



**MINUTES  
CARSON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 19, 2012**

**5:00 P.M.**

**THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETINGS ARE  
BROADCAST LIVE VIA TIME WARNER CABLE CHANNEL 35 AND AT&T U-VERSE  
CHANNEL 99 AS WELL AS VIA THE INTERNET AT: [HTTP://CL.CARSON.CA.US](http://CL.CARSON.CA.US)**

**AGENDA POSTED: JUNE 15, 2012**

“In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call the City Clerk’s office at 310-952-1720 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.” (Government Code Section 54954.2)

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meetings of the City Council, Successor Agency, and Housing Authority were called to order at 5:01 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.

**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; Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Lula Davis-Holmes, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Elito Santarina

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Commissioners Absent:

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Mike Gipson

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:

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

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

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

**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: Carson Harbor Village, LTD v. City of Carson, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BS-133538.

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**ITEM NO. (2) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6, with City Manager and Administrative Services General Manager, regarding labor negotiations with AFSCME.

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**RECESS:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Recessed at 5:05 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's agenda for the City Council only.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Reconvened at 6:32 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, including Gipson and Ruiz-Raber.

**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/Authority Vice Chairman Julie Ruiz-Raber, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Mike Gipson, Council Member/Agency

Member/Authority Commissioner Lula Davis-Holmes, and Council Member/Agency  
Member/Authority Commissioner Elito Santarina

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Commissioners Absent: None

Other Elected Officials Present: Donesia Gause, City Clerk/Agency  
Secretary/Authority Secretary and Karen  
Avilla, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer

Other Elected Officials Absent: None

Also Present:

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

Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager (Entered at 8:46 P.M.); Ray  
Cruz, Public Services General Manager; Farrokh Abolfathi, Acting Development  
Services General Manager; Lisa Berglund, Principal Administrative Analyst; Robert  
Eggleston, IT Manager; Ky Truong, Public Safety and Community Services Manager;  
Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; Raymond Velasco, Public  
Works Maintenance Superintendent; and Joy Simarago, Deputy City Clerk/Deputy  
Agency Secretary/Deputy Authority Secretary

Eddie Rivero, Acting Captain, Carson Sheriff's Station and Lieutenant Gage, Carson  
Sheriff's Station

## **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

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

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

Provided a privileged and confidential briefing on the return that was made to the Superior Court as ordered by the Court and the follow up hearing that was held; some sides were not satisfied with the outcome and the court has set a 90-day date for the City to prepare an Administrative Record so that any agreed party can bring yet another matter before the Superior Court for hearing; talked with the City Council about the facts and circumstances under which the City could discuss how the case could be resolved short of a full blown further trial and/or appeal and were directed to explore various options and bring them back to the Council for further consideration; questions were asked and answered; all members participated in the Closed Session item.

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

Discussed various proposals received and gave negotiating authority to its City negotiators; provided a privileged and confidential briefing on ongoing negotiations; questions were asked and answered; all members participated in the Closed Session item.

## **Meeting Dedication**

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber requested that this evening's meetings be dedicated in memory of former Councilwoman and former Mayor Kay Calas who passed away early yesterday morning. She announced that she would have an agenda item in the first Tuesday in July requesting that the Carson Senior Center be named after Kay Calas.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear requested the following for the next Council agenda: 1) that her photograph be placed on the Wall of Loving Memories; 2) that her photograph be placed in the Senior Room; and 3) that the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission consider adding individuals to the Wall of Loving Memories.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson extended his prayers and condolences to the Calas Family.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes echoed the comments made by her colleagues and requested that City/Agency/Authority Attorney Wynder bring back the policy renaming city facilities that was in suspension and schedule a committee meeting to discuss further.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina stated that he received information from the Calas Family that there would be a private service and that there would be an announcement for a community memorial service to be held on July 18, 2012 at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear stated that of all the elected officials in the City of Carson, that Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina was the closest person to Kay Calas and the Calas Family and that the City Council jointly offered their condolences.

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

**FLAG SALUTE:**     **MAYOR/AGENCY CHAIRMAN/AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN DEAR LED THE FLAG SALUTE IN HONOR OF FORMER MAYOR KAY CALAS.**

**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 RUDY ABROT, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**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/Agency Secretary at the beginning of the meeting.**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**A. INTRODUCTION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES**

Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station, offered their condolences to the Calas Family for their loss, on behalf of Sheriff Lee Baca.

