

# **MINUTES** CARSON CITY COUNCIL **REGULAR MEETING** JULY 19, 2011

#### 5:00 P.M.

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# **AGENDA POSTED: JULY 15, 2011**

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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:04 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tem/Chairman Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber in the Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745. She reported that Mayor/Chairman Dear was en route to the meeting.

**ROLL CALL:** 

City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe called the roll:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-

Raber, Dear Council/Agency Member Lula Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Elito

Santarina

Council/Agency Members Absent: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear (Entered at 5:28

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/Interim Executive Director, William Wynder, City/Agency Attorney; Lindsay Tabaian, Deputy City/Deputy 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.

## **Public Comments**

Council Closed Session Item No. 1

# <u>Paul Randall, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 318, Carson, California 90746, President, Carson Harbor Village Homeowners Association</u>

Urged the City Council to hire the right individual to clean up things in Carson at a reasonable fee.

# Terri Forsythe, 17700 Avalon Boulevard, No. 282, Carson, California 90746, representing Union sisters and brothers

Urged the City Council to hire an individual from the outside with no ties to Carson at a reasonable fee.

# Rosa Banuelos, 17700 Avalon Boulevard, No. 66, Carson, California 90746

Urged the City Council to choose the next city manager carefully and at a reasonable fee.

#### Roger Branch, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 319, Carson, California 90746

Urged the City Council to hire the right individual to do the right thing for Carson at all levels and keep the budget in line.

# Louis Joseph Cogut, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 50, Carson, California 90746

Reminded the City Council that the backbone of the City were the Union brothers and sisters and to consider the benefit of the city workers.

# Tiny Cook, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 197, Carson, California 90746

Urged the City Council to hire the right individual from the outside with new ideas for Carson at a reasonable fee and no employee furloughs.

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

Echoed the comments of the previous speakers and urged the City Council to hire a strong individual at a reasonable fee who would be independent and operate in the best interests of Carson and no employee furloughs.

#### Richard Vaughn, 415 E. Centerview, Carson, California 90746

Stated that he stood in support of the previous speakers and urged the City Council to send a message that Carson cares about its workers and hire an individual at a reasonable fee.

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

# ITEM NO. (1) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (CITY MANAGER)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code §54957 to consider filling the position of City Manager.

ACTION: This item

This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

# ITEM NO. (2) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which the City is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Paz/Vodery Construction and Development, Inc. v. City of Carson, et al., Case No. TC025381, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

**ACTION:** 

This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**RECESS:** 

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Recessed at 5:18 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's City Council agenda only.

(Mayor/Chairman Dear entered the meeting at 5:28 P.M., and joined the Closed

Session.)

**RECONVENE:** 

The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Reconvened at 6:54 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present.

**ROLL CALL:** 

City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe noted the following:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro

Tem/Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency Member Lula Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson, and

Council/Agency Member Elito Santarina

Council/Agency Members Absent: None

Other Elected Officials Present:

Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk/Agency Secretary,

and Karen Avilla, City/Agency Treasurer

Other Elected Officials Absent:

None

Also Present:

Clifford Graves, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager; William Wynder, City/ Agency Attorney; Lindsay Tabaian, Deputy

City/Deputy Agency Attorney; and staff:

Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager; Ray Cruz, Public Services General Manager (Entered at 6:56 P.M.); and Vic Rollinger, Development Services General

Manager (Entered at 7:02 P.M.);

Lisa Berglund, Principal Administrative Analyst; Dan Cisneros, Human Services Manager; Zarah Cruz, Public Information Manager; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Uli Feesago, Public Works Superintendent (PT); Doris Reed, Acting Public Works Program Administrator; Sheri Repp-Loadsman, Planning Officer; John Signo, Senior Planner; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary

Acting Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station

#### REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

(Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes exited the meeting at 6:55 P.M.)

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

# Council Closed Session Item No. 1

Reported that this was an ongoing item; was not concluded; and may be heard later this evening.

#### Council Closed Session Item No. 2

A privileged and confidential briefing was provided. Questions were asked and answered. The City Council authorized defense of all defendants. All five members participated in the Closed Session.

# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING 6:00 P.M.

FLAG SALUTE: FRANCES COTTRELL

**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: **PASTOR TUVAI FAATAI**,

CALVARY CHAPEL OF SOUTH BAY

**RECESS:** After the Invocation, the Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 6:58 P.M. by

Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Approval of Minutes.

(Council Member Santarina exited the meeting at 6:58 P.M.)

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2010 (REGULAR)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2010 (SPECIAL JOINT)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 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: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis Holmes, and Council

Member Gipson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member Santarina

(Council Member Santarina reentered the meeting at 6:59 P.M.)

#### 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 City Clerk/Agency Secretary at the beginning of the meeting.

# INTRODUCTIONS

#### A. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF CHIEF JAMES R. LOPEZ

Acting Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station, acknowledged the attendance of Commander Rogers and Division Chief Lopez.

Division Chief Lopez, Region 2, gave a self-introduction, and Commander Rogers stated that he was happy to be back in Carson.

# B. LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF COMMANDER ERIC HAMILTON (Absent)

## C. WENDY WARREN, PRINCIPAL OF CARSON HIGH SCHOOL

Principal Wendy Warren gave a self-introduction and discussed her vision and passion for Carson High School and announced upcoming meetings.

Superintendent Michael Romero, District 8, was also in attendance.

