



**MINUTES  
CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 18, 2011**

**5:00 P.M.**

**THE CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS  
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**AGENDA POSTED: JANUARY 14, 2011**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:08 P.M., by Mayor/Chairman Dear in the Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe called the roll:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Elito Santarina, Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Julie Ruiz-Raber

Council/Agency Members Absent: Council/Agency Member Lula Davis-Holmes (Entered at 9:24 P.M.)

Other Elected Officials Present: Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

Other Elected Officials Absent: Karen Avilla, City/Agency Treasurer

Also Present:

Clifford Graves, Interim City  
Manager/Economic Development General  
Manager Graves, William Wynder,  
City/Agency Attorney; and staff:

Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner,  
Computer Systems Support Technician; and  
Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief  
Deputy Agency Secretary

## **CLOSED SESSION**

City/Agency Attorney Wynder presented the Closed Session items.

### **CLOSED SESSION (Items 1-2) 5:00 P.M. – 5:45 P.M.**

#### **ITEM NO. (1) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code § 54956.8, to enable the Agency Board to consider negotiations with Dan Harkey, Carson Valley, LLC, with whom Agency is negotiating, and to give direction to its negotiators Clifford W. Graves regarding that certain real property APN 7336-003-030. The Agency's real property negotiators will seek direction from the Agency Board regarding the price and terms of payment for the property

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

#### **ITEM NO. (2) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code § 54956.8, to enable the Agency Board to consider negotiations with all property owners on the north side of Carson Street between Santa Fe Avenue and Harbor View Avenue, with whom Agency is negotiating, and to give direction to its negotiators Clifford W. Graves regarding that certain real property all property owners on the north side of Carson Street between Santa Fe Avenue and Harbor View Avenue. The Agency's real property negotiators will seek direction from the Agency Board regarding the expenditure of approximately \$2,380,000 necessary to make improvements to private and public property.

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

(Council/Agency Member Gipson exited the meeting at 5:13 P.M. and entered the meeting at 5:14 P.M.)

**Public Comments**

**Council Closed Session Item No. 5**

**Ken Freschauf, President, Carson Professionals and Supervisors Association**

Reported that the Association has been ready to sign for weeks; however, there was one detail in the MOU over which they have been unable to sign in its present form.

**RECESS:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Recessed at 5:15 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's agenda.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Reconvened at 6:42 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, with Davis-Holmes absent.

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe noted the following:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Elito Santarina, Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Julie Ruiz-Raber

Council/Agency Members Absent: Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes (Entered at 9:24 P.M.)

Other Elected Officials Present: Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

Other Elected Officials Absent: Karen Avilla, City/Agency Treasurer (Entered at 6:48 P.M.)

Also Present: Clifford Graves, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager; William Wynder, City/Agency Attorney; and staff:

Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager; Ray Cruz, Public Services General Manager; and Vic Rollinger, Development Services General Manager;

Denny Bacon, Public Works Program Administrator; Lisa Berglund, Senior Administrative Analyst; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Massoud Ghiam, Senior Civil Engineer; Cedric Hicks, Recreation Superintendent; Mike Page, Community Center Manager; Sheri Repp-Loadsman, Planning Officer; Margie Revilla-Garcia, Public Information Analyst; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary

## **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

(City/Agency Treasurer Avilla entered the meeting at 6:48 P.M.)

City/Agency Attorney Wynder provided the Closed Session report as follows:

### **Agency Closed Session Item No. 1**

A privileged and confidential briefing on possible negotiations was provided. Questions were asked and answered and a negotiations strategy was authorized. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent.

### **Agency Closed Session Item No. 2**

A privileged and confidential briefing on possible negotiations was provided. Questions were asked and answered and a negotiations strategy was approved. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent.

### **Council Closed Session Item No. 1**

A privileged and confidential status report was provided. Questions were asked and answered and a litigation strategy was approved. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent.

### **Council Closed Session Item No. 2**

A privileged and confidential status report was provided. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent, and there was no reportable action.

### **Council Closed Session Item No. 3**

A privileged and confidential status report on ongoing negotiations was provided. Questions were asked and answered and a litigation strategy was approved. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent.

**Council Closed Session Item No. 4**

A privileged and confidential status report was provided. Questions were asked and answered and a litigation strategy was approved. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent.

**Council Closed Session Item No. 5**

A privileged and confidential status report on ongoing negotiations was provided. Questions were asked and answered. Four (4) members participated in the Closed Session, with Davis-Holmes absent, and there was no reportable action.

**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
6:00 P.M.**

**FLAG SALUTE: HONORABLE KAREN AVILLA, CITY TREASURER**

**INVOCATION:** On May 16, 2006, the City Council unanimously approved the offering of a brief invocation at the commencement of all meetings of the City Council or Redevelopment Agency. In doing so, the City Council is cognizant of its legal obligation to assure that such invocations are "legislative prayers," and that they do not purport to advance any particular religion or religious denomination.