He announced and invited everyone to the March Against Violence for their national night out to be held on August 1, 2012, 6:00 P.M., at the Carson Sheriff's Station.

He introduced Sergeant Lena Moreno who is in charge of the Parks Enforcement Team and Chad Sawter who is in charge of the COPS Team.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

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

This item was heard after the Council Introductions at 6:52 P.M.

**Dr. Rita Boggs**

Reported on the parking problems with the KIA Dealership parking their cars on the residential streets in her neighborhood and that she and the residents were working with the Planning Department and the Planning Commission to resolve the parking issues.

Whereupon, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs reported that the KIA Dealership would be relocating to a new site within a year and that staff addressed the issues directly with Ken Phillips, KIA Dealership owner.

**Ronald Shimokaji, 1502 E. Carson Street, No. 135, Carson, California 90745**

Referred to a recent edition of the Long Beach Business Journal in the Tourism and Hospitality insert with an article regarding Ryan Choura and reported that Choura Events received four large contracts for event services.

**Richard Vaughn, 415 E. Centerview Drive, Carson, California 90746**

Referred to the proposed consolidation of commissions of \$35,000 in savings and that the commissions were an asset to the community to make the City better; suggested feedback from the commissioners and

asked that community involvement be encouraged and thanked for work done and that the City Council work out a better solution than what was being proposed.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber clarified that the City Council had not discussed the consolidation of commissions

#### **NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 3-12)**

**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 after Oral Communications – Members of the Public.

#### **Public Comments**

##### **Council Item No. 5**

**Charlita Culpepper, 1229 E. Carson, No. 4, Carson, California 90745, representing the Service Employees International Union – United Long Term Care Workers (SEIU-ULTCW) Los Angeles branch**

Thanked the City Council for the support of their work, acknowledgment, and value.

It was moved to approve the Housing Authority, Successor Agency, and City Council New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear and seconded by Ruiz-Raber.

During discussion of the motion, the following items were removed for discussion:

#### **Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear**

**Council Item No. 6: CONSIDER AWARDING A CONTRACT TO NEXTECH SYSTEMS FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF IN-PAVEMENT WARNING LIGHTS, POLE-MOUNTED FLASHING BEACONS, AND A SOLAR POWER PACKAGE FOR THE APPROVED PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS ON CENTRAL AVENUE AT DIMONDALE DRIVE (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

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

**Council Item No. 11: CONSIDER AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RYAN SNYDER ASSOCIATES FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE CARSON COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN OF BIKEWAYS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

#### **Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson**

**Council Item No. 3: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-061 COMMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RESCISSION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DATED JANUARY 27, 1942, WHICH SUPPORTED THE RELOCATION OF**

**AMERICANS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY FROM THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES (CITY MANAGER)**

**Council Item No. 4: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-065 OPPOSING THOMAS E. HENRY'S DECISION TO ADOPT THE NEW TRUSTEE AREA BOUNDARIES MAP FOR COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (CITY MANAGER)**

**Council Item No. 5: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-064 SUPPORTING THE LA WINS! CAMPAIGN WINNING A LIVING WAGE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN-HOME CAREGIVERS (CITY MANAGER)**

Council New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12, Successor Agency New Business Consent Calendar Item No. 1, and Housing Authority New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1 and 2 were unanimously approved by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (3) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-061 COMMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RESCISSION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DATED JANUARY 27, 1942, WHICH SUPPORTED THE RELOCATION OF AMERICANS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY FROM THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES (CITY MANAGER)**

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson offered comments in support of the resolution and recalled that former City Clerk Helen Kawagoe discussed that she and her family were placed in concentration camps in 1942.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-061, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, COMMENDING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' RESCISSION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DATED JANUARY 27, 1942, WHICH SUPPORTED THE RELOCATION OF AMERICANS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY FROM THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to all members of the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, the Japanese American Citizens League, Pacific Southwest

Regional Office, 250 E. First Street, Suite 303, Los Angeles, CA 90012, and the Japanese American Senior Citizens, 2110 Corinth Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025.

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

During discussion of the motion, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause clarified that there was a speaker card that was presented during Council discussion of the item.

### **Public Comments**

#### **Janice Schaefer, 21111 Dolores Street, Carson, California 90745**

Urged the City Council to name the Council Chambers for Helen Kawagoe and felt that it was the appropriate time for the City Council to reconsider their decision and to name the Council Chambers for Helen Kawagoe now along with the resolution.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear inquired whether the resolution could be amended to include the naming of the Council Chambers in honor of former City Clerk Helen Kawagoe. Whereupon, City/Agency/Authority Attorney Wynder stated that the resolutions were separate and distinct subject matters and would have to bring back a separate resolution to amend the resolution.

