



**MINUTES
CARSON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 3, 2012**

5:00 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER AND RECESS:

The meetings of the City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority were called to order at 5:03 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear in the Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745 and recessed at 5:04 P.M. due to lack of a quorum with Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes; Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Mike Gipson; and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Elito Santarina absent.

RECONVENE:

The meetings of the City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority were reconvened at 5:05 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear.

ROLL CALL: City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause noted the following:

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Commissioners Present:
Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Elito Santarina

Council/Agency/Authority Members Absent:

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes (Entered at 5:06 P.M.) and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Mike Gipson (Entered during the Closed Session)

Other Elected Officials Present:

Donesia Gause, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary,

Other Elected Officials Absent:

Karen Avilla, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer

Also Present:

David Biggs, City Manager/Executive Director; William Wynder, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; and staff:

Clifford Graves, Economic Development General Manager

Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Joy Simarago, Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary

CLOSED SESSION

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Wynder presented the Closed Session items for the City Council and Successor Agency only.

CLOSED SESSION (Items 1-4) 5:00 P.M. – 5:45 P.M.

ITEM NO. (1) 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: Imperial Avalon v. City of Carson, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS131374

ACTION: 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: Park Granada (218 Properties), LLC v. City of Carson, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS-131337

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

ITEM NO. (3) 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: Carson Harbor Village, LTD v. City of Carson, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS133538

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

ITEM NO. (4) 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: Jones, Dillion T., a Minor/Darlene Smith, Guardian Ad Litem v. City of Carson WCAB CASE NO. ADJ6892489

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

RECESS: The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were recessed at 5:08 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's City Council and Successor Agency agendas.

RECONVENE: The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were reconvened at 6:32 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause noted the following:

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Commissioners Present:

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Jim Dear;

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Mike Gipson; and
Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Elito Santarina

Council/Agency/Authority Members Absent:

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber (Entered at 6:33 P.M.); and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes (Entered at 6:33 P.M.)

Other Elected Officials Present:

Donesia Gause, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary

Other Elected Officials Absent:

Karen Avilla, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer (Entered at 6:33 P.M.)

Also Present:

David Biggs, City Manager/Executive Director; William Wynder, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; Lindsay Tabaian, Deputy City/Deputy Agency/Deputy Authority Attorney; and staff:

Clifford Graves, Economic Development General Manager; Jacquelyn Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager; and Raymond Cruz, Public Services General Manager;

Lisa Berglund, Principal Administrative Analyst; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Joy Simarago, Deputy City Clerk/Deputy Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary

Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

(Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber reentered the meeting at 6:33 P.M.)

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes reentered the meeting at 6:33 P.M.)

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Wynder provided the Closed Session report as follows and announced that the balance of the Closed Session items would be heard later during the recess.

Council Item No. 4

A privileged and confidential status report was provided; a litigation strategy was recommended; questions were asked and answered; and all members participated in the Closed Session.

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

FLAG SALUTE: IMANI WEICKES, CARSON HIGH SCHOOL

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. 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 DAVID BUGGS, CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH** (Entered the meeting at 6:41 P.M.)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear requested a moment a silence for the souls of Trevon Martin and Kendric McDade whose lives were lost senselessly.

At 6:41 P.M., Pastor David Buggs gave the Invocation.

RECESS (Successor Agency and Housing Authority):

The Successor Agency and Housing Authority were recessed at 6:36 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear to the City Council for Introductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: NONE

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 at the beginning of the meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS

A. INTRODUCTION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES

Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff’s Station, announced that he officially took command on April 1, 2012; thanked the City Council for its support during the past year; and assured the City Council that he continue to operate at 100% of his service level to the City of Carson.

(Mayor Dear exited and reentered the meeting at 6:39 P.M.)

RECONVENE (Successor Agency and Housing Authority):

Mayor Dear acknowledged the presence of Pastor David Buggs and reconvened the Successor Agency and Housing Authority at 6:41 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council, with all members previously noted present, for the Invocation.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

This is the appropriate time for members of the general public to address the **Council on items not on the posted Agenda but are items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council.** 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 other than to place it on the Agenda for a future meeting if appropriate.**

This item was heard at 6:44 P.M.

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

Discussed the wonderful open house event hosted by Choura Events on March 28, 2012.

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

Briefly commented on the hearing held on March 27, 2012, and Judge James Chalfant.

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

Stated that she was mistaken about the \$200,000, and apologized to Economic Development General Manager Graves.