# D. PRESENTATION FROM RON SMITH OF WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT AND ROB KATHERMAN OF WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT

District President Ron Smith made the following presentations: 1) presented a proclamation to Mayor Dear and the Members of the City Council for its partnership with West Basin Municipal Water District and 2) presented a check to Rob Katherman and Cathy Beauregard, Adopt a Stormdrain Foundation, in recognition of giving away over 400 toilets.

District Vice President Don Dear, West Basin Municipal Water District, was also in attendance.

#### **RECONVENE:**

After Council Item No. D, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 7:21 P.M., for a joint session with the City Council by Chairman Dear, with all members previously noted present, for Oral Communications – Member of the Public.

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

This is the appropriate time for members of the general public to address those matters under the jurisdiction of the Council/Agency, and not on the posted Agenda. Any person wishing to address the Council/Agency is requested to complete a Speaker Form, available on the podium in the Council Chambers. TESTIMONY WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, no action can be taken on these items, and there can be no discussion of the items, other than to place it on the agenda for a future meeting.

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

# Al Shipman, 24509 S. Ravenna, Carson, California 90746

Discussed his personal recycling efforts and reported an incident involving Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Blaylock on June 30, 2011, at 12:21 P.M. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear requested that Mr. Shipman meet with Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves and a representative from Waste Management Company.

# Marcelino Ines, Jr., 1112 E. Gladwick Street, Carson, California 90746, Chair, Sister Cities Association

Reported that two letters were received from Soka City Officials regarding Carson's assistance to Japan in the aftermath of the Tsunami disaster; read the letters in their entirety; and showed a portrait from Japan.

# Mila Echalas Boyer, 228 W. Carson Street, Apt. 42, Carson, California 90745

Thanked Mr. Ines and the American Cancer Society and sponsor for the Relay for Life event and reported that her husband Jim is a cancer survivor; discussed the ERB Foundation and reported that Dr. Jenny Batongmalaque was a volunteer; and urged donations for the food giveaway.

# Raddell Edwards, 21602 Figueroa Street, No. 34, Carson, California 90745

Reported the infestation of rodents due to the redevelopment at Main and Del Amo and requested that this item be placed on a future agenda. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear requested that Ms. Edwards discuss this issue with Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves.

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

Reported that the telephone solicitation about a city-beautification program that will result in a reduction in property taxes was not true.

# <u>Paul Randall, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 318, Carson, California 90746, President, Carson Harbor Village Homeowners Association, and Board Members</u>

Reported that on July 12, 2011, the Board approved to have two honorary board members, one of whom was Terri Forsythe, and presented Ms. Forsythe with a Board Member keychain

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

Invited everyone to attend the Battle of the Dance, in Anaheim, California; reported that she had attended the 105<sup>th</sup> birthday of Elias del Castillo; and requested the reinstatement of Dr. Boggs as a commissioner.

# Paz V. Velasquez, 23802 Ronan Avenue, Carson, California 90745, representing YFSC-PIA

Introduced Evelyn Andamo, representing the Carson Adult Day Healthcare Center/UCLA CPP and provided a report on the CAPP grant from the UCLA/Rand Center for Adolescent Health Promotion.

(Council/Agency Member Gipson exited the meeting at 7:45 P.M.)

# **NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 3-16)**

These items are considered to be routine items of COUNCIL business and have, therefore, been placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR. If 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 in joint session after Oral Communications – Member of the Public at 7:47 P.M.

# **Public Comments**

(Council/Agency Member Gipson entered the meeting at 7:48 P.M.)

Agency Item No. 3

# Steve Roberts, 2800 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 206, Santa Monica, California 90405, Applicant, CityView 616 E. Carson, LLC.

Stated that he was available to answer questions or to provide a brief presentation.

# Sheri Butler, 21124 Grave Avenue, No. 120, Carson, California 90745

Expressed her support for the project.

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

Requested that the Council/Agency consider having a quarterly report from the City's finance staff.

Council Item No. 5

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

Inquired whether Carson wanted to be known as a Human Trafficking Free City and into the source of the data.

Council Item No. 11

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

Felt that Carson should wait on this item and discussed the cost of the Sheriff's services.

Council Item No. 6

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

Felt that everyone should be treated equally and requested equal treatment for her people, too.

Council Item No. 10

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

Inquired whether the City had a record on the ridership.

# Frances D. Cottrell, 19302 S. Cliveden Avenue, Carson, California 90746

Discussed her personal experience regarding fares charged.

#### Council Item No.11

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

Inquired into the future of the seminary.

# Bill Smalley, 17700 Avalon Boulevard, No. 111, Carson, California 90746

Wanted to see Carson flourish.

Council Item No. 13

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

Wanted to see the information provided to the public.

# Tiny Cook, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 197, Carson, California 90746

Reported that two coyotes reside in her mobile home park and requested that the City provide information to the public. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear requested that information be provided to the public, with no objections heard, and directed Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves to arrange for the relocation of the two coyotes.

Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves stated that he would report back to the Council/Agency.

It was moved to approve the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear and seconded by Davis-Holmes.