#### **William Davis, 17701 South Avalon Boulevard, Carson, California 90746**

Referred to former City Clerk Helen Kawagoe, Sak Yamamoto who was the second Mayor of Carson, and his widow Greta Yamamoto who were also in the Relocation Camps in San Diego in 1942.

The motion to approve was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

### **ITEM NO. (4)      CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-065 OPPOSING THOMAS E. HENRY'S DECISION TO ADOPT THE NEW TRUSTEE AREA BOUNDARIES MAP FOR COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (CITY MANAGER)**

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report.

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-065, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING THOMAS E. HENRY'S DECISION TO ADOPT THE NEW TRUSTEE AREA BOUNDARIES MAP FOR COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to Special Trustee Thomas E. Henry and all members of the Board of Trustees for Compton Community College District and Interim Chief Executive Officer, Keith Curry.

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1 and 2 and include the transmission of the resolution to the following: 1) Los Angeles County Board of Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas; 2) Assembly Member Warren Furutani; 3) Senator Ted Lieu; 4) Senator Rod Wright; 5) Assembly Member Isadore Hall; and 6) All of the Board of Trustees Members of El Camino Community College on motion of Gipson, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-064 SUPPORTING THE LA WINS! CAMPAIGN WINNING A LIVING WAGE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN-HOME CAREGIVERS (CITY MANAGER)**

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson thanked Ms. Culpepper and Union President Butler.

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 12-064, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE LA WINS! CAMPAIGN WINNING A LIVING WAGE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN-HOME CAREGIVERS."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to the Service Employees International Union - United Long Term Care Workers (SEIU-ULTCW) Los Angeles branch.

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1 and 2 on motion of Ruiz-Raber, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDER AWARDING A CONTRACT TO NEXTECH SYSTEMS FOR  
THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE  
INSTALLATION OF IN-PAVEMENT WARNING LIGHTS, POLE-  
MOUNTED FLASHING BEACONS, AND A SOLAR POWER PACKAGE  
FOR THE APPROVED PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS ON CENTRAL  
AVENUE AT DIMONDALE DRIVE (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the formal bid process stipulated under CMC Section 2607, as allowed by Section 2604(a), for this purchase.
2. AUTHORIZE staff to purchase the LaneLight in-pavement warning light system, flashing beacons, pedestrian push buttons, and solar power package from Nextech Systems using TDA Article 3 Bicycle Pathway funds.
3. APPROVE a budget transfer within the TDA Article 3 Bicycle Pathway fund, in the amount of \$49,137.75, from Project Number 999 - Dolphin Park Improvement - Prefab Restroom (Phase 1), account number 17-90-999-004-8008/0099901, to Project Number 1336 - Pedestrian Safety Enhancements on Central Avenue at Dimondale Drive, account number 17-90-999-004-8023/0133601.
4. APPROVE the award of a purchase contract for traffic/pedestrian safety equipment to Nextech Systems in the amount of \$37,759.86.

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

During discussion of the motion, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes inquired into the installation after award of the contract; whereupon, Acting Development Services General Manager Abolfathi reported that the installation would be assisted by the Los Angeles County Public Works and would purchase the equipment before the June 30, 2012 deadline to utilize the TDA funds and that the project would be completed before school resumes on August 14, 2012.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs reported that he learned today that the City was awarded a \$100,000 State grant to move forward with the Dolphin Park Restroom Improvements.

The motion to approve was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (7) CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT AS COMPLETE - TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF SANTA FE AVENUE AND JEFFERSON STREET (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. ACCEPT as complete - Traffic signal installation at the intersection of Santa Fe Avenue and Jefferson Street.
2. AUTHORIZE staff to add this intersection to the list of traffic signals maintained by the County of Los Angeles under contract to the City of Carson.

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

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

**ITEM NO. (8) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE an increase of 3.2% to the Integrated Commercial/Industrial Waste Management Services price matrix for FY 2012/13.

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

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

**ITEM NO. (9) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ESTIMATES AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR PROJECT NO. 1297: CITYWIDE ANNUAL OVERLAY PROGRAM AND PROJECT NO. 1289: CITYWIDE ANNUAL CONCRETE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

1. **APPROVE** the plans, specifications, estimates, Location Maps and Location List, and order the work for Project No. 1297: Citywide Annual Overlay Program and Project No. 1289: Citywide Annual Concrete Replacement Program.
2. **AUTHORIZE** staff to advertise the work and call for construction bids for Project No. 1297: Citywide Annual Overlay Program and Project No. 1289: Citywide Annual Concrete Replacement Program.

