



**MINUTES  
CARSON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

**5:00 P.M.**

**THE CARSON CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETINGS ARE  
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**AGENDA POSTED: SEPTEMBER 1, 2011**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:15 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 noted the following:

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

Council/Agency Members Absent: None

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

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

Also Present: Clifford Graves, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director, 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

**CLOSED SESSION**

City/Agency Attorney Wynder presented the Closed Session item for the City Council.

**CLOSED SESSION (Item 1) 5:00 P.M. – 5:45 P.M.**

**ITEM NO. (1) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54957.6, with the Interim City Manager and the Administrative Services General Manager regarding labor negotiations with AFSCME, ACE, AME, and Professionals/Supervisors.

ACTION: This item was scheduled for Closed Session.

**RECESS:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Recessed at 5:15 P.M. by Mayor Chairman Dear to a Closed Session to discuss the items described on this evening's City Council agenda.

**RECONVENE:** The City Council and Redevelopment Agency were Reconvened at 6:18 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear with all members previously noted present.

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

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

Council/Agency Members Absent: None

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

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

Also Present:

Clifford Graves, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager; William Wynder, City/Agency Attorney; Sunny Soltani, Deputy City/Deputy Agency Attorney; and staff:

Jackie Acosta, Administrative Services General Manager; Ray Cruz, Public Services General Manager; and Vic Rollinger, Development Services General Manager;

Lisa Berglund, Principal Administrative Analyst; Trini Catbagan, Finance Officer; Zarah Cruz, Public Information Manager; Robert Eggleston, IT Manager; Uli Feesago, Public Works Superintendent (PT); Massoud Ghiam, Senior Civil Engineer;

Cedric Hicks, Recreation Superintendent; Gregory MacDonald, Tree Maintenance Supervisor; Gilbert Marquez, Senior Civil Engineer; Sheri Repp-Loadsman, Planning Officer; Glenn Turner, Computer Systems Support Technician; and Wanda Higaki, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Chief Deputy Agency Secretary

Interim Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station.

## **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

City/Agency Attorney Wynder provide the Closed Session Report as follows:

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

A privileged and confidential briefing was provided on ongoing negotiations; Questions were asked and answered. The item was continued until the arrival of the new City Manager. There was no reportable action nor was any solicited. All five members participated in the Closed Session.

### **Council Item Nos. 27 and 29**

Mayor/Chairman Dear advanced Item Nos. 27 and 29 to be heard before the New Business Consent Calendar, with no objections heard.

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

Council/Agency Member Gipson announced the birthday of City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe and led those present in singing the birthday song.

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

**FLAG SALUTE:** CITY CLERK/AGENCY SECRETARY HELEN KAWAGOE

**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 RONALD SMITH, TRUE WORKERS OF THE HOLY TRINITY HOUSE OF PRAYER**

**RECESS:** After the Invocation, the Redevelopment Agency was Recessed at 6:25 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the City Council for Approval of Council Minutes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2011</b>	<b>(REGULAR)</b>
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2011</b>	<b>(SPECIAL JOINT)</b>
<b>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011</b>	<b>(REGULAR)</b>
<b>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2011</b>	<b>(REGULAR)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2011</b>	<b>(ADJOURNED REGULAR)</b>
<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2011</b>	<b>(REGULAR)</b>
<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011</b>	<b>(SPECIAL JOINT)</b>
<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011</b>	<b>(REGULAR)</b>

The Minutes, as listed on this evening’s agenda, were Approved as Submitted on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

### **Introduction of City Manager David C. Biggs**

Mayor Dear introduced City Manager David C. Biggs and announced that a Welcome Reception would be held on September 26, 2011, at 9:00 A.M., Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center.

#### **A. INTRODUCTION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES**

Interim Captain Eddie Rivero, Carson Sheriff's Station, introduced Sergeant Mike Austin, Park Sergeant.

#### **B. A PRESENTATION FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**

Richard Takata, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer Pest Management Division, County of Los Angeles, and Korey Collins, Game Warden, California State Department of Fish and Game discussed the following items:

##### **Richard Takata, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer Pest Management Division**

Discussed the issues regarding coyotes in Carson; clarified that the City of Carson was not under the purview of the Agricultural Commission for coyote traffic services and that two companies could be referred to the City of Carson for such services; and provided informational tips for Carson residents.

##### **Korey Collins, Game Warden**

Reported that her agency works with Animal Control and its concern with public safety was when an attack on a human occurs.

**RECONVENE:** After Council Item No. B, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 7:01 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear, with all members previously noted present, 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 7:01 P.M.

**Stephanie Orosco**

Thanked Mayor Dear and the City Council for honoring the honoring the memory of her father John J. Montes.

