



**MINUTES
CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 19, 2012**

5:00 P.M.

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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 (None) 5:00 P.M. – 5:45 P.M.

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

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.

**CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY
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. In doing so, the Carson Successor Agency 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 Agency Secretary at the beginning of the meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

This is the appropriate time for members of the general public to address the **Agency on items not on the posted Agenda but are items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the 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 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 (Item 1)

These items are considered to be routine items of AGENCY business and have, therefore, been placed on the CONSENT CALENDAR. If AGENCY 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. (1) REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW CONSULTANT AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/13 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

RECOMMENDATION for the Successor Agency:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the attached list of consultants.
2. AUTHORIZE the professional services agreements listed on the following pages, in the amounts recommended.
3. AUTHORIZE the Agency Chairman to sign the professional services agreements after approval as to form by the Agency Counsel.
4. AUTHORIZE the Executive Director to execute the necessary documentation to implement the work orders as required.

ACTION: Item No. 1 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 2)

ITEM NO. (2) RESOLUTION NO. 12-14-CSA RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,846,999.27, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001098 THROUGH SA-001111

This item was heard after Housing Authority No. 3.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 12-14-CSA, 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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (None)

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (None)

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. 223rd 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.

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.

Agency Chairman Jim Dear

ATTEST:

Agency Secretary Donesia L. Gause