The following items were removed for discussion:

## Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber

Agency Item No. 3: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-38 APPROVING DESIGN OVERLAY REVIEW NO. 1404-11 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT WITH 152 RESIDENCES AND 13,313 SQUARE FEET OF COMMERCIAL USES ON 9.51 ACRES LOCATED AT 616 E. CARSON STREET (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

# Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes

Council Item No. 11: CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF THE UNINCORPORATED RANCHO DOMINGUEZ TERRITORY WITH LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Council Item No. 14: CONSIDER APPROVING THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO HONOR CONGRESSWOMAN JUANITA MILLENDER-MCDONALD ON THE SENIOR WALL OF LOVING MEMORIES (PUBLIC SERVICES)

# Council/Agency Member Santarina

Council Item No. 5: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-094 DECLARING CARSON A "HUMAN TRAFFICKING FREE CITY" (CITY MANAGER)

Council Item No. 6: CONSIDER REQUESTING THE PHILIPPINE CONSULATE IN LOS ANGELES PROVIDE ON-SITE SERVICES IN THE CITY OF CARSON ON A REGULAR BASIS (CITY MANAGER)

Agency Item No. 4: CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT ON THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND PIMA CORPORATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MINI-PARK LOCATED AT 21208 SHEARER AVENUE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

# **Motion**

The motion, as amended, was unanimously carried to approve Council New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, and Agency New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1, 2, and 5 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member

Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

**RECESS:** 

After the Council/Agency New Business Consent Calendar, the Redevelopment

Agency was Recessed at 8:37 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for

Item No. 26.

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

## THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH AGENCY ITEM NO. 1

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE.

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

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes: Abstain:

None None

Absent:

None

# ITEM NO. (4)

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF REVISED STANDARD MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE NO. 3.19: FLOWERS - AUTHORIZATION AND ORDERING (CITY MANAGER)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and ADOPT Revised SMP No. 3.19.

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

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

# ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-094 DECLARING CARSON A "HUMAN TRAFFICKING FREE CITY" (CITY MANAGER)

Item No. 5 was heard after Item No. 27 at 12:52 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

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

Council Member Santarina stated that he had concerns with the content of the resolution.

(Council Member Gipson exited and reentered the meeting at 12:55 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.)

Council Member Gipson reported that a data source was available with Board of Equalization Chairman Horton and recommended to include Chairman Horton in this issue.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-094, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE CITY OF CARSON A "HUMAN TRAFFICKING FREE CITY".

2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to (1) Director-General Irina Bokova of the United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, (2) Director General Juan Somavia of the International Labor Organization, (3) California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris, (4) U.S. Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr., and (5) Acting Captain Rivero of the Carson Sheriff's Station.

ACTION: It was moved to continue Item No. 5 for further consideration on motion of Santarina and seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, City Attorney Wynder reported that he would meet with Council Member Santarina and locate a primary source of information.

Mayor Dear continued Item No. 5 to August 2, 2011, with no objections heard.

ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDER REQUESTING THE PHILIPPINE CONSULATE IN LOS ANGELES PROVIDE ON-SITE SERVICES IN THE CITY OF CARSON ON A REGULAR BASIS (CITY MANAGER)

Item No. 6 was heard after Item No. 14 at 1:03 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. REFER this matter to the City Council Policy Sub-committee.

ACTION: Council Member Santarina recommended that Item No. 6 be referred to the City Council Policy Sub-Committee and to notify the public about the meeting.

Council Member Davis-Holmes requested that the Policy Sub-Committee consider the inclusion of on-site services by not only the Philippine Consulate, but also all consulate offices.

Mayor Dear ordered Item No. 6 to be referred to the Policy Sub-Committee with no objections heard.

**RECESS:** 

After Item No. 6, the City Council was Recessed at 1:09 A.M., on Wednesday, July

20, 2011, by Mayor Dear at the request of staff.

**RECONVENE:** 

The City Council was Reconvened at 1:35 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011, by

Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present, for Item No. 16.

ITEM NO. (7) CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE VARIOUS DONATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. ACCEPT the donations received in May 2011 in the amount of \$11,070.00.

- 2. APPROVE an increase in the FY 2010/11 General Fund revenue budget by \$11,070.00.
- 3. APPROPRIATE the \$11,070.00 to the FY 2010/11 expenditure budget in the account numbers listed in Exhibit No. 1.

ACTION: Item No. 7 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes: Abstain:

None

Abstain: Absent:

None None

ITEM NO. (8) REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO PAY CARL WARREN AND COMPANY CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION FEES THAT EXCEEDED THE FY 2010/11 CONTRACTED AMOUNT (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

# RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE an amendment to the FY 2010/11 contract with Carl Warren for claims administration services in the amount of \$7,883.15.

ACTION: Item No. 8 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DIVISION BUSES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

## RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Manager to dispose of the following three Transportation Services Division buses through public auction: Bus #460, Bus #812 and Bus #780.

ACTION: Item No. 9 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes: Abstain:

None None

Absent:

None

ITEM NO. (10) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COOPERATIVE, INC. CONTRACT TO PROVIDE DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICES (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. APPROVE an increase in the Dial-A-Ride contract with Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc., in the amount of \$211,000.00.
- 2. APPROVE an increase in the FY 2010/11 Proposition A budget for Dial-A-Ride from \$660,000.00 to \$711,000.00.
- 3. APPROPRIATE \$51,000.00 from the unreserved, undesignated Proposition A fund balance to account no. 18-80-999-179-6005 to augment the amount currently budgeted for the Dial-A-Ride program for FY 2010/11.

ACTION: Item No. 10 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None None

Abstain: Absent:

None

ITEM NO. (11)

CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION OF THE UNINCORPORATED RANCHO DOMINGUEZ TERRITORY WITH LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 11 was heard after Item No. 26.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. AUTHORIZE staff to meet with representatives from the County of Los Angeles to further discuss and gain support for the city's potential application to LAFCO.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Dear and seconded by Ruiz-Raber.