**John Montes, Jr., 2030 W. 248<sup>th</sup> Street, Lomita, California 90717**

Thanked Mayor Dear and the City Council for honoring the honoring the memory of his father John J. Montes.

Mayor/Chairman Dear requested those present to observe a moment of silence for the persons in whose memories the City Council/Redevelopment Agency would be adjourning this evening.

**Mila Echalas Boyer, 228 W. Carson Street, Apt. 42, Carson, California 90745**

Discussed articles regarding the Carson City Manager David C. Biggs and extended words of welcome.

(Council/Agency Member Gipson exited and reentered the meeting at 7:06 P.M.)

**Moises "Jun" Aglipay, 322 W. 230<sup>th</sup> Street, Carson, California 90745**

Discussed the Festival of Philippine Arts and Culture and announced the upcoming event to be held on September 10-11, 2011, 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., Point Fermin Park, San Pedro, California.

**Romeo Bejo, 109 Pismo Drive, Carson, California 90745**

Spoke on behalf of the request of the ERB Foundation for continuous use by the Senior Coalition every third Monday of the month.

**Dorothy Dominguez, 1818 E. 214<sup>th</sup> Street, Carson, California 90745**

Discussed the senior services already available from Carson.

**Maciano Pasqua, 172 E. Javelin Street, Carson, California 90745**

Spoke on behalf of the request of the ERB Foundation for continuous use by the Senior Coalition every third Monday of the month.

**Mary Anne O'Neal, 16211 Visalia Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Acknowledged the leadership of Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves and offered words of appreciation.

**Tiny Cook, 17701 S. Avalon Boulevard, No. 197, Carson, California 90746**

Discussed the slow construction going on at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center.

**Anthony Hassan, 17918 Lysander Drive, Carson, California 90746**

Requested that information regarding the salaries paid to the elected officials and senior management staff be available in the Carson Report.

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

Welcomed City Manager David C. Biggs and expressed her appreciation to Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves.

**Reginald Fagan**

Referred to the community garden activity and discussed the TIMBUCTU Resource.

**RECESS (Council):**

After Oral Communications – Members of the Public, the City Council was Recessed at 7:38 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the Redevelopment Agency for Approval of Agency Minutes.

**RECONVENE (Council):**

After Approval of Agency Minutes, the City Council was Reconvened at 7:40 P.M. by Mayor Dear with all members previously noted present, for Item No. 27.

**RECONVENE (Agency):**

After Council Item No. 24, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 9:44 P.M. for a joint session with the City Council by Mayor/Chairman Dear, with all members previously noted present, for the Council/Agency New Business Consent Calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS CONSENT (Items 2-22)**

**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 in joint session at 9:44 P.M.

**Public Comments**

**Agency Item No. 3:**

**Gary Hamm, 145 Vista Avenue, No. 104, Pasadena, California 91107**

Expressed his support for economic benefits to city residents with a PLA.

**Tommy Faavae, 605 E. 221<sup>st</sup> Street, Carson, California 90745**

Requested consideration of a PLA.

**Council Item No. 13:**

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

Expressed her support for the residents of Vera Carson Mobile Estates.

**Alexander Maniscalco, 5760 Fleet Street, No. 110, Carlsbad, California 92008, Counsel for Vera-Carson Resident Association**

Expressed his support for the residents of Vera Carson Mobile Estates.

**Tom King, 21811 Vera Street, Sp. 71, Carson, California 90745**

Expressed his support for the residents of Vera Carson Mobile Estates and thanked the City Council.

**Council Item No. 4:**

**Harold Williams, 20113 Belshaw Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Offered comments in support of the staff recommendation.

**Council Item No. 17 (Heard after Item No. 13 at 10:15 P.M.):**

**Public Comments**

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

Offered general comments.

**Item No. 18 (Heard after Item No. 13 at 10:18 P.M.):**

**Public Comments**

**Mary Anne O'Neal, 16211 Visalia Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed her support for the staff recommendation.

It was moved to approve the City Council and Redevelopment Agency New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear and seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, the following items were removed for discussion:

**Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

Council Item No. 4: **CONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES PRESCRIPTION DISCOUNT CARD PROGRAM (CITY MANAGER)**

Council Item No. 18: **CONSIDER THE CARSON/DOMINGUEZ HILLS COMMUNITY WIND ENSEMBLE BE APPOINTED THE OFFICIAL BAND OF THE CITY OF CARSON (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

**Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes**

Agency Item No. 3: **CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NO. 1223: CARSON PARK MASTER PLAN (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

Agency Item No. 4: **CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VANIR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, INC. TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. 1223: CARSON PARK MASTER PLAN (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

Council Item No. 8: **MEETING DISPOSITION: CITY COUNCIL POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

**Council Item No. 12: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CARSON CIRCUIT FIXED ROUTE CHANGES TO ROUTE E (DEL AMO) AND ROUTE G (METRO BLUE LINE 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

**Council Item No. 14: CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT THE 2011 CALTRANS COMMUNITY-BASED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT TO CREATE A COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN OF BIKEWAYS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

The motion to approve Council New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, and 22 and Agency New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 1, 2, and 5 was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**RECESS:** After the New Business Consent Calendar, the City Council was Recessed at 10:25 P.M. by Mayor/Chairman Dear to the Redevelopment Agency to discuss Agency New Business Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3 and 4.