Consistent with the so-called "Burbank" prayer decision, the City Council hereby admonishes those who offer invocations to do so consistent with the current state of the law – meaning that an invocation must not be used to identify, advance, or urge a particular religious denomination, or identify a specific religion's deity. This evening we are pleased that our invocation will be offered by: **SENIOR PASTOR MAR POLONIA, PROPHETIC ROAR INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

**NATHANIEL "NATE" RIDDICK, CHAIR, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

At 6:54 P.M., Mayor/Chairman Dear introduced the Mayor and Vice Mayor, City of Tabarre, Haiti.

Mayor Jean Frantz Theodat expressed words of appreciation on behalf of his delegation and the people of Haiti and Vice Mayor Chasin proposed a sister city relationship with the City of Carson.

Veterans Affairs Commissioner Grant reported that Mayor Theodat was the International Grand Marshal at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Kingdom Day Parade on January 17 and thanked Master Tong Suk Chun.

The choir from Haiti gave a musical presentation.

**RECESS:** After Introductions, the City Council was Recessed at 7:19 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the Redevelopment Agency for approval of the Agency minutes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010 (REGULAR)**

The Minutes, as listed on this evening's agenda, were Approved as Submitted on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Dear, Vice Chairman Santarina, Agency Member Gipson, and Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Agency Member Davis-Holmes

**RECESS:** After approval of the Agency minutes, the Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 7:20 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Approval of Minutes.

**RECONVENE:** After Approval of the Council Minutes, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 7:21 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, except Davis-Holmes absent, for Oral Communications – Members of the Public.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

Public testimony may be given on any agenda item as it is called and will be **LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**. Please fill out a Speaker Form in order to be identified correctly in the minutes. The forms are provided on the podium in the Council Chambers. All Speaker Forms must be given to the Agency Secretary/City Clerk at the beginning of the meeting.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

This is the appropriate time for members of the general public to address the Council/Agency on items not on the posted Agenda but are items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council/Agency. Any person wishing to speak at this time is requested to complete a Speaker Form, available on the podium or by the Public Agenda Binder in the Council Chamber. **ORAL COMMENTS WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES PER SPEAKER. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, no action can be taken on these items, and there can be no dialogue or discussion of the items with the Council/Agency other than to place it on the Agenda for a future meeting if appropriate.**

This item was heard at 7:21 P.M.

**Ronald Shimokaji, 1512 E. Carson Street, Sp. 135, Carson, California 90745**

Expressed his displeasure at the behavior of the City Council members.

**Nathaniel "Nate" Riddick, 2723 Monroe Street, Carson, California 90810**

Discussed his concern with the parking by big-rig trucks in the lot at the East Wing of the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center at Carson.

**Frances Cottrell, 19302 S. Cliveden Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Announced that applications for the Carson Women's Club Scholarship Program were distributed to the schools and were also available in the City Clerk's Office and that all donations were welcome.

**Miriam Vazquez, 21413 Martin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Distributed brochures regarding El Pueblo de Los Angeles and the Plaza Firehouse for the Carson Historical Committee and felt that more gang diversion programs were needed to help the children.

**Dr. Rita Boggs, 21328 Island Avenue, Carson, California 90745**

Discussed the issue with the mute button and the Brown Act violation and announced that scholarships were available from the American Chemical Society ([www.chemistry.org](http://www.chemistry.org)) for minority scholars and that the deadline was March 1, 2011.

**Lyn Jensen, 21425 Avalon Boulevard, No. 49, Carson, California 90745**

Reported that she had learned from personal experience that the medical building for the Little Company of Mary across the street from City Hall did not provide urgent care although such services appeared on their signage. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear requested that Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves look into the signage issue.

**Raul Murga, 21111 Dolores Street, No. 189, Carson, California 90745**

Referred to Joint Item Nos. 3/7 on this evening's agendas and reported that it was he who made the request on behalf of Alene Harris and inquired into the specific penalties for any violation of the Carson Municipal Code.

**RECESS:** After Oral Communications – Members of the Public, the Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 7:38 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Item No. 22.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Reconvened at 11:09 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present, except Davis-Holmes and Gipson absent, for the Council/Agency New Business Consent Calendar.

(Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes and Council/Agency Member Gipson reentered the joint meeting at 11:11 P.M.)

**NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 3-6)**

These items are considered to be routine items of Agency/Council business and have, therefore, been placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR. If Agency/Council wishes to discuss any item or items, then such item or items should be removed from the CONSENT CALENDAR. For items remaining on the CONSENT CALENDAR, a single motion to ADOPT the recommended action is in order.