During discussion of the motion, Council Member Davis-Holmes reiterated her concerns relative to the status of the Long Beach application, economic issues, and the City's financial situation at this time.

(Council Member Gipson entered the meeting at 8:50 P.M.)

Council Member Gipson echoed the comments expressed by Council Member Davis-Holmes.

Upon inquiry, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves clarified that no cost to the City was involved at this time and explained that the fiscal impact of \$35,000 would be contingent upon Council direction to staff to submit an application to LAFCO.

## **Amended Motion**

Mayor Dear amended his motion to include the authorization to staff to provide an additional \$35,000 in the budget if discussions with the County of Los Angeles are positive so that staff does not have to keep coming back on the same item that was already approved, which was accepted by Ruiz-Raber.

Upon inquiry, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that it was his intent to report back to the City Council on conversations with the County of Los Angeles as an agenda item with a staff recommendation for consideration by the City Council.

The amended motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

Council Member Davis-Holmes and Council Member Gipson

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

**RECESS:** 

After Item No. 11, the City Council was Recessed at 8:58 P.M. by Mayor Dear to a

Continued Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's City

Council agenda only.

**RECONVENE:** 

The City Council was Reconvened at 10:00 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members

previously noted present.

#### REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Wynder provided the Continued Closed Session report as follows:

## Council Closed Session Item No. 1

The City Council narrowed the number of candidates down to three finalists and no final decision was made as to a potential City Manager candidate at this time. The City Attorney was directed to advise all of the candidates, except the three finalists, to thank them for their applications and to advise them that they did

not made the final round. One or more Council Members may interview one or more of the finalist candidates. At a future date in August, a further City Council meeting will be set to further narrow the field. Upon inquiry, City Attorney Wynder reported that there was a tentative possibility that the Mayor would be calling a special Closed Session on or about August 16 to potentially conclude the selection process.

ITEM NO. (12) CONSIDERATION OF A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH SIEMENS INDUSTRY, INC. FOR HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING COMPUTER MAINTENANCE SERVICES AT CITY HALL AND THE COMMUNITY CENTER (PUBLIC SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. WAIVE the proposal process as defined by Carson Municipal Code Section 2610 (a) (Exhibit No. 2).
- 2. APPROVE a one-year contract extension with Siemens Industry, Inc. for Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning computer maintenance services for City Hall and the Community Center, in the amount of \$46,848.00, for the period November 1, 2010 through October 31, 2011.

ACTION: Item No. 12 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None None

Abstain: Absent:

None

ITEM NO. (13) CONSIDERATION OF EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN REGARDING HOW THE COMMUNITY CAN PROACTIVELY PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM COYOTES (PUBLIC SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE report.

ACTION: Item No. 13 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes: Abstain:

None

Absent:

None None

# ITEM NO. (14)

CONSIDER APPROVING THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO HONOR CONGRESSWOMAN JUANITA MILLENDER-MCDONALD ON THE SENIOR WALL OF LOVING MEMORIES (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Item No. 14 was heard at 12:59 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

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

# RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission's recommendation to honor Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald on the Senior Wall of Loving Memories.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Gipson, Council Member

Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

# ITEM NO. (15) CONSIDER APPROVING THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR USE OF CARSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROPERTY FOR OVERFLOW PARKING (PUBLIC SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

#### TAKE the following actions:

- 1. APPROVE the lease agreement between the city of Carson and the Los Angeles Unified School District for use of Carson Elementary School property for overflow parking.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None None

Abstain: Absent:

None

# ITEM NO. (16) CONSIDER APPROVING A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH TOWNSEND PUBLIC AFFAIRS, INC. FOR GRANT ADVOCACY SERVICES (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Item No. 16 was heard after Item No. 6 at 1:35 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that Townsend Public Affairs, Inc., was currently working on a \$3.5M grant.

(Council Member Gipson exited and reentered the meeting at 1:38 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. APPROVE a nine-month agreement extension in the amount of \$36,000.00 with Townsend Public Affairs, Inc. for grant advocacy services for the period July 1, 2011 through April 30, 2012.
- 2. APPROPRIATE \$36,000.00 from the unreserved, undesignated general fund balance to cover the cost of the extension of the agreement.
- 3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement extension following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

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

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

## **DEMANDS (Item 17)**

# ITEM NO. (17) RESOLUTION NO. 11-097 ALLOWING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,170,547.34, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 099520 THROUGH 099748

Item No. 17 was heard after Item No. 16 at 1:38 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-097 was PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

## SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY (Items 18-21)

Any person wishing to testify is requested to complete a speaker card, available on the podium in the Council Chambers. TESTIMONY WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. Any subject of controversy will be limited to a total of fifteen minutes of testimony per side; those wishing to address the Agency/Council are requested to select three speakers to represent your opinion.

Item Nos. 18, 19, 20, and 21 were heard after the Continued Closed Session at 10:03 P.M.

# ITEM NO. (18) PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RESIDENTIAL WASTE SERVICES RATE ADJUSTMENT (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

# **Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open TO CONSIDER RESIDENTIAL WASTE SERVICES RATE ADJUSTMENT.

#### City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Kawagoe reported that notice of the Public Hearing had been given pursuant to applicable law, including but not limited to the postings as required by law; and other mailings as requested by individuals and organizations. The affidavits attesting to mailing such notice were on file in the City Clerk's Office. No written communications were received.

Mayor Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

#### Staff Report

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

#### Administration of Oath

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath for all Public Hearings this evening, which was administered by City Clerk Kawagoe.