**ITEM NO. (2) CONSIDERATION OF MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT (CITY TREASURER)**

**THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH AGENCY ITEM NO. 1**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE.

**ACTION:** Item No. 2 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (3) CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NO. 1281: CITYWIDE ANNUAL OVERLAY PROGRAM, PLUS CIVIC CENTER PARKING LOTS; AND PROJECT NO. 1286: CITYWIDE**

**ANNUAL CONCRETE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

**THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM WITH AGENCY ITEM NO. 2**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a construction contract for Project No. 1281: Citywide Annual Overlay Program, plus civic center parking lots; and Project No. 1286: Citywide Annual Concrete Replacement Program in the amount of \$1,059,059.00, to the lowest responsible bidder, All American Asphalt, Inc.
2. AUTHORIZE the expenditure of a construction contingency, if necessary, in the amount not-to-exceed \$158,859.00 (15%) for change orders such as the removal and remediation of contaminated soil, substructure conflicts, and other unforeseen construction work that may be required to complete this project.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor / Agency Chairman to execute the construction contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney / Agency Counsel.
4. AUTHORIZE a material testing service agreement in the amount of \$14,948.00 to Hushmand Associates, Inc.

ACTION: Item No. 3 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (4) CONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES PRESCRIPTION DISCOUNT CARD PROGRAM (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 4 was heard after Agency Item No. 4.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber summarized the staff report and recommendation and read some of the background information.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. DIRECT staff to apply for the NLC Prescription Discount Card Program.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Ruiz-Raber and seconded by Gipson.

(Council Member Gipson exited the meeting at 12:23 A.M. and reentered the meeting at 12:25 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.)

During discussion of the motion, Council Member Santarina requested staff to review the minutes of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission because about three years ago, a similar presentation was made by a gentleman from Texas.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (5) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-112 TO SUPPORT THE STOP AND REMEMBER: 9/11 NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE (CITY MANAGER)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-112, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA TO SUPPORT THE STOP AND REMEMBER: 9/11 NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE."

ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (6) CONSIDERATION OF A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH CASTRO STUDIOS TO PROVIDE PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES TO THE CITY OF CARSON (CITY MANAGER)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the proposal process as defined by Carson Municipal Code Section 2610(a).

2. APPROVE a two-year contract extension with Castro Studios for providing photographic services to the city of Carson, in the amount of \$43,700.00 for the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013.

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Santarina

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (7) CONSIDERATION OF ST. PHILOMENA CATHOLIC CHURCH'S REQUEST FOR CARNIVAL PERMIT (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE St. Philomena Catholic Church's application for a carnival permit for Friday, September 16, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, September 17, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 18, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., contingent upon approvals being received from all inspecting agencies.

ACTION: Item No. 7 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Santarina

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (8) MEETING DISPOSITION: CITY COUNCIL POLICY SUB-COMMITTEE (ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

Item No. 8 was heard after Item No. 4 at 12:29 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Public Services General Manager Cruz discussed the background information.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the report.

ACTION: Mayor Dear ordered Item No. 8 to be received and filed with no objections heard.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber referred to the Summary section of the staff report and corrected the reference to Mayor Pro-Tem Santarina to Council Member Santarina.

**ITEM NO. (9) CONSIDERATION OF REVISING STANDARD MUNICIPAL PRACTICE NO. 8.1 RELATING TO STREET NAMES - PROCESSING AND SELECTION (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. SUSPEND Standard Municipal Practice No. 8.1 and REFER this matter to the Public Works Commission for review.

