



**MINUTES  
CARSON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 16, 2010**

**5:00 P.M.**

**THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETINGS ARE  
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**AGENDA POSTED: NOVEMBER 12, 2010**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:14 P.M., by Mayor/Chairman Dear in the Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe called the roll:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Elito Santarina, Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Lula Davis-Holmes

Council/Agency Members Absent: Council/Agency Member Julie Ruiz-Raber

Other Elected Officials Present: Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk/Agency Secretary

Other Elected Officials Absent: Karen Avilla, City/Agency Treasurer

Also Present: William Wynder, City/Agency Attorney; and staff:

Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary

City/Agency Attorney Wynder presented the Closed Session items.

**Public Comments**

**Council Closed Session Item No. 1**

Dr. Rita Boggs, 21328 Island Avenue, Carson, California 90745, felt that the process ought to be discussed in open session. Whereupon, City/Agency Attorney Wynder clarified that the City Council would be briefed on the executive search only.

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

**ITEM NO. (1) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE (CITY MANAGER)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code § 54957, to consider the process of filling the position of City Manager.

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**ITEM NO. (2) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR: ALL GROUPS (EXCEPT CITY MANAGER AND UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES) (CITY MANAGER)**

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 and Redevelopment Agency were Recessed at 5:22 P.M., by Mayor/Chairman Dear to a Closed Session for the City Council only to discuss the items described on this evening's agenda.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Reconvened at 6:31 P.M., by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, except Ruiz-Raber absent.

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe noted the following:

Council/Agency Members Present: Mayor/Chairman Jim Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Elito Santarina, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes. And Council/Agency Member Mike Gipson

Council/Agency Members Absent: Council/Agency Member Julie Ruiz-Raber

Other Elected Officials Present: Helen Kawagoe, City Clerk/Agency Secretary, and Karen Avilla, City/Agency Treasurer

Other Elected Officials Absent: None

Also Present: Jerome Groomes, City Manager/Executive Director; William Wynder, City/ Agency Attorney; and staff:

Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager (Entered at 6:15 P.M.); Ray Cruz, Public Services General Manager; Clifford Graves, Economic Development General Manager; and Vic Rollinger, Development Services General Manager;

Farrokh Abolfathi, Principal Civil Engineer; Lisa Berglund, Senior Administrative Analyst; Zarah Cruz, Public Information Manager; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Duane Munson, Human Resources Officer; Saied Naaseh, Senior Planner; John Signo, Senior Planner; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary

Captain Bernice Abram, Carson Sheriff's Station

## **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

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

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

A privileged and confidential status report was provided. Questions were asked and answered. No reportable action was taken, nor was any solicited.

**Council Closed Session Item No.2**

A privileged and confidential status report on ongoing negotiations was provided. Questions were asked and answered. Since there were continued negotiations with respect to the Supervisors' Association, staff recommended that Item No. 5 be pulled from the New Business Consent Calendar with respect to the Supervisors' Association. No reportable action was taken, nor was any solicited.

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

**FLAG SALUTE:** Nathaniel "Nate" Riddick, Parks and Recreation Commissioner, led the Flag Salute.

**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 LAURIE LOGAN, FAMILY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN CENTER**

**RECESS:** The Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 6:37 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Item No. 3.

**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 (Item 3)**

**ITEM NO. (3) INTRODUCTION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES**

Captain Bernice Abram, Carson Sheriff's Station, introduced Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Kenji Mashiko. She provided a brief crime report and reported on today's "Coffee with the Captain." Upon inquiry, she responded to inquiries regarding the impact on the City of Carson by the creation of a Compton Police Department and the gang injunction imposed by City of Long Beach.

Council Member Davis-Holmes requested that Captain Abram telephone her to discuss the Park Enforcement Team.