#### **Public Testimony**

The following person, being previously sworn, testified before the City Council:

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

Expressed her objection to the staff recommendation.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing closed.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the Public Hearing.
- 2. APPROVE an increase of 1.20% (\$0.22 per month, \$2.63 per year) for FY 2011/12 for Integrated Residential Waste Management Services.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Ruiz-Raber, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

#### ITEM NO. (19)

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 11-057 CONCERNING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO DENY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NOS. 803-10, 804-10, 811-10, 812-10, 814-10, 815-10, 816-10, 817-10, 818-10, AND 828-10 FOR 10 EXISTING AUTO REPAIR FACILITIES LOCATED AT 336-348 E. CARSON STREET, IN LIGHT OF NEW INFORMATION SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION, INCLUDING AN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT PLAN AND A SCHEDULE FOR PROPERTY REHABILITATION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 19 was heard after Item No. 18.

# **Continued Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Continued Public Hearing open TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 11-042 FOR AN APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO APPROVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 792-10 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 150-SPACE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE STORAGE LOT LOCATED AT 2900 E. DEL AMO BOULEVARD.

# City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Kawagoe reported that the City Clerk's Report was previously provided.

#### Staff Report

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

Planning Officer Repp-Loadsman provided additional background information.

#### **Public Testimony**

The following persons, being previously sworn, testified before the City Council:

# <u>Dante Charleston, 3600 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste., 2020, Los Angeles, California 90010, Consultant for Property Owner</u>

Distributed and discussed the following documents:

Exhibit A Revised, from FMG, (A Figueroa Media Group Company), Finding a Way to Get Things Done, Schedule to mitigate known building code, fire code, and any other code deficiencies as identified in inspection reports submitted May 5, 2011, and as may be required by the Building and Safety Division.

Exhibit C, Spill Clean-up Kit signed and dated by Tenant Unit Nos. 346-B, 342-C, 342-B, 340-A, 338-C, 336-C, 338-B, and 346-C.

Exhibit D, Estimated Price and Exclusions for Demolition, Concrete Planters, Irrigation, and Landscaping, from The Jungle, 1900 Sawtelle Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90025.

Exhibit E, Estimate No. 149 for Vacant Spaces, from Blue Ocean Construction, 3010 Wilshire Boulevard, No. 233, Los Angeles, California 90010.

# Adir Botach, 5011 W. Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90019

Provided a status report on the steps taken during the past sixty days and presented a display of photographs of the Carson Auto Center.

**RECESS:** 

The City Council was Recessed at 10:36 P.M. by Mayor Dear at the request of staff.

**RECONVENE:** 

The City Council was Reconvened at 10:43 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present.

Mayor Dear acknowledged the new information provided this evening. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that it was staff's recommendation that the City Council refer the matter back to the Planning Commission with a request that it consider the new information provided this evening.

#### **Public Testimony**

City Clerk Kawagoe reported that she had received two new speaker cards for this item and administered the oath.

# Luis Sandoval, 336 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745

Thanked the City Council on behalf of his family and friends and invited the City Council to stop by and see the improvements.

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

Stated that she was happy that the City Council was helping the business to grow.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Mayor Dear declared the Continued Public Hearing closed.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. OPEN the continued Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the continued Public Hearing.
- 2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-057, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, REMANDING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUESTS NOS. 803-10, 804-10, 811-10, 812-10, 814-10, 815-10, 816-10, 817-10, 818-10, AND 828-10 FOR 10 EXISTING AUTO REPAIR FACILITIES LOCATED AT 336-348 E. CARSON STREET, IN LIGHT OF NEW INFORMATION SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION, INCLUDING AN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT PLAN AND A SCHEDULE FOR PROPERTY REHABILITATION."

ACTION: It was moved to PASS, APPROVE and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-057, as read by title only, WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, on motion of Santarina and seconded by Ruiz-Raber.

#### **Substitute Motion**

Council Member Gipson offered a substitute motion for the City Council to continue the Public Hearing to September 6, 2011 or September 20, 2011, and direct staff to prepare a resolution of approval with conditions to correct the building defects and violations to implement the "BMP" (Best Management Practices) for on-site operation and property management to establish a schedule for more comprehensive improvement planned; consideration shall also be given to the potential to allow for additional automotive repair use if the applicant is able to demonstrate substantial financial

commitment to the property, upgrades and adequate parking to be provided, which was seconded by Santarina.

During discussion of the motion, the following items were discussed:

# Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves

Discussed the basis for the recommendation of staff since the applicant, as requested by the City Council, has submitted new information and the record of the Planning Commission did not reflect that information, and it was not clear whether the decision would be affected by the information. He briefly discussed the role of the Planning Commission and the role of the City Council and for the Planning Commission to affirm or modify its decision. Further, that if the applicant was not satisfied with the action of the Planning Commission, the applicant can appeal the decision to the City Council.

# **Council Member Davis-Holmes**

Expressed concern with possibility that the applicant may have to go through the payment of fees again.

# Planning Officer Repp-Loadsman

Concurred with Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves and discussed the another option that should the Planning Commission choose to deny the application, the City Council could always appeal the decision of the Planning Commission without having the current applicant go through the payment of fees again and assured the City Council that staff would advise the City Council of the actions of the Planning Commission.

## Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber

Expressed her support for the staff recommendation and for the applicant to come back to the City Council if the application was denied by the Planning Commission and for businesses and job security.

