





City of Carson

Report to Mayor and City Council

September 6, 2011
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF CARSON TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE VERA CARSON MOBILEHOME PARK TO PRESERVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CITY OF CARSON


Submitted by Clifford W. Graves
Economic Development General Manager


Approved by Clifford W. Graves
Interim City Manager

I. SUMMARY

The Vera Carson Mobilehome Park Resident Association has requested assistance from the city of Carson (City) to support its efforts in preserving affordable housing in the community. Assistance is currently needed in the form of a support letter to be submitted with the application for financing from the state's Mobilehome Park Resident Ownership Program (MPROP).

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the letter of support of the residents of the Vera Carson Mobilehome Park.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to sign the letter of support.

III. ALTERNATIVES

1. MODIFY and APPROVE the letter of support as the City Council deems necessary.
2. TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

Residents of the Vera Carson Mobilehome Park, located at 21811 Vera Street, Carson (Exhibit No. 1), seek to form a nonprofit California mutual benefit corporation in order to purchase the Vera Carson Mobilehome Park (Mobilehome Park) from the current owners. Purchasing the Mobilehome Park will give residents the ability to keep rents low. The residents will apply for financing assistance from the state's MPROP to purchase the Mobilehome Park. As part of the application process, the residents must show local support from the City.

A conversion to resident ownership compliments the City's efforts to provide affordable housing for the community, therefore, staff recommends approving the letter of support (Exhibit No. 2).

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Any future consideration for assistance is conditioned upon, among other things, approval of a formal proposal from the Mobilehome Park residents upon resolution of the stay order issued for Redevelopment Agencies by the California Supreme Court.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. EXHIBITS

1. Vicinity Map. (pg. 3)
2. Letter of Support. (pg. 4)

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Reviewed by:

City Clerk	City Treasurer
Administrative Services	Development Services
Economic Development Services	Public Services

Action taken by City Council

Date_____ Action_____

EXHIBIT NO. 1

Vicinity Map

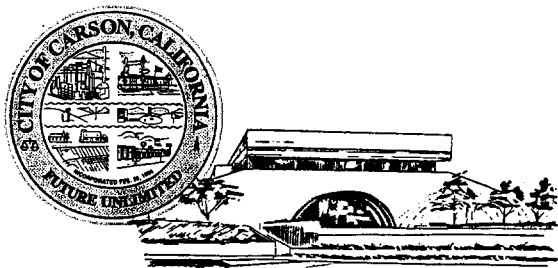


21811 Vera Street, Carson, CA

Vera Carson Mobilehome Park

EXHIBIT NO. - 1





OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
JIM DEAR

CITY OF CARSON

September 6, 2011

 **DRAFT**

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Vera Carson Residents' Association
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RE: Support letter for Vera Carson Mobilehome Park

To Whom It May Concern:

The city of Carson (City) and the Carson Redevelopment Agency (Agency) support the efforts of the residents of Vera Carson Mobilehome Park (Mobilehome Park), located at 21811 Vera Street, Carson, California, to form a nonprofit California mutual benefit corporation for the purchase of the Mobilehome Park from the current owners. This conversion to resident ownership will compliment the City's and Agency's desire to provide affordable, alternative, housing for the residents of the city of Carson.

Any future consideration is conditioned upon, among other things, approval of a formal proposal from the Mobilehome Park residents upon resolution of the stay order issued for Redevelopment Agencies by the California Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

Jim Dear
Mayor/Agency Chairman
City of Carson

cc: Benjamin Dudek

EXHIBIT NO. 2