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

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

**ITEM NO. (10) CONSIDER THE STATUS OF ABX1 26 IMPLEMENTATION (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

1. **RECEIVE** and **FILE**.

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

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

**ITEM NO. (11) CONSIDER AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH RYAN SNYDER ASSOCIATES FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE CARSON COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN OF BIKEWAYS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

This item was heard after Council Item No. 6.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes reported that several years ago a resident was concerned with the bike path and ensured that it was moving forward.

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

1. **APPROVE** a professional services agreement with Ryan Snyder Associates/RBF Consulting for the preparation of Carson Comprehensive Master Plan of Bikeways for a not-to-exceed total of \$74,000. 00.
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor to execute the agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

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

During discussion of the motion, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina complimented Economic Development General Manager Graves, Public Services General Manager Cruz, Recreation Superintendent Hicks, and staff and requested that staff notify the public expeditiously of the Master Plan of Bikeways.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber thanked the grant writers and echoed the comments made by her colleagues.

The motion to approve was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (12) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF QUITCLAIM OF ACCESS EASEMENT TO CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2535 E. CARSON STREET (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the quitclaim of that 828 square-foot easterly portion of the 15-foot wide easement for maintenance and access purposes described in the corrective grant deed, recorded July 7, 2009, as instrument No. 20091032930 and later modified in the Modified Easement Grant Deed as Instrument No. 20111336794 Official Records of Los Angeles County, California, relating to Assessor's Parcel Numbers 7316-010-910.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the quitclaim documents following approval as to form by City Attorney.

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

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**DEMANDS (Item 13)**

**ITEM NO. (13) RESOLUTION NO. 12-060 RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,212,081.30, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 104944 THROUGH 105166**

This item was heard after Council Item No. 11.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 12-060 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/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson, and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY (Items 14-15)**

**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 NO. (14) PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2012/13 CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET (CITY MANAGER)**

This item was heard after Council Item No. 18 at 8:41 P.M.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman declared the Public Hearing open **REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2012/13 CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET.**

**City Clerk's Report**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause 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.

**Administration of Oath**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath, which was administered by City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

**Staff Report**

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and discussed the updated line item allocations based on Decision Package No. 1.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes reentered the meeting at 8:44 P.M.)

Administrative Services General Manager Acosta provided a Pink handout of the Revised Proposed Operating Budget Fund Summary Fiscal Year 2012/13 and a White handout of the 22 Budget Referrals to the Mayor, City Council, staff, and made extra copies available for members of the audience.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear suggested to City Manager/Executive Director Biggs that the handouts of the revised proposals be printed on yellow color paper for better reading.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs reported that the Pink package was an update of the line item allocations based on Decision Package No. 1 which was the subsequent review of the department submittals and the White package starting on Page 102 were the initial Budget Referrals which were the additional information to the draft budget.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs referred to and discussed the 22 Budget Referrals.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs reported that Economic Development General Manager Graves could not be present this evening due to a family emergency but that everything was fine and that Redevelopment Manager Westbrook and Administrative Services General Manager Acosta would be available for any Economic Development questions.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear recognized his brother, Don Dear, President of the West Basin Municipal Water District and Water Board Director, who was in the audience this evening.

Administrative Services General Manager Acosta referred to last week's budget packet and referred to questions posed by Council Member Santarina and discussed the following:

- Page 21, Revenue Chart Total Revenues \$66,434,782.
- Page 26, Total Revenues \$66,301,022 - backed out the two one-time revenues previously discussed on the reimbursement from the state on property tax they borrowed three years ago and approximately \$165,000 of election-related reimbursement waiting from the State, therefore, two different numbers.
- Page 27, Schedule of Revenues, Parking fines 2011/12 budget of \$875,000 decreased to \$375,000 being year-end estimate for this year and about \$300,000 projected for next year - related to the change in State law regarding ticketing for street sweeping, therefore, decrease in revenue drastically impacted the parking fine revenue.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes exited the meeting at 9:23 P.M. and reentered that meeting at 9:24 P.M.)