# **Council Member Gipson**

Clarified that the intent of his substitute motion was for the City Council to monitor and for staff to keep the City Council informed; acknowledged the role of small businesses in this country; directed staff to work with the property owner to identify resources and to partner in this improvement and to identify available assistance to small businesses in Carson for consideration by the City Council in areas such as, signage, frontage, etc., to beautify the corridor.

The substitute motion failed to carry by the following vote:

Ayes:

Council Member Gipson

Noes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

The motion, first above, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes: Abstain:

None None

Absent:

None

**ITEM NO. (20)** 

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 11-1475 AMENDING THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE CALCULATION FOR TOTAL ALLOWABLE SIGN AREA AND EXTENDING THE DISPLAY PERIOD FOR BANNERS AND OTHER SIMILAR DISPLAYS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 20 was heard after Item No. 19.

# **Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 11-1475 AMENDING THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE CALCULATION FOR TOTAL ALLOWABLE SIGN AREA AND EXTENDING THE DISPLAY PERIOD FOR BANNERS AND OTHER SIMILAR DISPLAYS.

# City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Kawagoe reported that notice of the Public Hearing had been given pursuant to applicable law, including but not limited to the timely publication, and such copy of proof received by the City Clerk; postings as required by law; and other mailings as requested by individuals and organizations. The affidavits attesting to mailing and publishing such notice were on file in the City Clerk's Office. No written communications were received.

Mayor Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

# **Staff Report**

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

(Council Member Gipson exited and reentered the meeting at 11:03 P.M.)

Planning Officer Repp-Loadsman and Senior Planner Signo provided additional background information.

At 11:05 P.M., Mayor Dear inquired whether the City Council had any objections to continuing this evening's agendas, with no objections heard.

#### **Administration of Oath**

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath, which was administered by City Clerk Kawagoe.

## **Public Testimony**

The following persons, being previously sworn, testified before the City Council in support of small businesses:

Ron Ursich, 20840 Leapwood Avenue, Carson, California 90746, representing Carson Industrial Hardware

Davin Dupett, 20775 Avalon Boulevard, Carson, California 90745

Terri Forsythe, 17700 Avalon Boulevard, No. 282, Carson, California 90746

Zeke Vidaurri, 651 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90749

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing closed.

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the Public Hearing.
- 2. WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1475, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SIGNS, INCLUDING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 9136.7 (SIGNS) OF DIVISION 6 (SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS) OF PART 3 (COMMERCIAL ZONES) AND SECTION 9146.7 (SIGNS) OF DIVISION 6 (SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS) OF PART 4 (INDUSTRIAL ZONE)."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, it was moved to INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1475, as read by title only, on motion of Gipson and seconded by Santarina.

#### **Substitute Motion**

Mayor Dear offered a substitute motion to extend the display period for banners and other similar displays from 60-calendar days to 120-calendar days with an option to apply for a 60-day extension up to 180-calendar days, seconded by Gipson and carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Council Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber and Council Member Davis-Holmes

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

**ITEM NO. (21)** 

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 11-085 FOR GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1424-10 TO CHANGE THE GENERAL PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO GENERAL OPEN SPACE AND ORDINANCE NO. 11-1463 FOR ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 163-10 TO CHANGE THE ZONING DISTRICT FROM RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY TO OPEN SPACE FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21208 SHEARER AVENUE (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 21 was heard after Agency Item No. 6 at 12:19 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

## **Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 11-085 FOR GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1424-10 TO CHANGE THE GENERAL PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO GENERAL OPEN SPACE AND ORDINANCE NO. 11-1463 FOR ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 163-10 TO CHANGE THE ZONING DISTRICT FROM RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY TO OPEN SPACE FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21208 SHEARER AVENUE.

# City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Kawagoe reported that notice of the Public Hearing had been given pursuant to applicable law, including but not limited to the timely publication, and such copy of proof received by the City Clerk; notices to all property owners/occupants within a 500-foot radius of the proposed use as listed on the last equalized assessment roll of the County of Los Angeles or as known to the City Clerk; postings as required by law; and other mailings as requested by individuals and organizations. The affidavits attesting to mailing and publishing such notice were on file in the City Clerk's Office. No written communications were received.

Mayor Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

## **Staff Report**

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

## Administration of Oath

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath.

There being no persons wishing to testify, Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing closed.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the Public Hearing.

- 2. WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1463, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 163-10, CHANGING THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21208 SHEARER AVENUE (APNS: 7334003903, 7334003904, AND 7334003905) FROM RS TO OS."
- 3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-085, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE GENERAL PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21208 SHEARER AVENUE (GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1424-10)."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 11-1463, was INTRODUCED, as read by title only, and WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-085 was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Ruiz-Raber, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Items 22-23)**

# ITEM NO. (22) COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR DEAR (CITY CLERK)

Item No. 22 was heard after Item No. 17.

# RECOMMENDATION for the Mayor:

1. Mayor Dear to CONSIDER, APPOINT, or REAPPOINT members to the Commissions, Committees, and Boards in accordance with Ordinance No. 04-1330, with the approval of a majority of the entire City Council present, including the Mayor, as listed on Exhibit No. 1.

ACTION: Mayor Dear continued Item No. 22, with no objections heard.

# ITEM NO. (23) CONSIDERATION OF CITY-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS (CITY CLERK)

Item No. 23 was heard after Item No. 22.

## RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE delegates and alternates to the City-Affiliated Organizations listed on Exhibit No. 1, respectively.

ACTION:

Mayor Dear took the following actions and continued Item No. 23, with no objections

heard

# **UCLA/RAND Center for Adolescent Health Promotion**

Appointed Paz Velasquez as Delegate and Evelyn Andamo as Alternate.