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

Referred to the disturbing issue involving Trevon Martin and reserved his comments to a later time and congratulated Captain Eddie Rivero on his promotion.

Glenn White, 750 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745

Reiterated his previous comments from the last meeting regarding the spending of City funds.

City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Avilla invited Mr. White to look at the back-up information for the City's expenditures.

Larry Shimokaji, 1512 E. Carson Street, Sp. 135, Carson, California 90745

Discussed the wonderful open house event hosted by Choura Events on March 28, 2012.

Dean P. Gouck, 21207 Avalon Boulevard, Carson, California 90745

Expressed his support of naming the Council Chambers after Helen Kawagoe while she was still alive and briefly discussed the naming of the Calas Bridge.

Paul Randall, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 318, Carson, California 90746, President, Carson Harbor Village Homeowners Association

Briefly commented on the hearing held on March 27, 2012, and Judge James Chalfant.

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

Stated that she was speaking on behalf of Harry Dew, 218 W. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745, and discussed anti-condo conversion and harassment from the park owner. She requested that the City Council reconsider naming the Council Chambers after Helen Kawagoe now.

William Davis, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 227, Carson, California 90746

Expressed his support of naming the Council Chambers after Helen Kawagoe while she was still alive.

Latrice Carter, 19018 Belshaw Avenue, Carson, California 90746

Felt that bringing up items that have been approved causes dissention and urged the City Council to go forward for all residents and thanked Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber, Council Member Gipson, and Council Member Davis-Holmes; and expressed her support for City Clerk Donesia Gause.

NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 5-14)

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.

The New Business Consent Calendars for the City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority were heard in joint session at 7:14 P.M.

Public Comments

The following persons offered comments:

Council Item No. 14

Glenn White, 750 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745

Offered comments regarding revenue enhancements versus fighting crime and inquired into the necessity to watch residents.

Successor Agency Item No. 6

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs requested the removal of Successor Agency Item No. 6 from the agenda for additional updates and for placement on the agenda for April 17, 2012.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear ordered Successor Agency Item No. 6 to be removed from the agenda at the request of staff, with no objections heard.

Successor Agency Item No. 5

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs requested the removal of Successor Agency Item No. 5 from the agenda and to be brought back on a date to be determined by staff.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear ordered Successor Agency Item No. 5 to be removed from the agenda at the request of staff, with no objections heard.

It was moved to approve the balance of the New Business Consent Calendars for the City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority on motion of Dear and seconded by Santarina.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber offered a friendly amendment to remove the following item for discussion, which was accepted by the maker and second:

Council Item No. 6, CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-036 SUPPORTING THE CALIFORNIA OPPORTUNITY AND PROSPERITY ACT (CITY MANAGER)

During discussion of the amended motion, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes removed the following items for discussion:

Council Item No. 13, CONSIDER AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF TWO GRAFFITI TRUCKS FOR THE CITY'S GRAFFITI ABATEMENT PROGRAM (PUBLIC SERVICES); and

Council Item No. 14, CONSIDERATION OF AN AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO PIPS TECHNOLOGY TO PROVIDE AND INSTALL THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY CAMERA PROGRAM (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear removed the following item for discussion:

Council Item No. 10, CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NO. 1303: CITYWIDE RUBBERIZED SLURRY SEAL FY 2010/11 (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

The motion, as amended, to approve Council New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, and 12; Agency New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2, 3, and 4; and Authority New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1 and 2 was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

RECESS (City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority):

The City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority were recessed at 7:25 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear for staff.

RECONVENE: The City Council was reconvened at 7:39 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present for Item No. 15.

ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDERATION OF MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT (CITY TREASURER)

**THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY
ITEM NO. 1 AND CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY ITEM NO. 2**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-036 SUPPORTING THE CALIFORNIA OPPORTUNITY AND PROSPERITY ACT (CITY MANAGER)

This item was heard after Item No. 14.

