

# City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

May 21, 2013 New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 13-048 EXTENDING THE TERMS OF THE DEWAYNE JACKSON AND JAHAIRA KEYS REWARD FUNDS

Submitted by Raymond R. Cruz

Director of Community Services

Approved by David C. Biggs

City Manager

#### I. SUMMARY

This item is on the agenda at the request of Mayor Dear.

The term of the DeWayne Jackson reward fund that was first established in 2007 has since expired, and the reward fund for Jahaira Keys is scheduled to expire later this year. In an effort to encourage individuals to provide information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for their deaths, the City Council is asked to approve Resolution No. 13-048 that would extend their reward terms for an additional five years.

#### II. RECOMMENDATION

WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 13-048, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, THAT WOULD EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE REWARD FUNDS FOR DEWAYNE JACKSON AND JAHAIRA KEYS FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE YEARS."

#### III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

#### IV. BACKGROUND

On October 18, 2001, DeWayne Jackson, a Carson High School freshman with no gang affiliation, was riding his bicycle outside of his Fernrock Street home. A white Chevrolet Caprice with a taxi sign on it came up to him, and someone inside the vehicle said something to Mr. Jackson that made him move closer. A gunman inside then shot and killed him.

On May 3, 2007, Jahaira Keys attended a party at Bistro 880 which was then located at 880 East Dominguez Street. The party was hosted by individuals affiliated with a gang. During the course of the party, members of another gang arrived, and several fights ensued in the parking lot.

Ms. Keys was in a group assembled in the parking lot watching two men engaged in a fist fight, when a female exited a small gray vehicle and fired

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several times into the crowd from the street. Jahaira Keys sustained one gunshot wound, and was pronounced dead at the scene. The murder weapon was not recovered. At the time a suspect was identified, but no charges were filed.

In an effort to encourage the public to provide information that would lead to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for their deaths, the City Council, on January 2, 2002, established a reward fund in the amount of \$10,000.00 for DeWayne Jackson (Exhibit No. 1), and on September 17, 2008, established another reward fund for \$10,000.00 for Jahaira Keys (Exhibit No. 2). On November 7, 2007, the City Council approved increasing the amount of the DeWayne Jackson reward fund to \$20,000.00 (Exhibit No. 3).

In the time since these actions, little progress has been made in locating the individual(s) responsible for their deaths. Hoping that with additional time someone may still come forward with information, the City Council is asked to approve Resolution No. 13-048 that would extend the terms of these reward funds for an additional five years. Should the City Council approve this request, both reward funds would expire on May 21, 2018.

#### V. FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for reward monies is not budgeted and appropriated until the time of actual disbursement.

#### VI. EXHIBITS

- 1. Minutes, January 8, 2002, Item No. 16. (pg. 4)
- 2. Minutes, September 17, 2008, Item No. 8. (pg. 5)
- 3. Minutes, November 7, 2007, Item No. 22. (pg. 6)
- 4. Resolution No. 13-048. (pgs. 7-8))
- 5. City Council Approved Reward Funds. (pg. 9)

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TO:Rev09-04-2012

Reviewed by:

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City Clerk	City Treasurer		
Administrative Services	Public Works		
Community Development	Community Services		

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Action taken by City Council					
Date	Action				

#### Item No. 16

Mayor Sweeney moved Item No. 16, Establishment of a Reward Fund for Information Leading to the Arrest and Conviction of Those Responsible for the Murder of Dwayne Earl Jackson, Jr., Resolution No. 02-009, to be heard at this time with no objections heard.

ITEM NO. (16) ESTABLISHMENT OF A REWARD FUND FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF DWAYNE EARL JACKSON, JR., RESOLUTION NO. 02-009 (PUBLIC SERVICES)

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 02-009, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF A REWARD FUND FOR PERSONS WHO FURNISH INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO CAUSED THE DEATH OF DWAYNE EARL JACKSON, JR."
- 2. **APPROPRIATE** \$10,000 from the unreserved, undesignated general fund balance to the designated reward fund upon authorization by the City Manager.

ACTION: This item was heard after the New Business Consent Calendar.

WFR and adopt. MO/C 5/0

ITEM NO. (8) CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 08-113 ESTABLISING A REWARD FUND FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF JAHAIRA KEYS (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Captain Todd Rogers, Carson Sheriff's Station, offered comments in support of the staff recommendation and reported that a reward fund assists in the apprehension and conviction of the persons responsible for the crime.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 08-113, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF A REWARD FUND FOR THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO FURNISH INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO CAUSED THE DEATH OF JAHAIRA KEYS."
- 2. APPROPRIATE \$10,000.00 from the unreserved, undesignated general fund balance to the designated reward fund account.

ACTION: It was moved to Approve staff recommendation Nos. 1 and 2 on motion of Gipson seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Pro Tem Gipson, Council Member Santarina, Council Member Williams, and

Council Member Davis-Holmes

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Mayor Dear



## ITEM NO. (22) UPDATE ON THE INVESTIGATION OF THE DEATH OF DWAYNE JACKSON (PUBLIC SERVICES)

This item was heard after Agency Item No.7 at 9:33 P.M.