- Page 27, Community Center Revenues, decrease of \$913,500 budget this year but proposed estimate for next year \$812,500 - two components related to the Community Center have gone down and reflected in the projections. Catering Revenues projected to be down \$37,000 over last year and the Room Rental Revenues proposed to be down by \$65,000.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear inquired why would catering revenue and room rental revenue be down if the economy was better this year than last year, whereupon Administrative Services General Manager Acosta stated that estimates were based on what the activity had been over the past two years which was trending downward and could adjust midyear if doing better.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear stated that the new caterer had proposed an increase in revenue, therefore, did not jive with the projections.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs discussed the projections and transition with the new caterer, Choura Events.

Public Services General Manager Cruz reported that the fee waivers increased every year and if the fee waivers were diminished at the Community Center then would bring in more revenue.

A discussion ensued regarding reduction of the fee waivers.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs stated that he would bring back an analysis to the City Council.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes requested that unrealized revenue be made part of the budget process.

- Pages 30 and 31, Part-Time budget decreased by \$300,000, Part-Time line item 5004
- Page 30 Redemption Pay and Termination Pay, Object Nos. 5008 and 5010.
- Conference and Travel - need to go back by department and division and bring back more information; whereupon, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina averaged figures he provided the result of \$91,000 only and now 2013 budgeted for \$124,750 and requested clarification as to why the figures increased.
- Page 31, Object Account 7011, increase in Property Rental and Supply budget from \$60,000 to \$109,000 - would bring back an analysis.

Upon inquiry, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs discussed the Redevelopment Housing and the Career Center staff at the One Civic Plaza building in which the lease was up in August and that the plan was to move the Redevelopment and Housing staff, except the Career Center, back into City Hall and hopefully reduce the amount due to the transition from Redevelopment.

### **Public Comments**

#### **Paul Gaines, 2601 E. Victoria Street, Compton, California 90220**

Offered comments in support of the VeteransSportscomplex facility and requested to keep in the budget.

**Ernestine Leverette, 16903 Billings Drive, Carson, California 90746**

Offered comments in support of the VeteransSportscomplex facility and requested to keep open.

**Larry Shimokaji, 1502 E. Carson Street, No. 135, Carson, California 90745**

Chairman of the Beautification Committee; referred to Decision Package No. 14, Consolidation of Commissions, Boards, and Committees, and requested that the City Council ask the various commissioners and committee members their opinion in writing and suggested that the Council contact the Beautification Committee members through letter or email and felt that it was very important that the City Council hear comments before making a decision on Decision Package No. 14.

**Joanne Swan, 17701 S. Avalon, No. 80, Carson, California 90746**

Inquired if there was any input from the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee on the proposed budget.

Administrative Services General Manager Acosta reported that there was no input from the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee to date on the proposed budget due to the budget preparation and that there was a posted meeting for tomorrow night for their input to be held on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, 6:00 P.M., Carson City Hall, Executive Conference Room.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes clarified that the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee was established on the ballot to oversee the revenue that came in through the utility tax and that their main focus was to oversee the revenues that came in from the utility user tax.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear clarified that the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee was originally established by the voters of Carson and that the utility user tax was approximately 6 million dollars which was part of the General Fund Budget and that the City Council opted to expand the committee's purview to review and comment on the whole budget and that they serve as an advisory group to the City Council.

**Ronald Shimokaji, 1502 E. Carson Street, No. 135, Carson, California 90745**

Stated that he was a former member of the Beautification Committee and the Historical Committee which was created to deal with historical issues which was a spinoff of the Fine Arts and Historical Commission and that they were charged to create a nonprofit public benefit corporation pursuant to Section 501C3 of the Internal Revenue Code and to form a Historical Society which was currently underway. He further stated that he was concerned that the City Council eliminated the funding for the Cultural Arts events and Cultural Arts programs that he developed a proposal two years ago to create a nonprofit foundation that would raise money to support art in the City of Carson and would be willing to pursue if the City Council wishes.