ACTION: Item No. 9 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Chairman Dear, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes, Council/Agency Member Gipson, and Council/Agency Member Santarina

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**ITEM NO. (10) CONSIDER AN AWARD OF A CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE TREE MAINTENANCE SERVICES (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AWARD a contract services agreement for tree maintenance services for the period September 6, 2011 through June 30, 2014, to West Coast Arborists, Inc., in the amount of \$343,128.00 for the first year, with subsequent years subject to Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases.
2. AUTHORIZE an additional annual expenditure up to \$16,870.00 (5%), if necessary, for additional unforeseen work which may occur due to rainfall, high wind conditions or other urgent or emergency conditions as they occur.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract services agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 10 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (11) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND ESTIMATES AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR PROJECT NO. 954: MEDIAN IRRIGATION SYSTEM AND LANDSCAPING UPGRADE PHASE II, DEL AMO BOULEVARD FROM AVALON BOULEVARD TO WILMINGTON AVENUE (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE the plans, specifications, and estimates and order the work for Project No. 954: Median Irrigation System and Landscaping Upgrade Phase II, Del Amo Boulevard from Avalon Boulevard to Wilmington Avenue.
2. AUTHORIZE staff to advertise the work and call for construction bids for Project No. 954: Median Irrigation System and Landscaping Upgrade Phase II, Del Amo Boulevard from Avalon Boulevard to Wilmington Avenue.

ACTION: Item No. 11 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (12) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CARSON CIRCUIT FIXED ROUTE CHANGES TO ROUTE E (DEL AMO) AND ROUTE G (METRO BLUE LINE 2) (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

Item No. 12 was heard after Item No. 8 at 12:33 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

Upon inquiry, Acting Transportation Supervisor Meni reported that the public would be notified about the route changes via flyers on the buses and that a 20-35 days' notice would be provided.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE the recommended changes to the Carson Circuit Route E (Del Amo) and Route G (Metro Blue Line 2).

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

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

**ITEM NO. (13) 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 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

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.

ACTION: Item No. 13 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (14) CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT THE 2011 CALTRANS COMMUNITY-BASED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT TO CREATE A COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN OF BIKEWAYS (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

Item No. 14 was heard after Item No. 12 at 12:38 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. ACCEPT the amount of \$90,000.00 from the California Department of Transportation Community-Based Transportation Planning Grant program.

2. APPROVE the increase in the FY 2011/12 revenue projection by \$90,000.00 in the State Local Transportation Grant Fund, account no. 28-00-999-889 4516/0132101.
3. APPROVE the increase in the FY 2011/12 appropriations in the State Local Transportation Grant Fund, account no. 28-70-500-889 xxxx/0132101.

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve staff recommendation Nos. 1, 2, and 3 on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (15) CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO BUSINESS SEATS OF THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE the appointments of Jeffrey Jennison, Dobard, and Michelle Olson to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

**ACTION:** Item No. 15 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (16) CONSIDER UPDATE OF THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (LA-RICS) (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. RECEIVE and FILE report.

**ACTION:** Item No. 16 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (17) CONSIDER STAFF'S REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD TO EXCLUSIVELY NEGOTIATE WITH JAY'S CATERING TO DEVELOP A CATERING CONTRACT FOR THE CONGRESSWOMAN JUANITA MILLENDER-MCDONALD COMMUNITY CENTER (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE staff's request to extend the negotiation period to October 21, 2011, for City officials and Jay's Catering to negotiate a catering contract for the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center.

ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (18) CONSIDER THE CARSON/DOMINGUEZ HILLS COMMUNITY WIND ENSEMBLE BE APPOINTED THE OFFICIAL BAND OF THE CITY OF CARSON (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

Item No. 18 was heard after Item No. 14, at 12:40 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPOINT the Carson/Dominguez Hills Community Wind Ensemble as the official band of the city of Carson.

ACTION: Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber thanked former Council Member O'Neal and moved to approve the staff recommendation, which was seconded by Gipson.

During discussion of the motion, Council Member Davis-Holmes announced that the Carson/Dominguez Hills Community Wind Ensemble would be performing on October 1, 2011, at Anderson Park during the Jazz Festival.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (19) CONSIDER APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CONTRACT TO INCREASE THE PARK ENFORCEMENT TEAM'S PRESENCE (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROPRIATE \$100,000.00 from the Administrative Tow Fee Fund to account no. 62-90-900-139-6005 to augment the Sheriff's Department's Park Enforcement Team.

ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (20) CONSIDER APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH CENTRAL PARKING SYSTEM, INC. FOR BUILDING SECURITY SERVICES (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. APPROVE a one-year contract extension of the agreement with Central Parking System, Inc., to provide building security services for the city of Carson from February 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012, at a cost of \$70,346.00.

ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (21) CONSIDER ACCEPTING THE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE one of the following actions:

1. ACCEPT the \$28,000.00 grant from the South Bay Center for Counseling for the Family Support Program.
2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Family Support Program contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (22) CONSIDER ACCEPTING THE PREVENTION INITIATIVE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT GRANT FROM THE SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Prevention Initiative Demonstration Project contract following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
2. INCREASE the FY 2011/12 revenue projection in the Family Support Grant Fund by \$9,000.00.
3. APPROPRIATE \$9,000.00 to account no. 10-90-999-609 to be used to fund the activities of this program.

ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on the New Business Consent Calendar on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**RECONVENE:** After Agency Item No. 7, the City Council was Reconvened at 10:44 P.M. by Mayor Dear, with all members previously noted present, for Item No. 23.

**DEMANDS (Item 23)**

**ITEM NO. (23) RESOLUTION NO. 11-111 ALLOWING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,736,707.34, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 100018 THROUGH 100620**

Item No. 23 was heard after Agency Item No. 7 at 10:44 P.M.

**ACTION:** WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, Resolution No. 11-111 was PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by title only, on motion of Dear, seconded by Davis-Holmes and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY (Item 24)**

**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. (24) PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 11-1466 APPROVING THE ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 164-11 AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE NORTHWEST AREA OF THE CITY (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

Item No. 24 was heard after Item No. 29 at 9:27 P.M.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open **TO CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 11-1466 APPROVING THE ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 164-11 AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE NORTHWEST AREA OF THE CITY.**

**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 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. No written communications were received. She, subsequently, amended her report and announced that 42 notices were mailed to all property owners and occupants within a 500-foot radius of the proposed use as listed on the last equalized assessment roll of the County of Los Angeles or as known to the City Clerk.

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

**Staff Report**

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Planning Officer Repp-Loadsman referred to the staff report and clarified that more than one property was involved and provided examples of potential businesses.

**Administration of Oath**

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath. There being no 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. 11-1466, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE CASE NO. 164-11 AFFECTING CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE NORTHWEST AREA OF THE CITY BY CHANGING THEIR EXISTING ZONING DESIGNATION OF ML (MANUFACTURING, LIGHT) TO ML-D (MANUFACTURING, LIGHT - DESIGN OVERLAY)."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READING WAIVED, it was moved to INTRODUCE Ordinance No. 11-1466, as read by title only, on motion of Ruiz-Raber and seconded by Gipson.

**Public Hearing Reopened**

Mayor Dear reopened the Public Hearing to take public testimony, with no objections heard.

**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**

**Granerson Ford, 18821 Eddington Drive, Carson, California 90746**

Expressed concern regarding the design and regulatory agencies.

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

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Items 25-26)**

**ITEM NO. (25) COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR DEAR (CITY CLERK)**

Item No. 25 was heard after Item No. 23 at 10:45 P.M.

RECOMMENDATION for the Mayor:

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.

ACTION: Mayor Dear took the following actions:

**Planning Commission**

Mayor Dear removed and appointed Harold Williams from the Beautification Committee to the Planning Commission.

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

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

**Economic Development Commission**

Mayor Dear appointed Larry Saward.

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

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

**Public Relations Commission**

Mayor Dear referred to the date appointed and term expiration dates for Public Relations Specialist Sandra Wortham and corrected the dates to August 2, 2011 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

**ITEM NO. (26) CONSIDERATION OF CITY-AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS (CITY CLERK)**

Item No. 26 was heard after Item No. 25 at 10:51 P.M.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. REAFFIRM, RE-DESIGNATE and/or DESIGNATE delegates and alternates to the City-Affiliated Organizations listed on Exhibit No. 1, respectively.

ACTION: Mayor Dear took the following action:

**County of Los Angeles Public Library - Library Commission**

Mayor Dear designated Council Member Gipson as Alternate Member.

It was moved to confirm the Mayor's designation on motion of Dear, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION (Items 27-29)**

**ITEM NO. (27) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-109 AND RESOLUTION NO. 11-110, ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS OF NECESSITY FOR PROJECT NO. 919: WILMINGTON AVENUE INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION AT THE I-405 FREEWAY (CITY MANAGER)**

Item No. 27 was heard after the Approval of Agency Minutes at 7:40 P.M.

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized the staff report and recommendation.

Deputy City Attorney Soltani reported on the findings.

Upon inquiry by City Clerk Kawagoe, City Attorney Wynder clarified that this item could be heard as a Public Hearing since it was noticed as a hearing.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Dear declared the Public Hearing open for **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-109 AND RESOLUTION NO. 11-110, ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS OF NECESSITY FOR PROJECT NO. 919: WILMINGTON AVENUE INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION AT THE I-405 FREEWAY.**

**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 notice to the property owners, Macland Investments, Inc., c/o Moti Lal Balyan, 5960 Canoga Avenue, Woodland Hills, California 91367, and Tesoro South Coast Company, LLC, c/o Collin Foutz, 5230 Las Virgenes Road, Ste. 200, Calabasas, California 91302, via U.S. Mail and confirmed by staff; 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. No written communications were received.

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

**Staff Report**

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized the staff report and recommendation.