**Item No. 16: CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER TO DIRECT CITY STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE A "SPHERE OF INFLUENCE" APPLICATION WITH THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION TO BRING AN AREA COMMONLY KNOWN AS "WEST CARSON" WITHIN THE CITY'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE (CITY MANAGER)**

After Item No. 3, Mayor Dear continued Item No. 16 to December 7, 2010, with no objections heard.

**RECONVENE:** The Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 6:53 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, except Ruiz-Raber absent, for Oral Communications – Members of the Public.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

**This is the appropriate time for members of the general public to address those matters under the jurisdiction of the Council/Agency, and not on the posted Agenda. Any person wishing to address the Council/Agency is requested to complete a Speaker Form, available on the podium in the Council Chambers. TESTIMONY WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, no action can be taken on these items, and there can be no discussion of the items, other than to place it on the agenda for a future meeting.**

This item was heard at 6:53 P.M.

**Nate Riddick, 2723 Monroe Street, Carson, California 90810**

Reported that the issue of citations issued by Code Enforcement for street sweeping was discussed at the homeowners' meeting. Whereupon, Mayor/Chairman Dear invited community members to attend the meeting of the Policy Sub-Committee.

**RECESS:** After Oral Communications – Members of the Public, the Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 6:58 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Item No. 9.

**Item No. 9: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 10-1460 REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNICATIONS) FACILITIES (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

At 6:59 P.M., Mayor Dear announced that Item No. 9 would be heard later this evening, at the request of staff, and advanced the City Council New Business Consent Calendar to be heard at this time, with no objections heard.

**NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 4-7)**

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 at 6:59 P.M.

Mayor Dear removed the following item for discussion:

**Item No. 5: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NOS. 10-119, 10-120, AND 10-121 APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRENT MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION, THE SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION, AND THE ASSOCIATION OF CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES, RESPECTIVELY, AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THOSE MOUS FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

It was moved to approve New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 4 and 6 on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**RECESS:** After approving the New Business Consent Calendar, at 7:01 P.M., the City Council was Recessed to the Redevelopment Agency by Mayor Dear, at the request of staff.

**RECONVENE:** After Agency Item No. 5, the City Council was Reconvened at 9:31 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present, except Ruiz-Raber absent, for Council Item No. 5.

**ITEM NO. (4) CONSIDER AN AWARD OF THE PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR FIVE FORD 2011 F150 PICKUP TRUCKS (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a contract in the amount of \$137,815.09 to Raceway Ford for the purchase of five 2011 4 x 2 Ford F150 pickup trucks with extended cab.
2. AUTHORIZE the Acting Purchasing Manager to dispose, through public auction, all of the vehicles that will be replaced.

**ACTION:** Item No. 4 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
**Noes:** None  
**Abstain:** None  
**Absent:** Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NOS. 10-119, 10-120, AND 10-121 APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRENT MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION, THE SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION, AND THE ASSOCIATION OF CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES, RESPECTIVELY, AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THOSE MOUS FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

Item No. 5 was heard at 9:31 P.M.

**RECOMMENDATION** for the City Council:

**TAKE** the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 10-119, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (RESOLUTION NO. 07-095) AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE MOU THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013."
2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 10-120, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION (RESOLUTION NO. 07-096) AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE MOU THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013."
3. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 10-121, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE ASSOCIATION OF CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES (RESOLUTION NO. 07-093) AND EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE MOU THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013."

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READINGS WAIVED, Resolution Nos. 10-119, 10-120, 10-121 were PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by titles only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO FUND A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE COMMERCIAL FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT LOCATED AT 930 AND 940 E. DOMINGUEZ STREET AND 20930 BONITA STREET (PROJECT AREA NO. 1 AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DESIGNATED AREA) (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AUTHORIZE the funding for a construction contract for a commercial façade improvement project located at 930 and 940 E. Dominguez Street and 20930 Bonita Street in the amount of \$57,500.00.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Façade Improvement Program Agreement between the city and the property owner following the funding approval and approved as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (7) THIS ITEM INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK**

**DEMANDS (Item 8)**

**ITEM NO. (8) RESOLUTION NO. 10-122 ALLOWING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,232,036.49, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 095593 THROUGH 095861**

Item No. 8 was heard after Item No. 5.

