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Report to Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Commission

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Discussion

SUBJECT:

CITY OF CARSON'S 55TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

I. SUMMARY

In 2023, the City of Carson will be celebrating its 55th Anniversary. To commemorate this momentous occasion, three (3) events have been planned: a gala ball, a street fair, and a Tour de Carson. The gala ball is scheduled to be held on February 25, 2023, at the Carson Event Center; the street fair will take place on Carson Street, between Bonita Street and Avalon Boulevard, on July 29, 2023; and the Tour de Carson is scheduled for August 12, 2023, on a yet-to-be-determined route throughout the City. Planning for these events will commence shortly, with a committee established to lead the coordination of each program.

II. RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE and FILE report.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE any other action the Commission 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, sheriff station, the Community Center, and the Doubletree Hotel), to the expansion of California State University, 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.

In 2023, the City will have the opportunity to celebrate its many accomplishments during its 55th Anniversary. Three programs have been proposed to bring the community together: a gala ball, a street fair, and a Tour de Carson. A 55th Anniversary Planning Committee will soon be established to lead the coordination of all three events.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

During the City's recent Budget Cycle, the following proposed budgets were presented for each 55th Anniversary Special Event:

Gala Ball - \$102,574

Street Fair - \$115,231

Tour de Carson - \$43,245

VI. EXHIBITS

None.

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