**Administration of Oath**

Mayor Dear requested that all persons wishing to testify to stand and take the Oath.

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

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-109; "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THAT PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE ACQUISITION OF FEE INTERESTS AND A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT IN A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 7315-040-011."

2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-110; "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE ACQUISITION OF FEE INTERESTS AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT IN A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 7315-040-001."

ACTION: WITH FURTHER READINGS WAIVED, Resolution Nos. 11-109 and 11-110 were PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED, as read by titles only, on motion of Santarina and seconded by Davis-Holmes.

During discussion of the motion, Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber discussed impact on businesses.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**ITEM NO. (28) CONSIDER APPROVING THE FEE WAIVER REQUEST BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND THE YOUTH COMMISSION FOR THE RENTAL OF CITY EQUIPMENT FOR A HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

Item No. 28 was heard after Item No. 26 at 10:52 P.M.

Public Services General Manager Cruz summarized the staff report and recommendation. Upon inquiry, he clarified that that event would be a carnival event with stage entertainment and rides.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER the City Council Policy Sub-Committee's recommendation to approve the fee waiver request of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Youth Commission in the revised amount of \$1,100.00 for the rental of city equipment for their Halloween Carnival.

ACTION: It was moved to approve the staff recommendation on motion of Davis-Holmes and seconded by Santarina.

During discussion of the motion, and upon inquiry, Public Services General Manager Cruz informed the City Council that he would look into providing something for free for the children, such as, tickets as door prizes and free candy.

Mayor Dear suggested that perhaps the seven (7) elected officials could assist and make donations.

The motion was unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

(Council Member Gipson exited the meeting at 11:01 P.M.)

**ITEM NO. (29) CONSIDER A FEE WAIVER EXTENSION FOR USE OF THE CARSON DOMINGUEZ ROOM AT THE CONGRESSWOMAN JUANITA MILLENDER-MCDONALD COMMUNITY CENTER FOR DR. JENNY BATONGMALAQUE'S TOWN HALL MEETINGS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

Item No. 29 was heard after Item No. 27 at 7:54 P.M.

Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves summarized staff report and recommendation.

**Public Comments**

**Dorothy Dominguez**

Referred to and discussed the duplication of services and expressed her opposition for the fee waiver extension.

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

Reported the availability of an alternate site and expressed her opposition for the fee waiver extension.

**Mila Echalas Boyer, 228 W. Carson Street, Apt. 42, Carson, California 90745**

Expressed her support for the ERB Foundation for all the people in Carson, not just Filipinos, and the fulfillment of a vision.

**Council Member Davis-Holmes**

Reported that the town hall meetings held by Council Member Gipson and she were held at their expense; her fee waiver request for the Jazz Festival was denied; expressed her desire for a consistent fee waiver policy and recommended that fee waiver requests be heard by the Subcommittee or Senior Citizens Advisory Commission.

**Council Member Santarina**

Clarified that the fee waiver requested was for senior citizens to use as a coalition meeting and to extend services and asked to hear from staff regarding the ethnic detail of participants. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that the City did not maintain attendance records and that food bank participants were invited to attend meetings.

**Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber**

Stated that she would support the request and wanted to see the Senior Commission join with the ERB Foundation.

**Council Member Gipson**

Referred to the process of fee waiver requests and requested a consistent policy across-the board.

**Public Comments**

**Mary Anne O'Neal, 16211 Visalia Avenue, Carson, California 90746**

Inquired whether the ERB Foundation was working with the City's Social Services Department.

**Mayor Dear**

Expressed his support for the request.

RECOMMENDATION for the City Council:

1. CONSIDER and PROVIDE direction to staff.

ACTION: It was moved to end debate on motion of Dear, seconded by Ruiz-Raber and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**Motion**

It was moved to approve alternative staff recommendation No. 1 to approve the fee waiver request for the use of the Carson Dominguez Room for all twelve town hall meetings that will take place monthly from September 2011 through August 2012, on motion of Dear and seconded by Santarina.

**Substitute Motion**

Council Member Davis-Holmes offered a substitute motion to approve the request as written with the caveat that the Mayor will seek donations to offset the cost, seconded by Gipson and subsequently accepted as a friendly amendment, with no objections heard.

A discussion ensued regarding the following issues:

Identify the hard cost to waive the fees at the Carson Dominguez Room.

The Senior Recreation Ukulele Group has been moved from the Adult Activity Room, normally rented to the public (\$2,100.00).

Impact of the waiver and value of space or equipment rented.