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

Clarified the comment made earlier regarding the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee being only overseeing the taxes for the utility user tax which was the original proposal that the citizens voted for, however, the 6 or 7 million dollars was combined into the General Fund and could not be separated out so could not oversee it without knowing where it was and that staff pointed out to the Committee which was why the Committee was now overseeing all of the budget because that money was intermingled in the General Fund.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear ordered the Budget Public Hearing continued to Tuesday, July 3, 2012, Carson City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745, and that the next Budget Study Session would be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, Carson City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745, with no objections heard.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes offered the following comments:

- That the budget handouts be provided in a timely manner for review and not provided late in the meeting.
- Look into how much money could be saved from attending conferences, meetings, and travel, if not mandatory.
- Concern of the \$200,000 Overtime.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson offered the following comments:

- That the composition of Commissions, Committees, and Boards needed to be addressed.
- Invited residents and others to participate in the budget process and welcomed any suggestions and recognized those who have expressed their concerns.
- Demonstration of true leadership and partnership with the City employees.
- Everyone to keep in mind that the items presented were proposals, therefore, no firm decision made to date by the City Council.
- Looked forward to the discussion to address the cell phone usage by staff in which some of the costs were not reimbursed back to the city.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear offered the following comments:

- Referred to and expressed his concern of the proposed change in the Parks and Recreation Division to be combined with the Community Services Department that it be reconsidered and to keep them separate because they currently work efficiently.
- Referred to the Transportation Department that the downsizing be reevaluated and to look into bringing in more revenue.
- Requested reason for the creation of the Assistant City Manager position.
- Felt that it was good to get the opinion of all aspects of the budget from the Utility Users' Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee and looked forward to their meeting tomorrow.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina referred to the following:

- Budget materials provided so far and the White and Pink handouts and inquired how much was the difference between them.
- His budget approach to eliminate the 3.2 million dollar deficit based on his analysis of the budget information received thus far and that starting at an estimated deficit of \$3,246,096 and supported Decision Packages Nos. 1, 3, 6, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 26, and 29 which would be his version to balance the budget and based on his study of the General Fund

Balance Decision Packages Nos. 1-5, General Fund Operating Budget Recommended Decision Packages Nos. 1-29, and the General Fund Operating Budget Alternate Decision Packages Nos. 1-8; and would be willing to share with his colleagues and welcome their input.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs discussed the following:

- Difference between the White version of the line items summaries and the Pink version was \$1,052,408 of reductions that were made to various line items after he and Administrative Services General Manager Acosta reviewed the departmental budgets which was part of the closing of the gap.
- To continue the Budget Public Hearing open to July 3, 2012 and hold another budget session.
- Provide budget materials as early as possible.
- Review of overtime allocations.
- Mileage reimbursement.
- Direct any further questions/comments/concerns to him or Administrative Services General Manager Acosta and would do their best to get the information back to facilitate the budget process.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson exited the meeting at 10:15 P.M. and reentered the meeting at 10:16 P.M.)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina offered the following additional comments:

- Suggested Decision Package No. 3.
- No elimination of positions except for those that were vacant.
- No layoffs.
- Look forward to the Mid-Year Budget Review.
- Continue team work.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber offered the following comments:

- No layoffs.
- Not happy with the consolidation of the Human Services Division with the Parks and Recreation Division.
- Look into the Transportation Division.
- Need more time to review the budget materials.
- Consider Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes' and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina's suggestions.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes offered the following comments:

- Supported the reorganization.
- Not fill the Assistant City Manager position at this time.

- More elaboration on the separation of departments.
- Requested more options and would send her questions to Administrative Services General Manager Acosta.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONDUCT a Public Hearing study session on the proposed FY 2012/13 General Fund Budget and CONTINUE the Public Hearing open until July 3, 2012 at 6 p.m.

ACTION: The City Council held the Budget Public Hearing study session.

**ITEM NO. (15) PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER RESIDENTIAL WASTE SERVICES RATE ADJUSTMENT (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

There being no objections to consider Council Item No. 15 before Council Item No. 14, Council Item No. 15 was heard at this time after Agency Item No. 2.

**City Clerk's Report**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause reported that notice of the Public Hearing had been given pursuant to applicable law, including but not limited to postings as required by law and other mailings as requested by individuals and organizations. The affidavits attesting to mailing such notice are on file in the City Clerk's Office. Four written communications were received.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

**Administration of Oath**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath, which was administered by City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause.

**Staff Report**

Thanked the Mayor and City Council for accommodating his request to hear this item before Council Item No. 14 due to staff time for photocopying of budget materials.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs summarized the staff report and recommendation.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman declared the Public Hearing open **TO CONSIDER RESIDENTIAL WASTE SERVICES RATE ADJUSTMENT.**

**Public Testimony**

**Hay Van-Nguyen, 2722 E. Monroe, Carson, California 90810**

Stated that he received a notice from the City regarding waste disposal service fees and was charged the regular monthly rate of \$18.51 and reported that his green waste container was cracked and requested a new one.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear reported that Public Safety and Community Services Manager Truong was being summoned to assist Mr. Van-Nguyen with interpretation service.