City Manager Biggs referred to Resolution No. 12-036, Paragraph 6, and inserted language to read as follows:

“WHEREAS, COPA does not guarantee protection from deportation the program would authorize the state to simply ask Immigration and Customs Enforcement to make these cases their lowest priority in enforcement of federal law; and”

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-036, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE CALIFORNIA OPPORTUNITY AND PROSPERITY ACT, A 5-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to the California Opportunity and Prosperity Act Committee, 777 S. Figueroa, Suite 4050, Los Angeles, CA 90017, Congresswoman Richardson, Senator Boxer and Senator Feinstein.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation No. 1, as amended by City Manager Biggs, and staff recommendation 2, with the inclusion of Congresswoman Hahn, 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

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 February 2012 in the amount of \$3,400.00.
2. APPROVE an increase in the FY 2011/12 General Fund revenue budget by \$3,400.00, in the revenue account numbers listed in Exhibit No. 1.
3. APPROPRIATE the \$3,400.00 to the FY 2011/12 expenditure budget in the expenditure 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 Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

ITEM NO. (8) CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-033 AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIED CITY RECORDS (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-033, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF SPECIFIED CITY RECORDS."

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

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

ITEM NO. (9) CONSIDER AN AWARD FOR REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT CARRIAGE CREST AND STEVENSON PARKS (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the formal bid process defined by the Carson Municipal Code, Section 2607, as allowed by Section 2604 (d), for the rubberized play surface.
2. AUTHORIZE the City of Carson to piggy back off a competitively bid contract between KCDA Purchasing Cooperative and Spectraturf for the pour in place rubberized play surface.
3. APPROVE the award of purchase contract to KCDA for Spectraturf for the rubberized play surface at Carriage Crest Park in the amount of \$58,783.73, and Stevenson Park in the amount of \$47,737.55, for a combined total of \$106,521.28.
4. AWARD a purchase contract to Creative Contractors for the labor to remove the rubberized play surface and playground equipment, and install new playground equipment, at Carriage Crest Park in the amount of \$31,888.00, and Stevenson Park in the amount of \$35,042.00, for an estimated combined total of \$66,930.00.
5. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of a construction contingency, if necessary, in an amount not-to-exceed \$6,693.00, or 10% of the contract amount.

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

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

**ITEM NO. (10) CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR
PROJECT NO. 1303: CITYWIDE RUBBERIZED SLURRY SEAL FY 2010/11
(DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

This item was heard after Item No. 6.

Public Comments

Frank Valenti, 301 Aqueduct Ct., Placentia, California 92870, Business Agent

Referred to staff recommendation No. 4 and inquired whether Associated Soils Engineering, Inc., would be bound by the PLA.

Tommy Faavae, 605 E. 221st Street, Carson, California 90745

Raised the issue regarding the pre-job meeting being held after the contract was awarded . Whereupon, City Manager Biggs discussed pre-job meetings versus pre-bid meetings.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a Construction Contract for Project No. 1303: Citywide Rubberized Slurry Seal FY 2010/11, in the amount of \$342,640.00, to the lowest responsible bidder, All American Asphalt, Inc.
2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of a construction contingency, if necessary, in the amount of \$51,396.00 (15%) for change orders such as the removal and remediation of contaminated soil, substructure conflicts, and other unforeseen construction work that may be required to complete this project.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the construction contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
4. AUTHORIZE a material testing service agreement in the amount of \$13,640.00 to Associated Soils Engineering, Inc.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 on motion of Dear, seconded by Ruiz-Raber 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. (11) CONSIDERATION OF PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS AT THE
INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND JAY STREET (DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. DIRECT staff to shorten the median on the south side of the Main Street / Jay Street intersection by removing a ten-foot segment of the curb and the raised median so that the end of the median does not block the unmarked crosswalk.
2. DIRECT staff to paint the curb red to prohibit parking and improve visibility on the west side of Main Street between the Carson Senior Village driveway and the pedestrian crossing location at the end of the modified median.
3. DIRECT staff to install high-visibility Pedestrian Crossing signs on both sides of Main Street at Jay Street with diagonal arrows pointing downward toward the pedestrian crossing location.

ACTION: Item No. 11 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (12) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-034 TO INSTALL A STOP
SIGN ON EASTBOUND 229TH STREET AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH
ATMORE AVENUE (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-034, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, TO INSTALL A STOP SIGN ON THE EASTBOUND APPROACH OF 229TH STREET AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH ATMORE AVENUE."

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

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ITEM NO. (13) CONSIDER AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF TWO GRAFFITI TRUCKS FOR THE CITY'S GRAFFITI ABATEMENT PROGRAM (PUBLIC SERVICES)

This item was heard after Item No. 10.