Council Member Gipson discussed staff costs associated with an activity; whereupon he reported that his microphone and the microphone of Council Member Davis-Holmes were muted tonight.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber suggested that staff make a change in the event when someone wanted to rent the room and, subsequently, requested that the ERB Foundation use paper, not linen, napkins. Whereupon, Mayor Dear accepted the suggestions from Council Member Davis-Holmes and Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber as friendly amendments to the motion.

During discussion of the amended motion, the following issues were discussed:

**Council Member Davis-Holmes**

Inquired whether hard costs were being waived and referred to the hard costs and cost of linens and noted that there was no breakdown for staff, labor, and equipment.

**Council Member Santarina**

Wanted sufficient notification time to the ERB Foundation regarding potential renters. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that staff would work with the ERB Foundation for another room.

**Restated Amended Motion**

Mayor Dear restated the amended motion to approve alternative staff recommendation No. 1 to approve the fee waiver request for the use of the Carson Dominguez Room for all twelve town hall meetings that will take place monthly from September 2011 through August 2012; amended by Council Member Davis-Holmes to incorporate the hard costs and recapture costs to use the room; and amended by Mayor Pro Tem Ruiz-Raber to notify the ERB Foundation at least two weeks in advance if there is a renter, which was accepted by Santarina and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**RECESS (Council):**

After Item No. 29, the City Council was Recessed at 8:52 P.M. by Mayor Dear at the request of staff.

**RECONVENE (Council):**

The City Council was Reconvened at 9:26 P.M. by Mayor Dear, with all members previously noted present, for Item No. 24.

**RECONVENE (Agency):**

After Council Item No. 18, the Redevelopment Agency was Reconvened at 12:42 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, for a joint session by Mayor/Chairman Dear, with all members previously noted present, for remaining Oral Communications.

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING: (None)**

## **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**

John Montes, Sr.  
Richard E. "Dick" Floyd  
Richard Rosas, Sr.  
Geraldine Wilkins

#### **Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

Vincent C. Serrato  
Audrey Watkins  
Larry Charles Rolland, neighbor of Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber  
Theodora Carbarles, aunt of the daughter-in-law of Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber  
Johnny Pueliu, best friend of the son of Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber  
Beverly Stillson, employee of Farmers Brothers, Human Resources

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

Ruth Helen Sims-Moss, mother of Judy Matthews  
Larry Charles Rolland, father-in-law of a sorority sister  
Virgilio David, brother-in-law of Oscar Ramos, and subsequently requested that the memorial adjournment certificate be framed prior to mailing to the David Family.

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

Hayward Alexander, father-in-law of Council/Agency Member Gipson, and subsequently expressed words of appreciation for the expressions of sympathy over the loss of three members of his family.  
Walter Backstrom, uncle of Martine Ellis, Public Services Workgroup, and a mentor to Council/Agency Member Gipson  
Helen Varnado  
Virgilio David, brother-in-law of Oscar Ramos

#### **Council/Agency Member Santarina**

Tuitavate Salausa, husband of Selma Salausa, former employee, City Clerk's Office

#### **Administrative Services General Manager Acosta**

Aquileo Reyes, father of Berni Swerissen, Administrative Services Workgroup

#### **Public Services General Manager Cruz**

Eric Middleton, USC classmate of Public Services General Manager Cruz and founding partner of Alliance Resource Consulting

City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe referred to the event at Carnegie Middle School and commended Tom Safran and employees for doing an outstanding clean-up and paint job and reported that the following communications from residents, two of whom had left the meeting earlier:

A resident had reported that trees were overgrown and leaves were causing a mess at 20027 Earlie Avenue, and the East/West Signals were not in sync at the intersection of Del Amo/Avalon.

Donaldo Reed, 1145 E. Renton Street, Carson, California 90745, requested the consideration of having big screen movies in the park for family entertainment.

Granerson Ford, 18821 Eddington Drive, Carson, California 90746, raised a general inquiry whether he would be able to use a room for free if it were filled with seniors.

**City/Agency Treasurer Avilla**

Reported that Bonita Tate, mother of Aja Tate, had requested an accounting of the funds and provided an oral report to be provided to Mrs. Tate.

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

**Mayor/Chairman Dear**

Reported on his attendance at community events, acknowledged those who were in attendance; and announced upcoming events of community interest. He announced that Tesoro Refining Company, located in Carson and Los Angeles, would like to purchase electricity from Edison Company, not Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and would be paying a 2% utility users' tax to the City of Carson versus 5% to the City of Los Angeles and requested that Administrative Services General Manager Acosta provide a report on the amount of money would be coming into the City of Carson.

Announced that a tour of the Sculpture Garden in the City of Cerritos has been scheduled for September 26, 2011. A discussion ensued regarding the Brown Act requirements, and City Clerk/Agency Secretary Kawagoe recommended that the City Council adjourn from its meeting on September 20, 2011, to an adjourned regular meeting, which was accepted with no objections heard.