Captain Todd Rogers, Carson Sheriff's Station, reported that the Department had limited information, and he did not have much to offer in terms of the investigation and indicated that any increase would be supported by the Sheriff's Department.

#### RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE report.

ACTION: It was moved to bring this item back in two weeks with a staff recommendation whether or not to increase the award amount on motion of Dear.

City Attorney Wynder reported that this item could be addressed tonight.

Captain Rogers apprised the City Council that, generally speaking, the Department recommends to increase the reward amount incrementally, e.g., a \$10,000 additional reward amount.

It was moved to increase the reward amount to \$20,000, for information that leads to the killer's arrest and conviction, as recommended by Captain Todd Rogers, Carson Sheriff's Station, on motion of Dear, seconded by Williams and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes:

Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Williams, and Council

Member Davis-Holmes

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Council Member Gipson

#### RESOLUTION NO. 13-048

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, THAT WOULD EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE REWARD FUNDS FOR DEWAYNE JACKSON AND JAHAIRA KEYS FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE YEARS

The City Council of the City of Carson hereby finds, determines and resolves:

- **Section 1.** Pursuant to California Government Code Section 53069.5, on January 8, 2002, the City Council approved Resolution No. 02-009 that established a reward fund for the purpose of encouraging person(s) having information regarding the identity and whereabouts of any person(s), whose willful misconduct resulted in the death of DeWayne Jackson to provide such information to the appropriate law enforcement authorities. The City Council set the amount of the City's contribution to the fund to be \$10,000.00.
- **Section 2.** On November 7, 2007, the City Council approved increasing the reward fund amount from \$10,000.00 to \$20,000.00 for the purpose of further encouraging persons having information regarding the identity and whereabouts of any person(s), whose willful misconduct resulted in the death of DeWayne Jackson to provide such information to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.
- Section 3. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 53069.5, on September 17, 2008, the City Council approved Resolution No. 08-113 that established a reward fund for the purpose of encouraging person(s) having information regarding the identity and whereabouts of any person(s), whose willful misconduct resulted in the death of Jahaira Keys to provide such information to the appropriate law enforcement authorities. The City Council set the amount of the City's contribution to the fund to be \$10,000.00.
- **Section 4.** In an effort to provide additional time to encourage person(s) having information regarding the identity and whereabouts of any person(s), whose willful misconduct resulted in the deaths of DeWayne Jackson and Jahaira Keys to provide such information to the appropriate law enforcement authorities, the terms of both reward funds are extended for additional five years, to expire on May 21, 2018.
- **Section 5.** All other sections of Resolution No. 02-009 and Resolution No. 08-113 that established both reward funds remain in full effect.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED th	nis day of May, 2013.

Mayor Jim Dear



ATTEST:
City Clerk Donesia L. Gause, CMC
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
City Attorney



#### CITY OF CARSON COUNCIL APPROVED REWARD FUNDS ACCOUNT NO. 01-21-999-043-6008

Victim's Name	Approval date	Expiration date	JL No.	Amount	Expired?
4 Chudi D. Mitaball	October 22, 1996	May 18, 2001		\$ 10,000	Yes
1 Shydi R. Mitchell	December 7, 1999	November 13, 2004		10,000	Yes
2 Sasha Mata		October 31, 2005	78000	5,000	Yes
3 Dominic J. Batiste	October 17, 2000	·			
4 Sai Tumuauatasi Foisia	November 8, 2000	November 30, 2005	78001	10,000	Yes
5 Dwayne Earl Jackson Jr.	January 8, 2002	January 8, 2007	78002	10,000	Yes
5a Dwayne Earl Jackson Jr increased	November 7, 2007	November 7, 2012	78002	10,000	Yes
6 David George Drew	April 2, 2002	April 1, 2007	78003	10,000	Yes
7 Nicole Williamson	December 19, 2003	December 19, 2008	78004	25,000	Yes
8 Brandon Williams	January 21, 2003	January 20, 2008	78005	5,000	Yes
9 Willie J. Pigram III	November 16, 2004	November 16, 2009	78006	25,000	Yes
10 Eduardo Roco and Esther Arteaga	November 8, 2006	November 8, 2011	78007	25,000	Yes
11 Ruben Camacho	October 29, 2007	October 29, 2012	78008	10,000	Yes
12 Bobby Smith	October 29, 2007	October 29, 2012	78009	10,000	Yes
13 Midi and Nathan Mikasa	January 15, 2008	January 15, 2013	78011	10,000	Yes
14 Jahaira Keys	September 17, 2008	September 17, 2013	78012	10,000	No
15 Tyrone Rouzan	December 15, 2009	December 15, 2014	78013	10,000	No
16 Dorian Holt	July 17, 2012	July 17, 2017	78014	25,000	No
16a Dorian Holt - increased	March 6, 2013	July 17, 2017	78014	25,000	No
17 Adrian Arochi	November 7, 2012	November 7, 2017	78015	10,000	No
18 David Flores, Jr.	December 18, 2012	December 18, 2017	78016	10,000	No
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Still active as of June 30, 2012

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