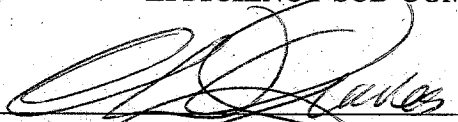





# City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

August 2, 2011  
New Business Consent

**SUBJECT: MEETING DISPOSITION: CITY COUNCIL BLUE RIBBON AND GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY SUB-COMMITTEE**

  
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## **I. SUMMARY**

The City Council Blue Ribbon and Government Efficiency Sub-Committee (Mayor Dear, Councilmember Santarina and Ex-officio Kawagoe) met on July 11, 2011. Attached for the City Council's information is a copy of the meeting disposition (Exhibit No. 1).

## **II. RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE and FILE.

## **III. ALTERNATIVES**

PROVIDE additional direction the City Council deems appropriate.

## **IV. BACKGROUND**

Mayor Dear had previously requested staff to provide further information on the budgeted items, which include newspaper and magazine subscriptions, elected officials' travel, Public Information Office publications, certificates, promotional items, and photographer services.

The sub-committee reviewed a report submitted by staff summarizing various expenses associated with elected officials' travel, subscriptions, the City photographer's contract, and the different tokens of recognition presented by the City Council. After discussion, the subcommittee agreed to staff's recommendation to cancel newspaper subscriptions for certain workgroups. The sub-committee also suggested an alternate format in travel reporting (Exhibit No. 2).

In addition, the sub-committee also directed staff to draft revisions to SMP 1.65: "Protocols for Requests and Presentations of Certificates, Proclamations, Plaques and Key to the City and Related Recognitions" for review at its next meeting.