City Manager Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the bidding process as defined by Carson Municipal Code Section 2607, as allowed by Section 2604 (b).
2. APPROVE an emergency purchase of two graffiti trucks in the amount of \$162,037.50 to Roadline Products, Inc.
3. AUTHORIZE the Acting Purchasing Manager to dispose of, through public auction, vehicle #844 and vehicle #808 which are being replaced.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1, 2, and 3 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

ITEM NO. (14) CONSIDERATION OF AN AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO PIPS TECHNOLOGY TO PROVIDE AND INSTALL THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY CAMERA PROGRAM (PUBLIC SERVICES)

This item was heard after Item No. 21.

City Manager Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the formal bidding procedures as defined by the Carson Municipal Code (CMC) Section 2607, as allowed by CMC Section 2604(a).
2. AWARD a purchase order, in the amount of \$287,000.00, to PIPS Technology to provide and install the initial phase of the Carson community safety camera program.

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

Motion to Complete Agenda Item Nos. 6, 10, 13, 22, and 23

After Item No. 14, it was moved to complete the agenda Item Nos. 6, 10, 13, 22, and 23 before the Closed Session for Unfinished/Continued Closed Session Items on motion of Gipson, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and carried by the following vote:

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

DEMANDS (Item 15)

ITEM NO. (15) RESOLUTION NO. 12-037 ALLOWING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$913,437.19, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 103758 THROUGH 103928

This item was heard at 7:39 P.M.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 12-037 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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Items 16-17)

ITEM NO. (16) CONSIDER FILLING VACANCIES ON THE MOBILEHOME PARK RENTAL REVIEW BOARD AND THE CARSON HISTORICAL COMMITTEE BY MAYOR DEAR (CITY CLERK)

This item was heard after Item No. 15.

RECOMMENDATION for the Mayor:

1. CONSIDER or APPOINT members to the Mobilehome Park Rental Review Board and the Carson Historical Committee, 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 this item to April 17, 2012, with no objections heard.

Upon inquiry, City Attorney Wynder discussed the process to resolve unbalanced representation on the Mobilehome Park Rental Review Board.

ITEM NO. (17) CONSIDER REQUEST FROM MAYOR DEAR TO REMOVE FROM THE TABLE COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS (CITY CLERK)

RECOMMENDATION for City Council:

1. CONSIDER the request from Mayor Dear and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: Mayor Dear offered a motion to remove from the table commission, committee, and board appointments to appoint Lyn Jensen to the Women's Issues Commission, which was seconded by Santarina.

Substitute Motion

Council Member Davis-Holmes offered a substitute motion to remove from the table appointments to the Women's Issues Commission only and to table all other commissions, committees, and boards except for the Mobilehome Park Rental Review Board and Carson Historical Committee, which was seconded by Ruiz-Raber.

During discussion of the substitute motion, City Attorney Wynder discussed parliamentary procedure and the procedural device of the Carson Municipal Code.

Public Comments

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

Commented that four votes were required to remove an item from the table.

Council Member Davis-Holmes clarified that her request to table appointments to commissions, committees, and boards, with some exceptions, would provide an opportunity for City Manager Biggs to look at all commissions.

Mayor Dear further indicated that tabling an item, kills an item, and he wanted to make appointments to the Mobilehome Rental Review Board and Carson Historical Commission; appoint Rochelle Hall to the Relocation Appeals Board; and appoint Lyn Jensen to the Women's Issues Commission.

The substitute 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: None
Absent: None

Women's Issues Commission

Mayor Dear appointed Lyn Jensen to the Women's Issues Commission, seconded by Ruiz-Raber 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

Relocation Appeals Board

Mayor Dear offered a motion to remove the Relocation Appeals Board from the table to appoint Rochelle Hall, 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

Mayor Dear appointed Rochelle Hall to the Relocation Appeals Board.

It moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment 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

Council Member Davis-Holmes offered a motion to table appointments to the Relocations Appeals Board and Women's Issues Commission, which was seconded by Ruiz-Raber.

RECESS: The City Council was Recessed at 8:01 P.M. by Mayor Dear at the request of staff.

RECONVENE: The City Council was Reconvened at 8:02 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present.

Item No. 17 (Continued)

During discussion of the motion, Council Member Davis-Holmes clarified that the intent of her motion was to table all appointments to commissions, committees, and boards, except for the Mobilehome Rental Review Board and the Carson Historical Committee in order to review appointments from an organizational and budgetary standpoint.

The motion, as clarified, was carried by the following vote:

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

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (Items 18-22)

ITEM NO. (18) CONSIDERATION OF CITY-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS (CITY CLERK)

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 added a new category for the Oversight Board to the Successor Agency to the Dissolved Carson Redevelopment Agency, with no objections heard.

