



**CITY OF CARSON**

**MINUTES**

**CARSON CITY COUNCIL/  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026, 5:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER: CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY (5:00 pm)**

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The meeting was called to order at 5:02 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes in the Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745.

**ROLL CALL (CITY CLERK)**

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City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw noted the roll:

**Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Present:**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes  
Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Cedric Hicks, Sr.  
Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jim Dear  
Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Jawane Hilton  
Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Arleen Rojas

**Also Present:**

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; Sunny Soltani, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; Matt Cohen, Assistant City Attorney; David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager; Dr. Robert Lennox, Assistant City Manager; John Raymond, Executive Director; Michael Whittiker, Jr., Director of Community Services; Dr. Arlington Rodgers, Jr., Director of Public Works; Nora Garcia, Director of Public Safety and Emergency Management; William Jefferson, Director of Finance; Joshua Boudreaux, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management; Thomas Toman, Deputy City Manager; Armine Chaparyan, Deputy City Manager; Nathan Freeman, Director of Community and Economic Development; Michael George, Government Affairs Officer; Reata Kulcsar, Energy and Sustainability Officer; and Kourtney Cullors, Chief Deputy City Clerk

**FLAG SALUTE**

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Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION (Item 1)**

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**1. ELDER FUA'NUU LEA'EA FROM HARBOR COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD**

Elder Fua'nuu Lea'ea gave the invocation.

**CLOSED SESSION (Items 2-3)**

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**2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which the City of Carson is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Isaias Pulido v. City of Carson, et al (Case No. 24STCV14430); Isaias Pulido v. City of Carson (WCABNO: ADJ18022950).

**ACTION: No reportable action was taken.**

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) or (d)(3) and (e)(1), because there is a significant exposure to litigation in two cases.

**ACTION: No reportable action was taken.**

**3A. ADDED SUBSEQUENT NEED ITEM - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) or (d)(3) and (e)(1), because there is a significant exposure to litigation in one case.

**ACTION: No reportable action was taken.**

**REPORT ON ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY CLERK)**

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None.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY ATTORNEY)**

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Assistant City/Agency/Authority Attorney Matt Cohen announced the Closed Session items. He requested to add a subsequent need Closed Session item which arose after the posting of the agenda and cannot wait until the next session. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) or (d)(3) and (e)(1) because there is a significant exposure to litigation in one case.

**Motion to add subsequent need Item No. 3A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation to the agenda submitted by Mayor Pro Tempore Hicks, Sr. seconded by Council Member Dear resulting in 5-0-0-0**

**RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION UNTIL 6:00 P.M. OR UNTIL THE END OF CLOSED SESSION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST**

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The meeting was recessed at 5:06 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

**2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)**

**RULES OF DECORUM:**

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A recording of the Rules of Decorum was presented at the beginning of the meeting.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:00 P.M. OR AT THE END OF CLOSED SESSION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST**

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The meeting was reconvened at 6:07 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes with all members previously noted present.

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS (CITY ATTORNEY)**

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Assistant City/Agency/Authority Attorney Matt Cohen gave the Closed Session Report.

## **INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR) (Items 4-5)**

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### **4. REPORT FROM CAPTAIN NORMAN OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION- 6:08 PM**

Captain Norman introduced the Carson Parks Enforcement Team - Deputy Zuniga, Deputy Sweeney, Deputy Hoguain, Sergeant Smith, Deputy Lang, and Deputy Breseda.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear offered comments regarding the Carson Parks Enforcement Team.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas invited the Carson Parks Enforcement Team to the Philippine Independence Day Celebration, Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 7:30 A.M.

Captain Norman summarized the recent law enforcement activities. She made two public safety announcements regarding e-bikes reminding residents and juveniles to be safe riding on e-bikes. There have been a series of chain snatches alerting elders and families and reminded everyone to be aware of their surroundings. She gave a crime report.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. asked about e-bikes. Beach cities put together ordinances about e-bikes and electric scooters and there is language that already exists that Carson can utilize.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked if there is something the city can do as far as an ordinance to assist with the enforcement of e-bikes. Captain Norman stated that an ordinance would be helpful because e-bikes go beyond the existing vehicle codes.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton expressed his concerns about the recent theft of the man whose jewelry was stolen on Turmont Street. Captain Norman shared that they have been in contact with the family consistently. It is an ongoing investigation and additional conversation can be shared about the case offline.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas thanked the community who has Ring cameras for all the footage that assisted with the jewelry theft on Turmont Street. She followed up on her request for the number of citations issued regarding e-bikes and e-scooters. Captain Norman responded to her request.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton exited the meeting at 6:30 P.M.)