# **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (Items 24-26)**

ITEM NO. (24) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-093 AND ORDINANCE NO. 11-1477 STATING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO MAKE REMITTANCES REQUIRED BY ABX1 27 IN ORDER TO AVOID DISSOLUTION OF THE CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 24 was heard at 12:25 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

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

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-093, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, STATING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO MAKE REMITTANCES REQUIRED BY ABX1 27 IN ORDER TO AVOID DISSOLUTION OF THE CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY."
- 2. WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1477, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING IT WILL COMPLY WITH THE VOLUNTARY ALTERNATIVE REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO PART 1.9 OF DIVISION 24 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE AND OPERATION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF CARSON."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-093 was PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by title only, and WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 11-1477 was INTRODUCED, as read by title only on motion of Ruiz-Raber, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

# ITEM NO. (25) CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 11-1476 CHANGING THE COMPOSITION OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION (CITY MANAGER)

Item No. 25 was heard after Item No. 24 at 12:30 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

Mayor Dear referred to and corrected the numbering of Staff Report No. 24 to No. 25 and Staff Report No. 25 to No. 24.

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

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1476, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 27105.2 OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, it was moved to INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1476, as read by title only, on motion of Dear and seconded by Santarina.

During discussion of the motion, the following items were discussed:

## **Council Member Gipson**

Requested clarification on the purpose of this item and subsequently reported that he would be submitting a nominee for consideration.

#### **Council Member Davis-Holmes**

Stated that she was not able to support expanding the size of the Public Relations Commission.

## Mayor Dear

Clarified that the purpose of this item was to enhance and energize the Public Relations Commission by appointing two (2) additional Public Relations Specialists and reappointing and changing Commissioners Lua and Wortham to Community Representatives.

## Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber

Concurred and discussed her support for the recommendation by Mayor Dear.

#### Council Member Santarina

Referred to Mayor Dear's clarification and corrected that the composition of the Public Relations Commission would be as follows: Four (4) Public Relations Specialists and Five (5) Community Representatives

# **Amended Motion**

Mayor Dear offered a friendly amendment to provide that the composition of the Public Relations Commission would be as follows: Four (4) Public Relations Specialists and Five (5) Community Representatives, which was accepted by Santarina and carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Gipson, and Council

Member Santarina

Noes:

Council Member Davis-Holmes

Abstain: Absent:

None None

ITEM NO. (26)

CONSIDER PARTNERING WITH THE SOUTH BAY PAVILION TO PRESENT A MARIACHI FESTIVAL TO HONOR MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Item No. 26 after Council/Agency New Business Consent Calendar at 8:37 P.M.

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

#### **Public Comments**

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

Requested more information for the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber provided background information for this item and added that she had specifically requested that Joan Reiner work with her on this activity.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. AGREE to be a partner with the South Bay Pavilion to honor Mexican Independence Day with a Mariachi festival.
- 2. AUTHORIZE city staff to plan and coordinate the event with mall staff.
- 3. REQUEST the City Treasurer as a conduit for receiving donations and paying vendors for the Mariachi Festival.
- 4. ASSIST the organizers to secure independent insurance to cover the South Bay Pavilion for this event.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 on motion of Ruiz-Raber and seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber reported that the event would be available at no charge.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain: Absent:

None None

(Council Member Gipson exited the meeting at 8:49 P.M.)

# **ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (Item 27)**

# ITEM NO. (27) ORDINANCE NO. 11-1472:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, MODIFYING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 03-10 BETWEEN THE CITY OF BULLETIN CARSON AND DISPLAYS, LLC. AND **AMENDING** ORDINANCE NO. 09-1440 CONCERNING THE CONVERSION OF TWO STATIC ADVERTISING DISPLAY FACES TO DIGITAL ELECTRONIC DISPLAY FACES ON AN EXISTING THREE-SIDED ADVERTISING DISPLAY LOCATED AT 19401 SOUTH MAIN STREET (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Item No. 27 was heard after Item No. 25.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 11-1472, was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Davis-Holmes, Council

Member Gipson, and Council Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

#### **RECONVENE:**

After Council Item No. 23, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 1:40 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011, for a joint session with the City Council by

Mayor/Chairman Dear for remaining Oral Communications.

# **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS I (STAFF)**

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

# Mayor/Chairman Dear

Ramona Hahn, widow of Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenny Hahn, mother of Congresswoman Janice Hahn, and Superior Court Judge James Hahn.

Lillian Mosley

# Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber

Stella Jimenez

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

Edroy Perry

# Council/Agency Member Santarina

Nemie Chu Beatriz M. Beedle

# ORAL COMMUNICATIONS II (COUNCIL/AGENCY)

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

Reported that the issuance of street sweeping tickets after the street sweepers pass was getting out of hand and requested that this issue be addressed by the Policy Sub-Committee; requested a certificate to commemorate the 105<sup>th</sup> birthday of Elias del Castillo, if not already requested; and announced that the planning for the Jazz Festival would begin next week and those interested may contact her at 310-830-1710. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves subsequently reported that staff was ready to discuss the issue of street sweeping tickets.

# Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber

Reported that Mayor Dear, City Clerk Kawagoe, and she had attended the funeral of Ramona Hahn; referred to the Joseph B. O'Neal Stroke Center and requested the installation of signage at the East Wing of the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center to inform taxi drivers where to pick up and/or drop off clients for the Stroke Center; and reported that she would be leaving for New Mexico to attend an annual family reunion and that her 11-year-old granddaughter would be joining them.