ITEM NO. (19) CONSIDERATION OF CITY COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES (CITY CLERK)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

Mayor Dear to TAKE the following actions:

1. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE member assignments to the City Council Sub-committees.
2. CONSIDER the status of any City Council Sub-committee.
3. CONSIDER and CREATE any new City Council Sub-committee or RE-ACTIVATE any previous City Council Sub-committee as listed on Exhibit No. 2.

ACTION: It was moved to eliminate all City Council Sub-Committees and to bring back as needed for discussion on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and carried by the following vote:

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

ITEM NO. (20) CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST TO MAKE CERTAIN CARSON PARK MASTER PLAN ANCILLARY CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO THE CARSON MASTER PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT (CITY MANAGER)

City Manager Biggs presented the staff report.

City Attorney Wynder summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Public Comments

The following persons offered comments:

Frank Valenti, 301 Aqueduct Ct., Placentia, California 92870, Business Agent

Spoke in support of the inspection contracts for the Carson Park Master Plan to be subject to the master PLA.

Ray Vandernat, 1626 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90026, repreenting LA/OL Building Trades Council

Spoke in support of alternative staff recommendation No. 1(a)(b).

Joel Therwachter, 5571 Placer Avenue, Westminster, California 92683, Business Representative, Operating Engineers Local 12

Reminded the City Council that inspection contracts were included as part of the PLA and should be at no added cost because the Carson Park Master Plan was a prevailing wage project.

Tommy Faavae, 605 E. 221st Street, Carson, California 90745, representing IBEW

Spoke in support of alternative staff recommendation No. 1(a)(b).

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: It was moved to approve alternative staff recommendation No. 1(a)(b) on motion of Dear and seconded by Santarina.

During discussion of the motion:

City Attorney Wynder reported and discussed the meeting held today regarding local hiring requests under PLA with priority hiring for Tier 1 tradesmen in Carson zip codes and Tier 2 tradesmen in surrounding cities.

City Manager Biggs and Acting Development Services General Manager Abolfathi discussed funding sources for additional costs that may be associated with making two ancillary contracts subject to PLA. Whereupon, City Manager Biggs reported that staff could pursue additional negotiations with the two ancillary vendors on the basis of PLA and would report back to the City Council on April 17, 2012.

Substitute Motion

Council Member Davis-Holmes offered a substitute motion to approve alternative staff recommendation No. 1 and to direct staff to bring back recommendations for consideration by the City Council, and was not considered due to lack of a second.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

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

Mayor Dear requested that staff review the local hiring policy and include other zip codes for Carson residents using 90747, 90749, 90810, and 90248, with no objections heard.

ITEM NO. (21) CONSIDER THE STATUS OF ABX1 26 IMPLEMENTATION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

City Manager Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

(Mayor Dear exited the meeting at 8:59 P.M., and Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber assumed the Chair.)

Economic Development General Manager Graves provided an oral update and discussed Exhibit 2, Legislative Tracking.

(Mayor Dear reentered the meeting at 9:02 P.M. and resumed the Chair.)

(Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber exited and reentered the meeting at 9:03 P.M.)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Mayor Dear ordered this item to be received and filed with no objections heard.

ITEM NO. (22) CONSIDER THE 2011 CARSON HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRESS REPORT (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

This item was heard after Item No. 13.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. INSTRUCT staff to submit Carson's annual Housing Element Progress Report.
2. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation No. 1 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

Mayor Dear ordered this item to be received and filed with no objections heard.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (Item 23)

ITEM NO. (23) ORDINANCE NO. 12-1485

This item was heard after Item No. 22.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE CITY'S LAND USE AND ZONING REGULATIONS FOR DISABLED PERSONS PURSUANT TO FAIR HOUSING LAWS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 12-1485 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

RECESS: The City Council was recessed at 9:40 P.M. by Mayor Dear to a continued Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's agenda.

RECONVENE: The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were reconvened at 10:54 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present.

CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION REPORT

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

Successor Agency Item No. 1

A privileged and confidential status report was provided; questions were asked and answered; all members participated in the Closed Session and authorized a settlement position.

City Council Item No. 1

A privileged and confidential status report was provided; questions were asked and answered; all members participated in the Closed Session; authorized a settlement position; and authorized staff to proceed.

City Council Item No. 2

A privileged and confidential status report was provided; a litigation strategy was recommended and unanimously authorized pursuit of such strategy; questions were asked and answered; and all members participated in the Closed Session.

