# CITY OF CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY



TUESDAY, May 5, 2020 701 East Carson Street Carson, CA 90745 Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers

#### **MINUTES**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY 4:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:38 P.M. by Authority Chairman Albert

Robles via Zoom Teleconference.

**ROLL CALL**: Authority Secretary Donesia Gause-Aldana noted the roll:

**Authority Board Members Present via Zoom Teleconference:** 

Authority Chairman Albert Robles, Authority Vice Chairman Cedric Hicks, Board Member Ray Aldridge, Jr., Board Member Young and Board

Member Ramona Pimentel

Also Present via Zoom Teleconference:

John Raymond, Executive Director; Sharon Landers, City Manager; and

Sunny Soltani, Authority Attorney

#### ADD SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEM - CLOSED SESSION

Authority Chairman Robles noted a subsequent need item regarding a closed session matter regarding a litigation that came to the attention of the Carson Reclamation Authority subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

Authority Attorney Soltani requested to add a closed session item to the agenda to discuss pending litigation against the Carson Reclamation Authority in the matter of Cam-Carson, LLC versus the Carson Reclamation Authority. The lawsuit was served after the posting of the agenda. She needs direction from the Carson Reclamation Authority and it could not wait until the next meeting. She did not have the case number during her closed session announcement, but will provide it during her closed session report.

City Manager Landers noted the Case No. 20STCV16461 for the record.

It was moved to add a subsequent need item regarding a Closed Session matter to discuss a pending litigation Cam-Carson versus Carson Reclamation Authority as Item No. 3A on motion of Hicks, seconded by Aldridge, Jr. and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Authority Chairman Robles, Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Board Member

Aldridge, Jr., Board Member Young and Board Member Pimentel

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

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

Item No. 1. 2020-135 APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 14, 2020 CARSON

RECLAMATION AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES; FEBRUARY 4, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES; FEBRUARY 20, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES; FEBRUARY 25, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES; AND MARCH 5, 2020 SPECIAL

**MEETING MINUTES** 

Recommendation: Approve the minutes as listed.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the minutes as listed on motion of Robles, seconded by Pimentel, with Hicks abstaining approval of the January 14, 2020, February 4, 2020, February 20, 2020, and February 25, 2020 minutes only, which was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Authority Chairman Robles, Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Board Member

Aldridge, Jr., Board Member Young and Board Member Pimentel

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

**CONSENT: (Items 2-3)** 

It was moved to approve the Consent items on motion of Robles, seconded by Pimentel and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Authority Chairman Robles, Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Board Member

Aldridge, Jr., Board Member Young and Board Member Pimentel

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Item No. 2. 2020-259 CONSIDER THE MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT

FOR THE CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY FOR MONTH

**ENDING FEBRUARY 2020** 

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 2 was approved on Consent.

Item No. 3. 2020-260 CONSIDER THE MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT

FOR THE CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY FOR MONTH

**ENDING MARCH 2020** 

Recommendation: RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 3 was approved on Consent.

**CLOSED SESSION (Item 3A.)** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEM:

Authority Attorney Soltani announced the Closed Session item.

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was recessed at 4:43 P.M. by Authority Chairman Robles to Closed Session.

#### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened at 5:12 P.M. by Authority Chairman Robles.

#### REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Authority Attorney Soltani provided the Closed Session Report as follows:

Item No. 3A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING

LITIGATION

Recommendation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section

54956.9, to discuss a pending litigation in the matter of Cam-Carson, LLC versus Carson Reclamation Authority, L.A. Superior Court Case

No. 20STCV16461.

ACTION: No reportable action was taken.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY: (None)

**DISCUSSION: (None)** 

ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (None)

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC)

Authority Secretary Gause-Aldana read public comments from the following:

## Jaime Monteclaro, Esq. - Email

Inquiring about the specific claims stated in the Simon Property Group and Macerich lawsuit against the City of Carson. In addition to the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, or Carson Reclamation Authority (CRA) involvement or participation on matter leading up to this lawsuit; how will the taxpayers money be used in this case; and suggested the CRA City Council, the City Manager or Assistant City Manager seek outside counsel for a second opinion in this matter.

# ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (AUTHORITY MEMBERS) - None.

NECESSARY) – None.
RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION - None.
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – None.
ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M. by Authority Chairman Robles.
Authority Chairman Albert Robles
ATTEST:
Authority Secretary Donesia Gause-Aldana, MMC
APPROVED BY
CARSON RECLAMATION AUTHORITY
<u>06-02-2020</u>

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Approved as Submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (AS