(Mayor/Chairman Dear exited and reentered the meeting at 1:50 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.)

# Council/Agency Member Gipson

Reported that he had attended many community events, such as, the services for Gladys Wesson-Strickland, mother of Los Angeles City Councilman and former Speaker Herb Wesson; the swearing-in ceremony of newly-elected United States Representative Janice Hahn, 36<sup>th</sup> Congressional District; the event at the Fire Museum; and the community meeting by Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas regarding the Dr. Martin Luther King Hospital as well as other community events and acknowledged those who were in attendance. He announced that Friday, July 22, 2011, will be his 16<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

# **Council/Agency Member Santarina**

Offered his congratulations to Salim's Taekwondo Center on its victory at the San Jose Tournament and achievement of becoming international champions.

Reported that he has been receiving calls from commissioners for the City Council to resolve the parking problem of oversized vehicles. A brief discussion ensued whether the item would be considered by the Policy Sub-Committee or by the City Council. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear provided the following synopses: 1) a City Council meeting was held at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center where Council Member Davis-Holmes and he were present and that the majority of attendees were opposed to parking restrictions for oversized vehicles and did not live in Carson and 2) a Policy Sub-Committee meeting was held and the unanimous recommendation of the Sub-Committee was for the City Council to consider that people who did not live in Carson should not park oversized vehicles on the streets of Carson. Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that he would present the recommendation to the City Council at the request of Council/Agency Member Santarina.

Referred to and suggested a name change for Code Enforcement Officer to Code Compliance Officer and inquired whether City Council approval was required. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves requested that staff be allowed to come back with a recommendation. Mayor/Chairman Dear instructed staff to present his recommendation to the subcommittee first.

#### Mayor/Chairman Dear

Reported that he had attended many community events, such as, the banquet for the Taekwondo School, along with Council Member Santarina; the funeral of Ramona Hahn, along with Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber and City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe; the event at the Fire Museum with his council colleagues; the closing of the Ishibashi Family Ranch, Palos Verdes Peninsula, after nearly 100 years; as well as other community events and acknowledged those who were in attendance.

# COUNCIL MEMBERS REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTUR E AGENDAS

A. COUNCILMEMBER SANTARINA REQUESTS CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION RAISING AWARENESS OF THE PROGRAMS PROVIDED BY THE CA DEPT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR

**ACTION:** It was moved to place Item No. A on the agenda for August 2, 2011 on motion of Dear and seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, the following items were discussed:

#### Mayor/Chairman Dear

Requested City/Agency Attorney Wynder to discuss the process for the placement of items on a future agenda.

City/Agency Attorney Wynder reported that placement of an item on a future agenda followed a two-step process because, first, an item would be placed on the agenda for authorization to be placed on the next agenda and, second, the item would then be placed on the next agenda for consideration by the City Council/Redevelopment Agency.

# Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber

Requested the placement of the following items on a future agenda for placement on the next agenda:

To discuss the discount card program for prescription drugs from the National League of Cities.

To invite Gardena Council Member Dan Medina to attend a council meeting to discuss the surveillance camera system and the grant received by the City of Gardena for the cameras.

# Council/Agency Member Gipson

Requested the placement of an item on a future agenda relative to the planned introduction of "Caylee's Law," by Assembly Member Isadore Hall III (D-Compton) after the death of two-year-old Caylee Marie Anthony, who was not reported missing. "Caylee's Law" would make it a felony for a parent, guardian or caregiver to fail to report the death of a child to authorities within two hours of the child's death. Additionally, the measure would make it a felony for a parent, guardian or caregiver to fail to report a missing child under the age of 12 to authorities within 48 hours of the child's disappearance. He reported that the proposal had received bi-partisan support, anticipated its introduction before the recess of the Assembly, and wanted Carson to be on record in support of the new law.

Mayor/Chairman Dear directed staff to place the item relative to "Caylee's Law," on the August 2, 2011 agenda, at the request of Council/Agency Member Gipson and Mayor Dear, with no objections heard.

# Council/Agency Member Santarina

Requested placement of an item on a future agenda regarding the incident involving the breaking of the City Hall doors and requested a report. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves suggested that the Sheriff's Department provide a report on the incident on August 2, 2011, and was so ordered by Mayor/Chairman Dear, with no objections heard.

The motion, first above, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency

Member Davis Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency

Member Santarina

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

# UNFINISHED/CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

This item was heard after Council Item No. 11 at 8:58 P.M.

## REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

At 10:00 P.M., City Attorney Wynder provided the Continued Closed Session report as follows:

## Council Closed Session Item No. 1

The City Council narrowed the number of candidates down to three finalists and no final decision was made as to a potential City Manager candidate at this time. The City Attorney was directed to advise all of the candidates, except the three finalists, to thank them for their applications and to advise them that they did not made the final round. One or more Council Members may interview one or more of the finalist candidates. At a future date in August, a further City Council meeting will be set to further narrow the field. Upon inquiry, City Attorney Wynder reported that there was a tentative possibility that Mayor Dear would be calling a special Closed Session on or about August 16 to potentially conclude the selection process.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 2:10 A.M., on Wednesday, July 20, 2011, by Mayor/Chairman Dear and in memory of the individuals requested this evening and to an adjourned regular joint meeting to be held at 6:00 P.M., Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center, located at 801 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

	Mayor Jim Dear	
ATTEST:		
ATTEST:		
City Clerk Helen Kawagoe		