

CITY OF CARSON

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SUBJECT:

CITY OF CARSON'S 55TH ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

I. SUMMARY

The City of Carson has been celebrating its 55th Anniversary throughout this year. Five events were approved to commemorate this occasion: a Gala Ball, a 5K Run/Walk, a Golf Tournament, a Street Fair, and a Tour de Carson. All five events have taken place, with the Street Fair and the Tour de Carson occurring in the month since the last Commission meeting. A recap of these two programs will be provided by Community Services Superintendent Bobby Grove and Recreation Superintendent Tim Grierson, respectively.

II. RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE and FILE report.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate. IV. **BACKGROUND**

The City of Carson was formally incorporated on February 20, 1968, after many years of neglect as an unincorporated part of Los Angeles County. By a vote of 6,301 to 3,834,

residents approved its independence, and selected by a narrow 318 votes to call itself Carson.

Since then, the city has seen monumental growth and change, from a landscape of refuse dumps, landfills, and auto dismantling plants, to the construction of the SouthBay Pavilion and the Carson Civic Center (comprised of City Hall, a post office, the Sheriff's station, the Carson Event Center, and the Doubletree Hotel), to the expansion of California State University of Dominguez Hills. In recent years, new development has further altered the geography, with housing and businesses joining long established areas of the City. As the City sets its sights on continued progress, the community can look forward to additional enhancements that will create a better, brighter future for its residents.

The City has been celebrating its many accomplishments during this year's 55th Anniversary. Five programs were approved to bring the community together: a Gala Ball, a 5K Run/Walk, a Golf Tournament, a Street Fair, and a Tour de Carson. All five events have taken place, with the Street Fair and the Tour de Carson recently held. A recap of these two programs will be presented during the meeting.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.VI. EXHIBITS

None.

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