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 10-122 was PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by title only on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY (Item 9)**

**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. (9) PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 10-1460 REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNICATIONS) FACILITIES (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

This item was heard after the Agency New Business Consent Calendar at 7:19 P.M.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open **TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 10-1460 REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS (COMMUNICATIONS) FACILITIES.**

**City Clerk's Report**

City Clerk Kawagoe 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. One (1) written communication in support to the proposed amendment was received from Sean Scully, Principal, Planning & Permit Technologies, Inc., CalWA Board of Directors & Regulatory Committee Co-Chair, 800 S. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste. 448, Redondo Beach, California 90277, transmitting one letter from the California Wireless Association summarizing concerns with the proposed new wireless ordinance and a document entitled, "CalWA Annotated Comments-Carson WTF Ordinance -101010," containing detailed and specific comments on the proposed ordinance document itself.

Mayor Dear directed that all affidavits of notice be made part of the record.

**Staff Report**

John Signo, Senior Planner, summarized the staff report and recommendation.

**Administration of Oath**

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath, which was administered by City Clerk Kawagoe.

**Public Testimony**

The following persons, being previously sworn, testified before the City Council:

**Leslie Daigle, 1111 Bayside Drive, Ste. 222, Corona del Mar, California 92625, representing Verizon Wireless**

Discussed two areas of concern relative to undergrounding and placement in residential areas and wanted flexibility to be able to have access.

**Julian Quattlebaum, 207 E. Broadway, No. 201, Long Beach, California 90802, representing California Wireless Association**

Expressed general support with suggested modifications to afford greater flexibility to provide need infrastructure.

**Sean Scully, 4419 W. 233<sup>rd</sup> Street, Torrance, California 90505, Principal, Planning & Permit Technologies, Inc., CalWA Board of Directors & Regulatory Committee Co-Chair, 800 S. Pacific Coast Highway, Ste. 448, Redondo Beach, California 90277**

Expressed general support with minor edits and requested the opportunity to present a video presentation.

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

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. OPEN the Public Hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CLOSE the Public Hearing.
2. WAIVE further reading and INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 10-1460, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, INCLUDING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 9138.16 (WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES) OF DIVISION 8 (SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN USES) OF PART 3 (COMMERCIAL ZONES) OF CHAPTER 1 (ZONING) OF ARTICLE IX (PLANNING AND ZONING), AND AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 9151.1 (USES PERMITTED) OF DIVISION 1( USES PERMITTED) OF PART 5 (OPEN SPACE ZONE AND SPECIAL USES) OF CHAPTER 1 (ZONING) OF ARTICLE IX (PLANNING AND ZONING) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE."

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 10-1460, was INTRODUCED, as read by title only, on motion of Santarina, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
**Noes:** None  
**Abstain:** None  
**Absent:** Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**RECESS:** After Item No. 9, the City Council was Recessed at 8:07 P.M. by Mayor Dear at the request of staff.

**RECONVENE:** After Agency Item No. 5, the City Council was Reconvened at 9:31 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present, except Ruiz-Raber absent, for Council Item No. 5.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Items 10-11)**

**ITEM NO. (10) COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR DEAR (CITY CLERK)**

Item No. 10 was heard after Item No. 8.

**RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:**

1. Mayor Dear to CONSIDER, APPOINT, or REAPPOINT members to the Commissions, Committees, and Boards in accordance with Ordinance No. 04-1330, with the approval of a majority of the entire City Council present, including the Mayor, as listed on Exhibit No. 1:
  - Planning Commission (9)
  - Parks and Recreation Commission (7)
  - Environmental Commission (7)
  - Cultural Arts Commission (7)
  - Human Relations Commission (7)
    - Human Relations Commission-Youth (2)
  - Citywide Advisory Commission (7)
  - Economic Development Commission (11)
  - Mobilehome Park Rental Review Board (15)
    - At-Large Member (3)
    - At-Large Member (Alternate) (4)
    - Park Owner Member (2)
    - Park Owner Member (Alternate) (2)
    - Resident Homeowner Member (2)
    - Resident Homeowner Member (Alternate) (2) – **1 vacancy (Triangle Page 11)**
  - Public Relations Commission (7)
    - Community Representative (3)

- Public Relations Specialist (4)
- Public Works Commission (5)
- Public Safety Commission (7)
- Relocation Appeals Board (5)
- Women's Issues Commission (7)
- Senior Citizens Advisory Commission (11)
- Youth Commission (11)
- Veterans Affairs Commission (11)
- Beautification Committee (11)
- Utility Users' Tax Citizens Oversight Committee (24) – **1 vacancy – Triangle Page 19**
- Carson Historical Committee (9)

ACTION: Mayor Dear took the following actions:

**Mobile Home Park Rental Review Board (Resident Homeowner Member-Alternate)**

Mayor Dear appointed Raul Murga.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina,  
Noes: Council Member Davis-Holmes and Council Member Gipson  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (11) CONSIDERATION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REBATE PROGRAM (CITY TREASURER)**

Item No. 11 was heard after Item No. 10:

City Treasurer Avilla summarized the staff report and recommendation, corrected the report for Bank of America for the cities of Riverside and Pasadena, and read e-mail from Council Member Ruiz-Raber expressing her support of the City Treasurer's recommendation into the record

**Public Comments**

**Raul Murga, 21111 Dolores Street, No. 189, Carson, California 90745**

Referred to the staff report and applauded the leadership of Mayor Pro Tem Santarina and Council Member Ruiz-Raber and pointed out that Resolution No. 10-082 still bore the name of Commerce Bank, not Bank of America.

**Louis Cogut, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 50, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed his preference to do one or the other.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. AUTHORIZE the City Treasurer to proceed with implementing an electronic accounts payable rebate program utilizing the services of Bank of America, N.A.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Santarina, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

#### **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (Items 12-18)**

#### **ITEM NO. (12) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MULTICULTURAL, ACHIEVEMENT TECHNOLOGY, TEACHING, INNOVATIVE, EXPERIENCE, ACADEMY OF CHANGE, A CALIFORNIA CHARTER SCHOOL (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 12 was heard after Item No. 11.

City Attorney Wynder summarized the staff report and recommendation.

#### **Public Comments**

#### **Dr. Denice Price, 17710 Sycamore Street, Carson, California 90746**

Provided background comments and expressed support for the memorandum of understanding with the MATTIE Charter School.

#### **Eric McKee, 19217 Nestor Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed support for the memorandum of understanding with the MATTIE Charter School.

#### **Dr. Rita Boggs, 21328 Island Avenue, Carson, California 90745**

Referred to how students would be taught and felt that more information was needed.

#### **Marvin Clayton, 426 W. Carson Street, No. 6, Carson, California 90745, Executive Director, Apollo West Carson Players**

Expressed support for the memorandum of understanding with the MATTIE Charter School.

#### **Miriam Vazquez, 21413 Martin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Echoed the comments of Dr. Boggs.

#### **Roger Branch, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed support for the memorandum of understanding with the MATTIE Charter School.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (13) CONSIDERATION OF RENEWED LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY REGARDING MOBILEHOME PARK CONVERSION LEGISLATION (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 13 was heard after Item No. 12.

City Attorney Wynder corrected that the staff report was also on the agenda at the request of Mayor Pro Tem Santarina. He summarized the staff report and provided a brief update to the report and offered alternative staff recommendation Nos. 1 through 4 as his recommendation to the City Council. He clarified that a recommended lobbyist and contract would be brought back for approval by the City Council.