Announced that the Leadership Conference would be held on September 17, 2011, and City Attorney Bill Wynder would be presenting AB 1234 Ethics Training.

**Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes**

Reported on her attendance at community events, acknowledged those who were in attendance; and announced upcoming events of community interest, including the Jazz Festival to be held on October 1, 2011, at Anderson Park.

Provided a status report on the Floodplain Maps Moratorium Act and acknowledged Congresswomen Laura Richardson and Maxine Waters and announced that Congresswoman Richardson would discuss the five-year moratorium, including repair of the levees, at an upcoming town hall meeting in October.

Provided a status report on her meetings with staff from Southern California Edison Company relative to the power outages experienced by the Carson community and announced that the Public Utilities Commission

has intervened and gave Edison Company thirty days to provide recommendations to correct problems and a town hall meeting would be held to discuss the recommendations from Edison Company.

Provided a status report on the town hall meeting held by ABC Channel 7 News.

**Council/Agency Member Santarina**

Reported on his attendance at community events, acknowledged those who were in attendance; and commended the sponsors.

**Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

Reported on her attendance at community events, acknowledged those who were in attendance; and announced upcoming events of community interest, including the Friends of the Library Book Sale to be held at the Carson Regional Library, on Thursday, September 15, 2011, and Saturday, September 17, 2011, and the Mexican Independence Day Celebration to be held on September 17, at the South Bay Pavilion.

Thanked ABC Channel 7 News for its outreach to the City of Carson.

**Council/Agency Member Gipson**

Reported on his attendance at community events, acknowledged those who were in attendance; commended the sponsors; and announced upcoming events of community interest, including the West Los Angeles AIDS Walk on October 16, 2011, to advocate awareness.

Informed Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves regarding the pending closure of Victoria Park Pool and that residents want to assist in efforts to preserve the facility.

Reported to Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves that four lights were burned out on Bitterlake in the Stevenson Park area of Carson.

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

This item was heard at 1:35 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011.

- A. **COUNCILMEMBER SANTARINA REQUESTS STAFF RESEARCH THE FEASIBILITY OF SCHEDULING E-WASTE COLLECTIONS ONCE A MONTH FOR THE RESIDENTS OF CARSON AND HOW SUCH A PROGRAM COULD POSSIBLY PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE CITY**
- B. **COUNCILMEMBER SANTARINA REQUESTS AMENDING THE MARKETING FOR THE "DRUG FREE CITY" HOTLINE TO INCLUDE "HUMAN TRAFFICKING FREE CITY" TO ALLOW FOR REPORTABLE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ISSUES IN CARSON**
- C. **COUNCILMEMBER GIPSON REQUESTS CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON SUPPORTING H. RES. 348: CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS "FOR THE PEOPLE" JOBS INITIATIVE RESOLUTION (CLEAVER)**

**ACTION:** It was moved to approve Item Nos. A, B, and C for the meeting on September 20, 2011, on motion of Dear, seconded by Gipson and unanimously carried by the following vote:

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

**Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes**

Requested reconsideration of the request for waiver of fees for the use of Anderson Park and equipment for the Jazz Festival.

A discussion ensued regarding the process to add items to future agendas and the policy for the Policy Sub-Committee to review requests for fee waivers. Whereupon, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes clarified that since the Jazz Festival was scheduled to be held on October 1, 2011, she requested consideration by the City Council at its next meeting and handled in the same manner as the request for fee waiver of the use of the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center by the ERB Foundation.

Mayor/Chairman Dear reported that the Policy Sub-Committee could meet quickly; whereupon, Council/Agency Member Davis-Holmes agreed to the review by the Policy Sub-Committee if it would meet before the next City Council meeting on September 20, 2011.

**Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairman Ruiz-Raber**

Referred to her request for Gardena City Council Member Dan Medina to attend a City Council meeting to discuss surveillance cameras and inquired whether a vote was taken. Whereupon, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves reported that a representative from the Gardena Police Department would be providing the presentation.

Requested that an item to declare the City of Carson as a violence-free city be placed on the next agenda for future consideration.

Reported that two tires and a couch were dumped into the flood control channel near Walnut Mini-Park and raised an inquiry to Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director/Economic Development General Manager Graves on the process to clean up the collection of debris.

**UNFINISHED/CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (None)**

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (None)**

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 1:43 A.M., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, by Mayor/Chairman Dear and in memory of the individuals requested this evening and to an adjourned regular joint meeting of the City Council and Redevelopment Agency to be held on September 17, 2011, at 8:00 A.M., in Carson Dominguez Room, Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center, located at 801 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

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Mayor Jim Dear

ATTEST:

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City Clerk Helen Kawagoe