Director Whittiker, Jr. shared that e-bikes have been a huge issue in the parks. He brought the issue to the Parks and Recreation Commission as an item last week and he informed Director Garcia as well and working with staff to curtail the problem.

### **5. REPORT FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF KANE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE- 6:33 PM**

Assistant Chief Kane was not present.

(Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton reentered the meeting at 6:33 P.M.)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes took the opportunity to thank the residents who voted No on Measure FW which passed, therefore, there will be no fireworks in the City. She reminded the residents that there is a \$500 reward for those who identify someone using fireworks and there are fines for using fireworks in the city in the amounts of \$1,000, \$2,000, and \$3,000. She announced that there will be a free Fireworks Drone Show on July 4, 2026 at Dignity Health Sports Park. She requested staff to look at the budget for each district based drone show for next year.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas thanked the residents for voting and agreed to the idea of having a drone light show for each district in the future.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton thanked the residents for voting. While there may be disagreements, we remain united as one city. It was important that the people decided and the people decided. That is what democracy is all about. There will be issues we may not always agree on, but one thing he knows is the Council agrees on is moving the city forward.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. recommended that there be a street fair as was done in the past and shut down Carson Street in front of City Hall and Community Center and have one unified drone show for the residents.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear reiterated how nice the drone shows are and encouraged residents to participate.

## **PRESENTATIONS (Items 6-13)**

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### **6. INFORMATIONAL UPDATE ON CITYWIDE ENTERPRISE PERMITTING & LICENSING SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION**

Director William Jefferson and Revenue Manager Antonio Velasco presented the Citywide Enterprise Permitting and Licensing Implementation. This is a new business license software platform from Tyler Munis that will be used by Revenue to process permitting and licensing and has an online user portal for fee payment and permit access.

### **7. RECOGNIZING THE PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION FOR RECEIVING THE BLUE PENCIL & GOLD SCREEN AWARD FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATORS**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued Item No. 7 to the July 7, 2026 City Council Meeting with no objection heard.

### **8. RECOGNIZING THE MULTIMEDIA DIVISION FOR RECEIVING A CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE FROM THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICIALS**

Myeshia Horton, Multimedia Manager, from the Multimedia Division, accompanied by Ravynne Staine, Multimedia Producer, presented the award of Certificate of Excellence they received at the CAPIO Conference for the 2025 State of the City video. She thanked the City Manager and staff for their support. They also showed a snippet of the Carsonard game from the 2026 State of the City.

### **9. CINCO DE MAYO RECAP VIDEO**

Item No. 9 was heard after Item No. 12.

Staff presented the Cinco De Mayo Recap Video.

### **10. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING JUNETEENTH**

Item No. 10 was heard after Item No. 13.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes introduced Dr. Salim Faraji who was acknowledged for Juneteenth on behalf of the Department of Africana Studies at California State University Dominguez Hills. She read and presented him the Proclamation recognizing Juneteenth and he offered comments and words of gratitude.

### **11. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MEN'S HEALTH MONTH**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton recognized Dr. Jimmy Kirby, read and presented a proclamation on behalf of Men's Health Month. Dr. Kirby is a member of the staff at City of Carson and

Department of Africana Studies at California State University Dominguez Hills. He offered comments and words of gratitude.

## **12. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY ANNIVERSARY**

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas announced the Philippine Independence Day Celebration, Saturday, June 6, 2026, commencing at 7:30 A.M., Veterans Park.

