

City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

May 15, 2012 New Business Discussion

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF A POLICY TO DISCONTINUE APPOINTING EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS TO COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEE AND BOARDS

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City Manager

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City Manager

I. SUMMARY

During the May 1, 2012 City Council meeting Councilmember Davis-Holmes requested staff place this matter on the agenda for discussion.

II. RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction.

III. <u>ALTERNATIVES</u>

DIRECT staff to change the City of Carson Municipal Code to prevent appointments of *ex-officio* members to the city's commissions, committees and boards.

IV. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

By custom and past practice, the directly elected Mayor of the city of Carson has, on occasion, appointed *ex-officio* members to the city's commissions, committees and boards.

Again, by custom and past practice, and as specified in the Municipal Code section § 2108 with respect to the City Manager, and *ex-officio* member of a city board, commission, or committee is seated with the legislative body, has "a right to participate in all deliberations or actions by his [or her] voice *but without vote*." (Emphasis added.) (Exhibit No. 1). Sometimes *ex-officio* members have been appointed because they have expressed a particular interest in serving on a board that has no current vacancies.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. <u>EXHIBITS</u>

1. Carson Municipal Code section § 2108. (pg. 3)

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2108 Ex Officio Member of Boards and Commissions.

The City Manager shall be an ex officio member of all Boards and Commissions appointed by the Mayor or City Council pursuant to law with a right to participate in all deliberations or actions by his voice but without vote. (Ord. 2, § 2108; Ord. 00-1190, § 2)