**RECESS:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Recessed at 7:56 P.M. for staff.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Reconvened at 7:57 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present.

**Council Item No. 15 (Continued)**

Public Safety and Community Services Manager Truong translated Mr. Van Nguyen's comments who expressed that he requested a new waste container because it was cracked and that he was 69 years old and was paying the regular residential rate of \$18.51 since he started paying.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear requested a meeting with Mr. Van-Nguyen, City Manager, and Waste Management to deal with his issue and inquired into the policy, whereupon, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs stated that his issue would begin with Waste Management.

**Stefan Page, representing Waste Management**

Upon request, provided the Waste Management customer service number 800-774-0222 to call to obtain a new waste container and would provide his personal business card to ensure that Mr. Van-Nguyen's issue was addressed in a prompt manner; reported that although he missed the annual senior signups that he could still sign up and receive discount by July 31st deadline and referred him to the Public Works Department who would assist him further.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear introduced Public Works Maintenance Superintendent Velasco who clarified that there was a process to receive the senior discount and if Mr. Van-Nguyen missed the signups in early April that seniors could still signup for the discount until July 2<sup>nd</sup> for the upcoming year.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear directed City Manager/Executive Director Biggs to coordinate with Mr. Van-Nguyen to sign up before the July 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline, whereupon, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs stated that he would contact Mr. Van-Nguyen.

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

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina expressed the importance for staff to explain to the public the residential service rate adjustment.

Upon request, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs discussed the franchise agreement with Waste Management related to the rate increase items.

A discussion ensued regarding the application process for senior discounts.

Public Works Maintenance Superintendent Velasco stated that staff would do more outreach to the seniors prior to sign ups.

Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber thanked and commended Waste Management for their service and reported that they offered a special truck to pick up other trash on regular pickup day but should contact them a week in advance.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson inquired whether the senior club members received information regarding senior discounts given by Waste Management, whereupon, Tiny Cook stated that she had informed the seniors and would make another announcement to all the senior clubs. Subsequently, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson requested that staff work with Ms. Cook.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina requested that staff maximize the notification process through the website and use of flyers to make the senior residents more aware.

City Manager/Executive Director Biggs stated that he would provide a written summary with the outreach efforts to the City Council.

**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 3.2% to the (\$0.59 per month, \$7.08 per year) for FY 2012/13 for Integrated Residential Waste Management Services.

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve an increase of 3.2% to the (\$0.59 per month, \$7.08 per year) for FY 2012/13 for Integrated Residential Waste Management Services on motion of Santarina, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**RECESS:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Recessed at 8:18 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear for staff.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority were Reconvened at 8:39 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present with Davis-Holmes absent.

(Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber exited and reentered the meeting at 8:39 P.M.)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Item 16)**

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

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/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear continued this item to the next regular meeting of July 3, 2012, with no objections heard.

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

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

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

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear continued this item to the next regular meeting of July 3, 2012, with no objections heard.

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (None)**

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (Item 18)**

**ITEM NO. (18) ORDINANCE NO. 12-1490:  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING  
THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE § 63127.5 THROUGH § 63127.16  
REGARDING THE UPDATING OF FILMING POLICY**

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 12-1490 was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes

## **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**

Honorable Kay A. Calas  
Fred Aguilar

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

Mrs. Bullet

### **Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson**

Oscar Patrice Duncan  
Sidney James Corbin

### **Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

Honorable Kay A. Calas

### **Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina**

Joe Macabeo  
Benigno "Boy" Alvarez  
Fely Clemente

She offered the following oral communications:

- Reported her attendance at several community events and deferred her comments to the members who hosted the events.

### **City Manager/Executive Director Biggs**

- Reiterated the good news that the City received a \$100,000 grant for restroom improvements at Dolphin Park.
- Reported on the re-opening portion of the parking lot in front of Sears during the construction of the new Olive Garden Restaurant at the South Bay Pavilion.

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

### **Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear**

- Reported on events attended.
- Reported his attendance at the annual commercial real estate convention known as the ICSC (International Council of Shopping Centers) in Las Vegas and met with various representatives and real estate departments of various entities who were interested in doing business in the City and reported that Yogurtland was interested in opening a store in Carson and if criteria met would like to be near a coffee shop or café across from City Hall near the IHOP Restaurant in the Gateway City Center and Renaissance City Center development.

