



**MINUTES  
CARSON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 11, 2010**

**6:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA POSTED: OCTOBER 7, 2010**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:04 P.M., by Mayor Dear in the Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

**ROLL CALL:** Chief Deputy City Clerk noted the following:

Council Members Present: Mayor Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Elito Santarina, and Council Member Julie Ruiz-Raber

Council Members Absent: Council Member Mike Gipson (Entered at 6:10 P.M.) and Council Member Lula Davis-Holmes (Entered at 6:11 P.M.)

Other Elected Officials Present: None

Other Elected Officials Absent: Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk  
Karen Avilla, City Treasurer

Also Present: William Wynder, City Attorney; Jerome Groomes, City Manager (Entered during Closed Session); Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager (Entered during Closed Session); Duane Munson, Human Resources Officer (Entered during Closed Session); Lisa Berglund, Senior Administrative Analyst; Zarah Cruz, Public Information Manager; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; Margie Revilla-Garcia, Public Information Analyst; Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk; and Joy Simarago, Deputy City Clerk

**CLOSED SESSION (Item 1)**

**ITEM NO. (1) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR: ALL GROUPS (EXCEPT CITY MANAGER AND UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES) (CITY MANAGER)**

This item was heard after Item No. 2.

**RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:**

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6, with the City Manager and Administrative Services General Manager, regarding labor negotiations with AME, Supervisors Association, Professional Association, AFSCME Local 809, ACE, and Unrepresented employees.

**ACTION:** This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**RECESS:** The City Council was Recessed at 7:27 P.M. by Mayor Dear to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's agenda.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council was Reconvened at 8:31 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present except Gipson and Davis-Holmes absent.

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:**

City Attorney Wynder provided the Closed Session report as follows:

(Council Member Gipson reentered the meeting at 8:31 P.M.)

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Conferred with its labor negotiators regarding ongoing labor negotiations with the various representative employee groups in the city. There was a privileged and confidential briefing on ongoing negotiations. Questions were asked and answered.

With respect to AFSCME Local 809, the City Council reached agreement in principle with this union subject to a ratification of the terms and conditions of an MOU by the members of the local and subject further to reducing the conceptual terms and conditions of an agreement to a written memorandum of understanding which was brought back at a future council meeting for action.

(Council Member Davis-Holmes reentered the meeting at 8:32 P.M.)

With respect to the coalition groups of representative employees, the City Council was given a privileged and confidential briefing on ongoing negotiations.

The City Council reached tentative consensus or agreement with respect to the coalition subject to ratification by members of the coalition and subject to further documentation in an appropriate memorandum of understanding for action by the City Council at a future council meeting. The decision with respect to the coalition unit was three Yes votes, with Council Members Davis-Holmes and Gipson voting No.

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### ORDINANCE SECOND READING (Item 2)

**ITEM NO. (2) ORDINANCE NO. 10-1459 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, (1) AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR PROJECT AREA NO. 1, THE MERGED AND AMENDED PROJECT AREA, AND PROJECT AREA NO. 4 TO MERGE THE RESPECTIVE PROJECT AREAS TO CREATE THE CARSON CONSOLIDATED PROJECT AREA, AND (2) APPROVING AN EXTENSION AND RE-INSTATEMENT OF AGENCY EMINENT DOMAIN AUTHORITY OVER NON-RESIDENTIALLY ZONED PROPERTIES, AND (3) ADDING ONE PROJECT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS LIST FOR PROJECT AREA NO. 1**

This item was heard before Item No. 1.

#### Public Comment

Miriam Vazquez stated that she disagreed with the eminent domain which would eventually affect the residential areas and that the people of Carson should be aware of what was going on in the city.

Mayor Dear announced that a prohibition on any eminent domain on residential property was included in the ordinance, therefore, no residential property would be subject to eminent domain.

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 10-1459 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 Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Gipson, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Ruiz-Raber  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**RECESS:** The City Council was Recessed at 6:17 P.M. by Mayor Dear to Ceremonial Presentations.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council was Reconvened at 7:26 P.M. by Mayor Dear with everyone previously noted present except Davis-Holmes absent.

Item No. 2 was heard at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:33 P.M. by Mayor Dear.

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Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

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City Clerk Helen Kawagoe