**Public Comments**

**Louis Cogut, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 50, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed his support for the legislative advocacy for mobile home park conversions.

**Raul Murga, 21111 Dolores Street, No. 189, Carson, California 90745**

Expressed his support in solidarity for the legislative advocacy for mobile home park conversions and commended City Manager Groomes on his exemplary work on behalf of the mobile home park residents.

Upon inquiry, City Attorney Wynder referred to the term of the agreement and corrected that it would commence with an effort to sample and get a sense of the Assembly and Senate and the extent of the support for corrective legislation through the conclusion of the legislative process; essentially, from January, 2011, through September or October, 2011. He reported that the final form of the contract will be brought back for formal action by the City Council and clarified that the City Council was not being asked to authorize staff to enter into a contract, but was being asked to authorize staff to negotiate an agreement

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: Mayor Dear referred to and corrected alternative staff recommendation No. 1 to read as follows:

“DIRECT the City Council Lobbying Firm Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Mayor Dear and Council Member Davis-Holmes) and staff to obtain a commitment from a legislator to sponsor a bill amending Government Code Section 66427.5 in 2011.”

Upon inquiry, City Attorney Wynder corrected alternative staff recommendation No. 2 to read as follows:

“AUTHORIZE staff to negotiate an agreement, in an amount not-to-exceed \$30,000.00, with an appropriate lobbying firm for legislative advocacy regarding mobile home park conversions. The term of this agreement **to commence in or about January, 2011, following approval of the contract by the City Council through the conclusion of the legislative process not-to-exceed October, 2011.**”

It was moved to approve the following alternative staff recommendations, as amended, on motion of Dear and seconded by Santarina:

1. DIRECT the City Council Lobbying Firm Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Mayor Dear and Council Member Davis-Holmes) and staff to obtain a commitment from a legislator to sponsor a bill amending Government Code Section 66427.5 in 2011.
2. AUTHORIZE staff to negotiate an agreement, in an amount not-to-exceed \$30,000.00, with an appropriate lobbying firm for legislative advocacy regarding mobile home park conversions. The term of this agreement will commence in or about January, 2011, following approval of the contract by the City Council through the conclusion of the legislative process not-to-exceed October, 2011.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute such agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
4. APPROPRIATE \$30,000.00 from the general fund balance account which has a balance of approximately \$18,000,000.00 to augment the amount currently available for legislative representation to cover the cost of the agreement.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (14) CONSIDERATION OF HOSTING STUDENT DELEGATION FROM SOKA, JAPAN IN SUMMER 2011 (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 14 was heard after Item No. 13

City Manager Groomes summarized the staff report and recommendation.

(Council Member Gipson exited and reentered the meeting at 10:29 P.M.)

**Public Comments**

**Marcelino Ines, 1112 E. Gladwick Street, Carson, California 90745, Chair, Carson Sister Cities Association**

Spoke in support to continue the student exchange program and host the Soka student delegation.

**Miriam Vazquez, 21413 Martin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Spoke in opposition to the program since the City has no money.

**Ronald Shimokaji, 1512 E. Carson Street, Sp. 135, Carson, California 90745**

Spoke in support to continue the student exchange program and host the Soka student delegation.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. DISCUSS and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: Mayor Dear referred to and discussed the actions of the City to reduce its expenditures, including employee furloughs, and moved to bring this item back to the City Council during the budget workshops for FY 2011/12 and encouraged the Sister Cities Association to seek out corporate, foundation, non-profit funding and should the Association raise funding for the project without taxpayers' money, that the City Council could consider an in-kind, no cash support for the project, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (15) CONSIDER PARTICIPATION IN THE 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. "KINGDOM DAY PARADE" SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2011, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 15 was heard after Item No. 14.

City Manager Groomes summarized the staff report and recommendation.