She read the proclamation recognizing Philippine Independence Day Anniversary and presented a Certificate of Recognition each to the following journalists: Adrian Lacaros from the Filipino American Press Club of Southern California; Lydia Solis, Chief Correspondent from Southern California Philippine News; Cora Oriol, Publisher of Asian Journal Publications Inc.; Steven Angeles, Correspondent from ABS CBN Corporation Worldwide; Val Abelgus, Publisher of Philippine Post (Lydia Solis accepted on his behalf); Joy Moreno, U.S. Asian Post; Luchie Alan, Publisher of Weekend Balita (Joy Moreno accepted on her behalf); Ninfa Rueda, Editor and Bureau of Chief of Inquiry Net USA (not present); Ruben Nepales, Correspondent Inquire USA (not present); and Janet Nepales, Correspondent Reporter from GMA Network.

Lydia Solis offered comments and words of gratitude.

## **13. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

Item No. 13 was heard after Item No. 8.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. read and presented the proclamation recognizing Mental Health Awareness Month to Melissa from Masada Homes. She offered comments and words of gratitude.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC) (LIMITED TO ONE HOUR)**

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This item was heard after Item No. 9.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes announced that those wishing to speak on Item No. 32 will be heard during that item.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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None.

## **CONSENT (Items 14-29)**

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Motion To Approve submitted by Cedric L. Hicks Sr. seconded by Dr. Jawane Hilton resulting in 5-0-0-0

### **14. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 26-061 , A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,897,503.94, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 185036 THROUGH 185309 (CITY COUNCIL)**

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 26-061, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,897,503.94, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 185036 THROUGH 185309"

**ACTION:** Item No. 14 was approved on Consent.

### **15. CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY COMMISSIONS (CITY COUNCIL)**

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. RECEIVE and FILE this report.

**ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.**

**16. CONSIDER RENEWAL OF EXCESS LIABILITY, EXCESS WORKERS COMPENSATION, CYBER LIABILITY, ALL-RISK PROPERTY, AUTO PHYSICAL DAMAGE, INLAND MARINE (CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT), EARTHQUAKE, VOLUNTEER ACCIDENT, AIRCRAFT (DRONE), CRIME, STORAGE TANK LIABILITY, FIDUCIARY LIABILITY, SPECIAL EVENT LIABILITY, AND TRANSIT LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICIES FOR FY 2026/27 (CITY COUNCIL)- 7:32 PM**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. APPROVE Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management (PRISM) to renew the City's Cyber Liability, Excess Liability, and Excess Worker's Compensation insurance policies for FY 2026/27, and to pay the FY 2025/26 workers compensation audit premium at an overall cost of not-to-exceed \$3,099,700; and,
- 2. APPROVE the City's insurance broker, Alliant Insurance Services, to renew All Risk Property, Auto Physical Damage, Inland Marine (Contractor Equipment), Parametric Earthquake, Crime, Fiduciary Liability, Aircraft (Drone) Liability, Storage Tank Liability, Special Event Liability and Volunteer Accident insurance policies for FY 2026/27 with incumbent carriers or other insurance companies that provide the best terms and pricing, at an overall cost of not-to-exceed \$482,489; and,
- 3. APPROVE California Transit Indemnity Pool (CalTIP) to renew the City's Transit Liability Insurance for the FY 2026/27 term at a premium of not-to-exceed \$150,000.

**ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.**

**17. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS BETWEEN YANETA LACEY AND CITY OF CARSON (CITY COUNCIL)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. APPROVE the Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims between Plaintiff and Yaneta Lacey and City of Carson; and
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement.

**ACTION: Item No. 17 was approved on Consent.**

**18. CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 2026 (CITY COUNCIL)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. RECEIVE and FILE this report.

**ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.**

**19. CONSIDER THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY- CITY OF CARSON, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY (HOUSING AUTHORITY)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. APPROVE the Statement of Investment Policy

**ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.**

**20. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 26-065, ADOPTING A POLICY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW PROVISIONS OF THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT AS ENACTED BY SENATE BILL NO. 707 REGARDING DISRUPTION OF TELEPHONIC OR INTERNET SERVICE OCCURRING DURING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS (CITY COUNCIL)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 26-065, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A POLICY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW PROVISIONS OF THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT AS ENACTED BY SENATE BILL NO. 707 REGARDING DISRUPTION OF TELEPHONIC OR INTERNET SERVICE OCCURRING DURING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS"

