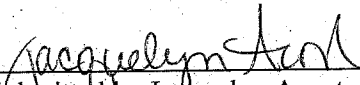





# City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

August 2, 2011  
New Business Discussion

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE COMPOSITION AND SCOPE OF THE UTILITY USERS TAX CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.**

  
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## **I. SUMMARY**

This item is on the agenda at the request of Mayor Dear. Over the past several months, there has been much difficulty trying to secure a quorum in order to have a meeting of the Utility Users Tax Citizens Oversight Committee (UUTCOC). There have also been a number of recent resignations. Staff has informed the Mayor of the difficulties that staff has been facing and has inquired as to the possibility of reducing the required quorum from 50% plus one, to 33%. In addition to the consideration of a quorum requirement change, in order to increase the transparency of the committee some other changes to the composition and scope are being proposed.

## **II. RECOMMENDATION**

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE a change in the required quorum from 50% plus one to 33%.
2. APPROVE a change in the name of the committee from the Utility Users Tax Citizens Oversight Committee to the Utility Users Tax Citizens Budget Oversight Committee.
3. APPROVE providing quarterly budget status reports to the committee after their submission to the City Council.
4. APPROVE the submission of committee recommendations to the Public Information Office.

## **III. ALTERNATIVES**

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

## **IV. BACKGROUND**

Ordinance No. 09-1423, which was approved by the voters on March 3, 2009, established a 2% utility users tax on gas and electricity use within the city of Carson (Exhibit No. 1). The ordinance also established an oversight committee.