



City of Carson

Report to Mayor and City Council

April 16, 2013
New Business Discussion

SUBJECT: CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 13-1519 AMENDING THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE NUMBER AND COMPOSITION OF VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

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I. SUMMARY

During the April 2, 2013 City Council meeting, Agenda Item No. 19 was considered and an ordinance amendment was introduced for first reading restoring the number and composition of the boards, commissions and committees back to what they were prior to the October 2, 2012.

During the discussion of that item, Councilmember Robles made clear that, in his view, boards, commissions, and committee should be composed of no fewer than nine (9) members. When Councilmember Robles made the motion to introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 13-1516, he did so including, where appropriate, increasing the size of the commissions to nine (9) members.

If it is the wish of the City Council to implement this nine (9) member policy City wide, it will be necessary to introduce, for first reading, the attached ordinance. Ordinance No. 13-1519 will amend Sections 2751 (Environmental Commission), 2798.2 (Public Works Commission), 27101.2 (Citywide Advisory Commission), 27103.2 (Public Safety Commission), and 27106.2 (Women's Issues Commission) of the Municipal Code to increase the size of these commissions to nine (9) members.

Having further reviewed the history of the composition of the Beautification Committee, the U.U.T. Oversight Committee and the Carson Historical Committee, each of these committees were altered in membership by resolution not ordinance. Resolutions will be prepared for the Council to review at the May 7, 2013 City Council meeting.

II. RECOMMENDATION

WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 13-1519, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF VARIOUS COMMISSIONS."

III. ALTERNATIVES

1. MODIFY the attached draft ordinance.
2. TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate consistent with law.

IV. BACKGROUND

If it is the intention of the City Council to implement a policy that all City boards, commissions, and committees have a minimum membership of nine (9), it will be necessary to introduce, for first reading, the attached ordinance which will amend Sections 2751 (Environmental Commission), 2798.2 (Public Works Commission), 27101.2 (Citywide Advisory Commission), 27103.2 (Public Safety Commission), and 27106.2 (Women's Issues Commission) of the Municipal Code to increase the size of these commissions to nine (9) members.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

Unknown as of the writing of this staff report.

VI. EXHIBITS

1. Ordinance No. 13- 1519. (pgs. 3-4)

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TO:Rev04-23-12

Reviewed by:

City Clerk	City Treasurer
Administrative Services	Development Services
Economic Development	Public Services

Action taken by City Council

Date_____ Action_____

ORDINANCE NO. 13-1519

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE CARSON
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS
OF VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, the CITY COUNCIL of the CITY of CARSON, CALIFORNIA, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 2751 (Environmental Commission), 2798.2 (Public Works Commission), 27101.2 (Citywide Advisory Commission), 27103.2 (Public Safety Commission), and 27106.2 (Women's Issues Commission) of the Carson Municipal Code are amended, in part, to increase the membership of each of the commissions identified therein to nine (9) members.

SECTION 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of Carson hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its second reading and adoption.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Carson and shall cause a summary of this ordinance to be published in accordance with Government Code § 36933.



PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council on this _____ day of April, 2013.

Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

City Clerk Donesia L. Gause, CMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