**Public Comments**

**Miriam Vazquez, 21413 Martin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Echoed the comments previously expressed by Mayor Dear that if the money can be raised, they can participate, but no taxpayer money.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. DISCUSS and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: It was moved to bring this item back to the City Council during the budget workshops for FY 2011/12; write a letter to the promoter asking him if he would be willing to allow the elected officials to enter the parade at no cost -- since Carson is the hometown of the promoter -- and if corporate support for funding is available for the City to be represented and, perhaps, the commissioners could be included on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (16) CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER TO DIRECT CITY STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FILE A "SPHERE OF INFLUENCE" APPLICATION WITH THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION TO BRING AN AREA COMMONLY KNOWN AS "WEST CARSON" WITHIN THE CITY'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE (CITY MANAGER)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction.

ACTION: At 6:52 P.M., after Item No. 3, Mayor Dear continued Item No. 16 to December 7, 2010, with no objections heard.

**ITEM NO. (17) FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO AN *AD HOC* COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS ISSUES RELATED TO THE OPENING OF SOUTH REGION HIGH SCHOOL NO. 4 (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 17 was heard after Item No. 15.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPOINT additional members to the *ad hoc* committee.

ACTION: Mayor Dear reported that he was waiting for recommendations from two principals that nominations were received from four Council Members.

Mayor Dear appointed the following individuals:

Dorothy Ross  
Earnest Jeff Jefferson  
Susan Price  
Ron Finley  
Roye Love

Brian Raber  
Kisa Fulbright  
Frances Cottrell

**Public Comments**

**Jenny Vazquez, 21413 Martin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Volunteered to be of the committee for the new school being built in Carson. Whereupon, Mayor Dear stated that he would take her suggestions under consideration.

It was moved to ratify the Mayor's appointments on motion of Dear, seconded by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**ITEM NO. (18) THIS ITEM INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK**

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (Item 19)**

**ITEM NO. (19) ORDINANCE NO. 10-1455 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 9141.1 AND SECTION 9146.7 OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REQUIREMENT FOR NEW AND CONVERTED ELECTRONIC DIGITAL DISPLAY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS**

Item No. 19 was heard after Item No. 17.

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Ordinance No. 10-1455 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 Dear, Mayor Pro Tem Santarina, and Council Member Davis-Holmes, and Council Member Gipson  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Council Member Ruiz-Raber

**RECONVENE:** After Item No. 19, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 10:54 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present, except Ruiz-Raber, for remaining Oral Communications.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS I (STAFF)**

City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe requested that this evening's meetings be adjourned in memory of the following persons:

### **Mayor/Chairman Dear**

Bert Tufele

Gladys Bloodworth, former teacher, Ambler Elementary School

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

John Davis, uncle of Council Member Davis-Holmes

Audrey Hall

Vernon Stephens

Louise, sister of Beverly James

Alicia Strawther

Renee Zola Mabry

### **City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe**

William Hohri, Japanese-American civil rights activist

### **City/Agency Treasurer Avilla**

Announced that the courts ruled in favor of the Scottsdale homeowners and that the 2010 election was valid and the board elected is the official board. She congratulated the homeowners and Attorney Fred Dorton.

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

### **Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Santarina**

Reported on his attendance at a community event and acknowledged and thanked the participants and volunteers.

### **Council/Agency Member Gipson**

Announced upcoming events of interest to the community and provided a brief report about the Haiti disaster.

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

Reported on her attendance at community events; thanked the participants and contributors; and announced upcoming events of interest to the community.

Raised an inquiry to City Manager Groomes regarding the Santa Sleigh program for children.

### **Mayor/Chairman Dear**

Reported on his attendance at community events and subsequently extended his wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving Day.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS**

**None**

**UNFINISHED/CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS      None**

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION              None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:13 P.M., by Mayor/Chairman Dear and in memory of the individuals requested this evening and Ruiz-Raber absent.

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Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

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City Clerk Helen Kawagoe