This item was heard at 11:09 P.M.

**Public Comments – New Business Consent Calendar**

**Council Item No. 7 / Agency Item No. 3**

**Raul Murga, 21111 Dolores Street, No. 189, Carson, California 90745**

Reported that it was he who filed a Public Records Act, and his request to the City Clerk was for the staff reports for the past five year period.

**Approval of New Business Consent Calendar**

It was moved to approve the Council/Agency New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear and seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, City/Agency Attorney Wynder referred to Council Item No. 8 and clarified that both Mayor Dear and Mayor Pro Tem Santarina had requested that the item be placed on the agenda.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**ITEM NO. (3)      CONSIDERATION OF MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT (AGENCY TREASURER)**

**THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH COUNCIL ITEM NO. 7**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

1. RECEIVE and FILE

ACTION: Item No. 3 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:



Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (4) CONSIDERATION OF FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER PROGRAM AUDIT REPORT (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

1. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 4 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDER APPROVING A FUNDING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FINANCING OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION LOCATED AT 21356 SOUTH AVALON BOULEVARD (CARSON CONSOLIDATED PROJECT AREA) (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the funding agreement with the county of Los Angeles in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500,000.00.
2. AUTHORIZE the Agency Chairman to execute the funding agreement following approval as to form by the Agency Counsel.

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDER ENTERING INTO AN EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT WITH BRIDGE HOUSING CORPORATION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 244 AND 228 WEST CARSON STREET (CARSON CONSOLIDATED PROJECT AREA) (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement between the Carson Redevelopment Agency and Bridge Housing Corporation.
2. AUTHORIZE the Agency Chairman to execute the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement following approval as to form by Agency Counsel.

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**RECESS:** After the New Business Consent Calendar, the City Council was Recessed at 11:21 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the Redevelopment Agency for Agency Item No. 7.

**DEMANDS (Item 7)**

**ITEM NO. (7) RESOLUTION NO. 11-01 ALLOWING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AGAINST PROJECT 1 FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,559.74, DEMAND NUMBERS 1-005350 THROUGH 1-005364; PROJECT 2 FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$143,601.14, DEMAND NUMBERS 2-004661 THROUGH 2-004670; PROJECT 3 FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,012.12, DEMAND NUMBER 3-000528; AND PROJECT 4 FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$97,503.28, DEMAND NUMBERS 4-000592 THROUGH 4-000599**

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-01 was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Chairman Dear, Vice Chairman Santarina, Agency Member Davis-Holmes, Agency Member Gipson, and Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
**Noes:** None  
**Abstain:** None  
**Absent:** None

**RECONVENE:** The City Council was Reconvened at 11:23 P.M. for a joint session with the Redevelopment Agency by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present for Council Item No. 24 / Agency Item No. 8.

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (Items 8-9)**

**ITEM NO. (8) FEBRUARY MEETING SCHEDULE DUE TO CONDUCT OF THE SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION FOR STATE SENATE, 28TH DISTRICT (JENNY OROPEZA) TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2011 (AGENCY SECRETARY)**

**THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH COUNCIL ITEM NO. 24**

**RECOMMENDATION** for the Redevelopment Agency:

**APPROVE** the meeting schedule for the month of February, 2011, as follows:

Tuesday, February 1	Regular meetings for the City Council and Redevelopment Agency at 5:00 P.M. for the closed session agenda and 6:00 P.M. for the business agenda.
Tuesday, February 15	No meeting due to special primary election.

Wednesday, February 16      Adjourned Regular Meetings for the City Council and Redevelopment Agency at 5:00 P.M. for the closed session agenda and 6:00 P.M. for the business agenda.

**ACTION:**      It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:**            Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber

**Noes:**            None

**Abstain:**        None

**Absent:**         None

**RECESS:**            After Council Item No. 24 / Agency Item No. 8, the City Council was Recessed at 11:25 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear for Agency Item No. 9.

**ITEM NO. (9)            CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE FY 2010/11 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET, RESOLUTION NO. 11-02 (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

Item No. 9 was heard at 11:25 P.M.

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Administrative Services General Manager Acosta discussed the changes from the workshop on December 14, 2010, for the capital projects and subsequently presented the other budgets.

**Public Comments**

**Dr. Rita Boggs, 21328 Island Avenue, Carson, California 90745**

Inquired into the following issues: 1) tax increment; 2) Governor's plan to take back redevelopment agency; 3; impact upon the General Fund. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves clarified that the Agency could continue to collect tax increment, but could not enter into anything new.

**RECOMMENDATION for the Redevelopment Agency:**

**TAKE the following actions:**

1.      REVIEW and DISCUSS the FY 2010/11 Redevelopment Agency budget.
2.      WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-02, "A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FY 2010/11 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BUDGET AND APPROVING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE 2010/11 FISCAL YEAR."