- Announced that Environmental Commission Chairman Pinon and his parents who are Native Americans were proposing a Tongva monument for Native Americans who live in the Carson area to be part of the International Sculpture Garden.
- Met with Cathy Sutton from a non-profit organization and was planning a student back to school giveaway of backpacks and other materials tentatively scheduled for August 11, 2012 sponsored by several corporations.
- Announced the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of the Lucky 8 Chinese and Filipino Restaurant located in the shopping center on the southwest corner of Carson Street and Wilmington Avenue and reported that a sign was needed on the building facing Carson Street for visibility.
- Toured the Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Directors Facility Tour on June 6, 2012 and invited commissioners, committee members, board members, and Council Members to attend.
- Presented the Mayor Jim Dear Scholarship to a Carson senior student in conjunction with the Carson Women's Club, chaired by Frances Cottrell, held at the Carson High School Awards Ceremony.
- Attended multiple culmination and graduation ceremonies of elementary, middle schools and high schools in the Carson area.

**Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson exited the meeting at 10:48 P.M.)

- Requested that the Mayor allow his colleagues to speak first as a courtesy.
- Announced that her granddaughter graduated last night from Nevada with straight A's and received the Millennium Scholarship.
- Congratulated Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes for spearheading the Juneteenth Celebration along with the Carson Cultural Arts Foundation who did a fantastic job.
- Congratulated all of the graduates and congratulated City Manager/Executive Director Bigg's son who also graduated with former President Clinton and Hillary Clinton who were in attendance at his graduation ceremony.
- Reported that she attended many community events that was previously mentioned by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson reentered the meeting at 10:49 P.M.)

- Announced that she and City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Avilla received a scholarship from NALEO (National Association of Local Elected Officials) to attend the four-day conference to be held in Orlando, Florida and reported that City/Agency/Authority Treasurer Avilla was the President and that she was the Board Treasurer.
- Stated that she looked forward to working on the budget.
- Thanked and wished everyone a good night.
- Excused herself from the meeting.

(Mayor Pro Tem/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber exited the meeting at 10:52 P.M.)

**Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Davis-Holmes**

- Reported on events attended.

- Reported on several graduations attended.
- Thanked the Juneteenth Planning Committee for an outstanding job, the business community for providing the financial support, Carson Citizens Cultural Arts Foundation, and the City for waiver of equipment fees.
- Inquired whether City Manager/Executive Director Biggs contacted the “Not Your Grandmother’s Grocery Store,” whereupon, City Manager/Executive Director Biggs stated that he would send a letter to solicit their interest in Carson.
- Requested that the following items be added to the next agenda: 1) Left turn and merge lane on Victoria and Central which was located in a bad location and 2) an update of the Special Interest Classes.
- Requested that City Manager/Executive Director Biggs bring back after the budget process regarding the two events that were presented at the Home Depot Center which was authorized by the Mayor and that the other Council Members were not aware and that it should come before the full Council.
- Announced that her grandson graduated from Annalee Elementary School today.
- Shared an inspirational script from her church pastor.

**Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Santarina**

- Reported on events attended.
- Reported that the Del Amo and Susana Roads needed repair.
- Commented on the successful Juneteenth Celebration.
- Commended City Manager/Executive Director Biggs, City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary Gause, Public Safety Services Manager McKay, and staff for their attendance at a neighborhood meeting.
- Congratulated Alan Ergina for the wonderful fundraiser event that benefitted the Pre-K students Early Reader Project in California.
- Thanked staff for their hard work.

**Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Commissioner Gipson**

- Announced The California Homeowners Bill of Rights Town Hall Meeting, on Thursday, June 21, 2012, 6:00 P.M., at the California Science Center, Wallis Annenberg Building (Muses Room), 700 State Drive, Los Angeles, hosted by Senator Curren D. Price, Jr. and Chair of The California Legislative Black Caucus and California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris.
- Announced the E-Waste Event, on Saturday, July 14, 2012, 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., at the Judson Baptist Church, 451 E. 223<sup>rd</sup> Street, Carson, \$5.00 donation per 13 gallon trash bags, hosted by Pastor Baylor and the Judson Building Expansion Team.
- Reported on several graduations attended, including Stephen M. White Middle School and Narbonne High School.
- Congratulated his son who graduated from Stephen White Middle School.
- Commended all the organizers and leaders for the fantastic Juneteenth Celebration.
- Celebrated Father’s Day with his father.
- Reported on events attended.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS (None)**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:08 P.M by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Dear and in memory of those requested this evening with Ruiz-Raber absent.

---

Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

---

City Clerk Donesia L. Gause