City Council Item No. 3

A privileged and confidential status report was provided; a litigation strategy was recommended; questions were asked and answered; and all members participated in the Closed Session.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS I (STAFF)

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

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear

Ester Mae Anderson, mother of Veronica Anderson, Education Classroom Aide for Lisa Cottrell-Fulbright, and Elgin Olu Stafford, family friend of Mayor Dear.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber
Henry Jesus Alvarez

Council/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes
Soror Vera Banks Shaw, younger sister of Soror Julia Williams.

Council/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson
Rosie Marie Ford, aunt of Assemblyman Isadore Hall.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS II (COUNCIL)

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber
Offered the following oral communications:

- Attended the memorial services for Henry Jesus Alvarez.
- Reported that the Cesar Chavez Day celebration was a huge success and acknowledged and thanked attendees, participants, and staff.
- Reported her attendance at many community events and meetings.
- Congratulated Choura Events on a successful open house event and commended its community outreach.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina was excused and exited the meeting at 10:57 P.M.)

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson exited the meeting and reentered the meeting at 10:58 P.M.)

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber subsequently announced that Waste Management was providing a public service for senior citizen discounts for trash collection services. Seniors may qualify for a 50% annual discount; application valid for one year; bring current property tax bill and valid picture identification to the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center, Room 107, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., April 2, 2012 through April 6, 2012.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear

Inquired whether there were any objections to continue with this evening's agenda, with no objections heard.

Offered the following oral communications:

- Reported that 23-year-old Elgin Stafford who went missing last week was found dead in the Dominguez Channel; cause of death was unknown; and thanked everyone who participated in the search efforts for him.
- Announced that Women in the NAACP (WIN) and the California State Contractors License Board will hold a free senior scam stopper workshop on April 26, 2012, 4-6 P.M., 603 E. University Drive, Ste. D, Carson, California 90746. For more information, contact Olivia Verrett, Chairperson, Women in NAACP or www.cslb.ca.gov or www.SeniorScamStopper.com.
- Reported his attendance at community events and meetings.

- Reported that he and City Manager Biggs hosted a governmental delegation of officials and executives from China.
- Referred to and discussed a conference call with Jerome Horton, Chairman, State Board of Equalization, and other city member representatives, regarding SB 1185, enacting the Centralized Intelligence Act, and requested placement of a resolution on the agenda for consideration by the City Council.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes exited the meeting at 11:07 P.M., and reentered the meeting at 11:10 P.M.)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear subsequently reported that the Cesar Chavez Day celebration was a huge success and acknowledged Rick Pulido, founder. He announced that he has been praying for the wife of Dan Cisneros.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Housing Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber clarified that Rick Pulido was not the founder of the Cesar Chavez Day celebration.

Council/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes

Offered the following oral communications:

- Reported her attendance at community events and meetings.
- Announced the Juneteenth event to be held at Mills Park.
- Thanked Choura Events for their open house event and stated that she looked forward to a long-working relationship.
- Reported her attendance at the 26th Annual National Association of Women Business Owners, Los Angeles Chapter, Leadership and Legacy Awards Luncheon and announced that Cookie Johnson (wife of Magic Johnson), Founder and Co-Owner, CJ by Cookie Johnson, was one of the honorees.
- Congratulated the TLC Club on their 30th anniversary.

Council/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson

Offered the following oral communications:

- Thanked those who participated in the rally today on the lawn of Carson City Hall for Trevon Martin and Kendric McDade.
- Reported that he had attended a committee meeting on family issues in Washington, D.C.
- Acknowledged that his niece Imani Weickes led this evening's Pledge of Allegiance.
- Extended his Easter greetings to the people of Carson.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

A. COUNCILMEMBER GIPSON REQUESTS A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AB 1527, A BILL PROHIBITING PEOPLE FROM DISPLAYING UNLOADED RIFLES AND SHOT GUNS IN PUBLIC PLACES

ACTION: This item was not addressed.

**B. COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS-HOLMES REQUESTS A PRESENTATION FOR
APRIL 17, 2012 FROM A REPRESENTATIVE OF CARSON HIGH SCHOOL ON
THE BUSINESS ACADEMY**

ACTION: This item was not addressed.

UNFINISHED/CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

This item was heard at 10:54 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:27 P.M., by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear in memory of those individuals requested this evening with Santarina absent.

Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

City Clerk Donesia L. Gause