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-02 was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear and seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Dear, Vice Chairman Santarina, Agency Member Davis-Holmes, Agency Member Gipson, and Agency Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

A discussion ensued regarding the Governor's Proposal Report and THE FORMATION OF A Carson Housing Authority. Whereupon, Chairman Dear requested that staff report updates on the agenda.

**RECESS:** The Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 11:59 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Council Item No. 17.

**RECONVENE:** After Council Item No. 28, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 12:33 A.M., on Wednesday, January 19, 2011, for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, for remaining Oral Communications.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS I (STAFF)**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe requested that this evening's meetings be adjourned in memory of the following persons:

#### **Mayor/Chairman Dear**

Lou Ehrhardt  
Davis Lear, Sr.  
Anthony "Tony" Bossart  
Elija Staples, brother of Marvin Clayton  
Christina-Taylor Green, 9-year-old victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011  
Dorwan Stoddard, victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011  
John Roll, victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011  
Gabriel Zimmerman, victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011  
Phyllis Schneck, victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011  
Dorothy Morris, victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011

#### **Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina**

Virginia Johnson

#### **Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes**

Joe Neil Haywood, Sr.

**Council/Agency Member Gipson**

Joe Neil Haywood, Sr.

Margot Anne Veal, mother-in-law of Jerome Horton, California State Board of Equalization  
Maxcy Filer

R. Sargent Shriver, father of Maria Shriver, First Lady of California

**Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber**

John Olguin

Christina-Taylor Green, 9-year-old victim of Tucson shooting on January 8, 2011

**Utility Users' Tax Citizens Oversight Committee Chairman Williams**

Deacon Richard Fraizer

**Public Services General Manager Cruz**

Theresa Ortiz, aunt of Raymond Cruz, Public Services General Manager

**City/Agency Treasurer Avilla**

Provided an update regarding the criminals who were arrested for the cyber crime against the City of Carson; clarified that neither she nor her daughter were responsible for the crime; and urged all elected officials to not participate in this rhetoric.

**Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves**

Provided a report regarding the Neighborhood Pride Program and that questions should be referred to the Economic Development Office.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS II (COUNCIL/AGENCY)**

**Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes**

Reported on her attendance at community events; reported on those who were in attendance; and acknowledged and thanked those who participated.

Referred to the hiring freeze and requested that Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves provide a staff report on the recruitment processes being conducted, e.g., senior clerk and senior maintenance aide positions.

Upon inquiry, City/Agency Attorney Wynder referred to the reporting of "add on" votes and reported that such reporting was within the discretion of the mayor.

**Happy Birthday to Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber**

At the request of City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe, she led those present in singing the birthday song to Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber.

**Council/Agency Member Gipson**

Requested prayers for the incidents at Gardena High School and Santa Monica High School; reported on his attendance at community events, reported on those who were in attendance, announced upcoming events of community interest; commended the Public Works Department for their diligent efforts and filling over 1,000 potholes due to the heavy rain; and extended his greetings for the New Year.

**Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber**

Reported on her attendance at community events; reported on those who were in attendance; reported that she had a great birthday; and extended her greetings for the New Year. She subsequently extended her congratulations to Nathaniel "Nate" Riddick on his upcoming 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 25.

Requested staff to look into the parking of big rig trucks at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center at Carson.

**Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina**

Reported on his attendance at community events; reported on those who were in attendance; acknowledged and thanked those who participated; and extended his greetings for the New Year.

Requested a staff report for the next agenda regarding telecommunications in languages and that information was provided to Public Services General Manager Cruz regarding SEARCH and CIPA, two non-profit organizations.

**Mayor/Chairman Dear**

Reported on his attendance at community events; reported on those who were in attendance; acknowledged and thanked those who participated; and thanked staff and the community for participating in this evening's meeting.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS**

This item was heard after Oral Communications – Council/Agency.

- A. **COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS-HOLMES REQUESTS CONSIDERATION OF THE BROWN ACT PROVISION ALLOWING ELECTED OFFICIALS PARTICIPATION AS A RESIDENT DURING A SUB-COMMITTEE**
- B. **COUNCILMEMBER RUIZ-RABER REQUESTS THE CITY COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION OF THE DREAM ACT**

It was moved to send Item No. A to the Policy Subcommittee and that it required the involvement of the City Attorney and to approve Item No. B on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Ruiz-Raber

Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**UNFINISHED/CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (None)**

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (None)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 1:02 A.M., on Wednesday, January 19, 2011, by Mayor/Chairman Dear and in memory of the individuals requested this evening.

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Chairman Jim Dear

ATTEST:

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Agency Secretary Helen Kawagoe