It was moved to strike the fee increases of \$10.00 for the Kids Club and \$5.00 for the Summer Day Camp on motion of Robles.

Director Rahmani recommended to endorse the first two tables (Kids Club and Summer Day Camp) with the status quo of the budget line for each of the sites and will come back to Council with the budget related to operations.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles noted that the Measure C Budget Oversight Committee normally reviews the budget and reports to the City Council which did not take place due to the meeting restrictions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear thanked Suzanne Harrell and Larry Kosmont and their firms for their hard work. He referred to the vacancy rate slide and noted the impact of services. He inquired about the revenue expectations.

Director Rahmani responded to Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear's inquiry.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes inquired about exploring other tax options. Discussion ensued between Council Member Davis-Holmes and Mayor Pro Tem Dear regarding generating revenue.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles closed the Public Hearing.

It was moved to approve staff recommendations, as amended, on motion of Robles.

City Manager Landers clarified the motion to include the \$130,000 for the Youth Employment Program without increasing fees of the youth programs and come back with additional adjustments as needed.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear seconded the motion.

The motion, as amended, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes recommended staff to bring back an item regarding revenues at a future meeting.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles encouraged his colleagues to provide him suggestions for revenue generating ideas for a future item in July.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana confirmed the date of August 6, 2020 is the deadline to place a measure on the ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.

City Manager Landers advised the Council that she will move forward with the same company the city used previously for survey work and will work with City Attorney Soltani, Director Rahmani and a Council Member when appointed.

Mayor Pro Tem Dear and Council Member Davis-Holmes stated they were interested to serve on the Ad-hoc Committee.

**Item No. 19. 2020-407 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2015-2020 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO RECEIVE SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE CARES ACT (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the Public Hearing.
2. APPROVE the submission of a Substantial Amendment to the 2015-2020 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
3. AUTHORIZE the following allocation of \$472,890.00 in supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) funds:
  - A. \$113,493.00 to a program to assist small Carson businesses that have suffered negative impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic;
  - B. \$264,819.00 to a program of emergency rental assistance to low- and moderate-income Carson residents facing imminent threat of eviction as a result of loss of income related to the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as to senior residents similarly in peril of eviction;
  - C. \$94,578.00 to cover eligible costs associated with the planning and administration of the business assistance and rental assistance programs.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 19 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**DISCUSSION: (Items 20-25)**

**Item No. 20. 2020-410 REPORT ON STATUS OF ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2782 RELATING TO PROTECTIONS FOR RESIDENTS DISPLACED BY MOBILE HOME PARK CLOSURES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following action:  
1. RECEIVE and FILE the Report.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 20 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**Item No. 21. 2020-406 COVID-19 UPDATE (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: DISCUSS and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 21 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**Item No. 22. 2020-411 CONSIDER DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PREPARE A REOPENING PLAN FOR CITY HALL AND OTHER CITY FACILITIES (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
  
1. DISCUSS and provide direction to staff on the draft reopening plan for Carson City Hall, provide input on the reopening of other City facilities including parks and recreation facilities, and on the outreach and public information efforts to provide information to local businesses about their opportunities to reopen under the current State guidelines.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 22 to June 18, 2020 with no objections heard.

**Item No. 23. 2020-422 CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS; AND/OR CITY COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES; AND/OR CITY-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:  
1. CONSIDER and APPOINT, REAPPOINT or REMOVE members to the Commissions, Committees and Boards; and/or



2. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE member assignments to the City Council Sub-Committees; and/or
3. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE delegates and alternates to the City-Affiliated Organizations; and
4. DIRECT the City Clerk to notify all affected appointments, reappointments or removed members and/or all affected City-Affiliated Organizations of this action in writing;
5. IF APPLICABLE, DIRECT the City Clerk to post and publish in accordance with the Maddy Act.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 23 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**Item No. 24. 2020-409 CONSIDERATION OF HAZARD PAY FOR SPECIFIED CITY EMPLOYEES DURING THE COVID-19 DECLARED EMERGENCY (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: DISCUSS and PROVIDE direction on Hazard Pay for specified City employees during the COVID-19 Declared Emergency.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 24 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**Item No. 25. 2020-330 APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 1 WITH HARRIS & ASSOCIATES FOR EMPLOYEE RELATIONS INVESTIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH HARRIS AND ASSOCIATES FOR EMPLOYEE RELATIONS INVESTIGATIONS COMMENCING JUNE 17, 2020, WHICH INCLUDES INCREASING THE CONTRACT BY \$40,000 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$64,999 (CITY COUNCIL)
2. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT UPON APPROVAL AS TO FORM BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles continued Item No. 25 to June 23, 2020 with no objections heard.

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (None)**

**CLOSED SESSION (Items 26-34)**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS – None.**

**RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION – None.**

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – None.**

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

**Item No. 26. 2020-416 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:  
Norma Jones v. City of Carson; LASC Case No. 19STCV08241.

ACTION: Item No. 26 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 27. 2020-386 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:  
Janna Lee v. City of Carson, et al. - Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 19STCV42200.

ACTION: Item No. 27 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 28. 2020-398 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, with Sharon Landers, City Manager and Faye Moseley, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management, its negotiators, regarding labor negotiations with AFSCME Local 809, AFSCME Local 1017, CPSA and AME.

ACTION: Item No. 28 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 29. 2020-397 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct an employee evaluation.

ACTION: Item No. 29 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on

June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 30. 2020-414 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY)**

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 Carson Reclamation Authority is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows:

CAM-CARSON, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Plaintiff, v. CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY, a California joint powers authority; the CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, a municipal corporation; RE | SOLUTIONS, LLC., a Colorado limited liability company; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, Defendants, Case Number 20STCV16461, Superior Court.

ACTION: Item No. 30 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 31. 2020-415 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:

Watson Land Company v. City of Carson Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 19STCP01720

ACTION: Item No. 31 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 32. 2020-413 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (SUCCESSOR AGENCY)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, to enable the Successor Agency to consider negotiations with Chief Scott Hale of Los Angeles County Fire Protection District, with whom the Agency is negotiating, and to give direction to its negotiator Sharon Landers, Executive Director, regarding that certain real property known as 20820 South Main Street. The Agency's real property negotiator will seek direction from the Successor Agency regarding the price and terms of the property.

ACTION: Item No. 32 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 33. 2020-412 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, to enable the City Council to consider negotiations with Illumination Technologies California, LLC regarding that certain real property at City Parks located at: 19101 Wilmington Ave., 1000 E. 220th St., 23800 S. Figueroa St., 21411 S. Orrick Ave., 703 East Del Amo Blvd., 21205 S Water St., 21330 Santa Fe Ave., 50 Carson 700 E Gardena Blvd., 23410 Catskill Ave., 905 E. Franke St., 1340 E. Diamondale Dr., 22400 Moneta Ave. The City's real property negotiator will seek direction from the City Council regarding lease terms regarding installation of equipment for free Wifi in City Parks.

ACTION: Item No. 33 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**Item No. 34. 2020-417 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) or (d)(3) & (e)(1), because there is a significant exposure to litigation in 1 case.

ACTION: Item No. 34 was addressed at the 4:00 P.M. Special City Council Meeting on June 16, 2020.

**COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS – None.**

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

This item was heard after City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana's Public Comments presentation.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles advised the public that all other items on the agenda will be continued until Tuesday, June 23, 2020. In addition, there will be a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. to address the re-opening of the City. He thanked City management and staff for their involvement in producing the City budget.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Davis-Holmes

- Requested to add Ed Holton and Terry Williams to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana confirmed Ed Holton was included in the Memorial Adjournment Requests and added Terry Williams.

- Requested the City Manager to include discussion of Street Sweeping, Carson Circuit,

and Block Parties in the item regarding re-opening of the City at the special meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020.

- Publicly apologized to Liz Foisia for mistakenly stating that Liz Foisia wrote a public comment.
- Acknowledged her Father's Day Grab N Go event on June 19, 2020 and June 26, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. which she noted was paid for and sponsored by Rich Chix and Carson Citizens Cultural Arts Foundation.
- Wished a Happy Father's Day to all the fathers.

#### Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks

- Acknowledged all the fathers and wished them a Happy Father's Day.
- Announced his Grab N Go Ice Cream event on June 21, 2020 at 1:00 P.M. in partnership with Ken's Ice Cream Parlor, located at 18511 S. Avalon Boulevard, Carson.

#### Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Dear

- Wished all the father's a Happy Father's Day.
- Noted the City of Carson recognizing holidays because of the importance in the community.

#### Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hilton

- Wished all the fathers a Happy Father's Day.
- Wished a Happy Juneteenth to everyone.
- Requested a special proclamation observing June 19, 2020 as Juneteenth.
- Requested to add Ju'na Williams to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.
- Look forward to re-opening the City.
- Referred to the Los Angeles County website for anyone interested in a COVID-19 test with results the next day.

#### Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles

- Announced the Special City Council Meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. to discuss re-opening the City.
- Directed the City Manager for staff to prepare a proclamation for observance of the Juneteenth event on June 19, 2020.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana requested to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of the following individuals and offered prayers and condolences to the families who have lost their loved ones. Also, say a prayer for the nation and all those hurting as well.

- Kathryn Campbell
- Margaret Varela Sanchez
- Edward Holton
- Terry Williams
- Ju'na Williams
- Robert Fuller

**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 8:36 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Robles.

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Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman  
Albert Robles

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary  
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