**ACTION: Item No. 20 was approved on Consent.**

**21. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO MDG ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF CARSON NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE PROGRAM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW SERVICES (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE the Amendment No. 3 to the MDG Associates, Inc. Contract Services Agreement to provide environmental review services for the City's Neighborhood Pride Program.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the proposed Amendment No. 3 subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent.**

**22. CONSIDER APPROVING CLEAN CALIFORNIA LOCAL GRANT PROGRAM RESTRICTED GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 07-CCEP-27 WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) TO RECEIVE UP TO \$185,000 IN GRANT FUNDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "CLEAN & PROUD CARSON" INITIATIVE; AND CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 26-060, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, ENTERPRISE FUNDS, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FUND" (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE the Restricted Grant Agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), allowing the City to participate in the Clean California Local Grant Program and receive grant funding of up to \$185,000 for the proposed project; and,
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the Restricted Grant Agreement and all related grant documents, amendments, and sub-recipient agreements necessary to implement the project, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney; and,
- 3. ADOPT Resolution No. 26-060, entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, ENTERPRISE FUNDS, AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FUND."

**ACTION: Item No. 22 was approved on Consent.**

**23. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A FIVE-YEAR SOFTWARE, SUPPORT, AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ESI ACQUISITION, INC., A JUVARE COMPANY, FOR WEBEOC (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE a five-year Software, Support, and Maintenance Agreement with ESi Acquisition, Inc., a Juvare Company, for the City's WebEOC emergency management platform in an amount not to exceed \$178,565.76; and
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**ACTION: Item No. 23 was approved on Consent.**

**24. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE CONTRACT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH TRANSTECH ENGINEERS INC. TO PROVIDE ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SECURITY DEPARTMENT (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 3 to the Contract Services Agreement with Transtech Engineers Inc. for continued on-call project management, on-call construction management, and on-call construction inspection services for an additional \$781,074.00 resulting in an adjusted amount not-to-exceed \$2,198,600.00 for an additional three years; and,
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 with Transtech Engineers Inc. following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.**

**25. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A REQUEST BY REAL RUN ENTERPRISE INCORPORATED TO WAIVE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH SUMMER YOUTH WORKER SERVICES FOR THE ADULT REAL RUN BASKETBALL LEAGUE (CITY COUNCIL)- 7:32 PM**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE a request by Real Run Enterprise Incorporated to waive fees in the amount of \$3,920.80 for the use of Summer Youth Workers for the Adult Real Run Sports League.

**ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.**

**26. CONSIDER APPROVING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH DEERE & COMPANY, DBA JOHN DEERE, FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ONE (1) JOHN DEERE 4066R COMPACT UTILITY TRACTOR WITH ACCESSORIES FOR THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT/PARK MAINTENANCE DIVISION (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE the formal bid process as defined and permitted by the Carson Municipal Code, Section 2610;
- 2. APPROVE a Purchase Agreement with Deere & Company dba John Deere, an authorized Sourcewell vendor via Contract #112624-DAC, for the purchase of one (1) John Deere 4066R Compact Utility Tractor (52 PTO hp) and accessories for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$78,801.50 (Exhibit No.1); and,
- 3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney

**ACTION: Item No. 26 was approved on Consent.**

**27. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 26-045, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION BY PUBLIC AUCTION OF CERTAIN SURPLUS CITY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT" (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 26-045, entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION BY PUBLIC AUCTION OF CERTAIN SURPLUS CITY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT" (Exhibit 2).

**ACTION: Item No. 27 was approved on Consent.**

**28. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN COUNTIES OIL CO., DBA SC FUELS, TO PROVIDE CARDLOCK AND ON-CALL GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL SERVICES FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$1,500,000 (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE a five-year agreement with Southern Counties Oil Company, dba SC Fuels (“SC Fuels”), to provide Cardlock and on-call gasoline and diesel fuel services for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031, in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000; and,
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

**ACTION: Item No. 28 was approved on Consent.**

**29. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO CROWN EQUIPMENT CORPORATION OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW WAV60-118 ELECTRIC ORDER PICKER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, WAREHOUSE MANAGEMENT DIVISION (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE the formal competitive bidding process and authorize the use of cooperative purchasing and a written contract, as permitted under Sections 2611(g) and 2605(b)(1)(ii) of the Carson Municipal Code; and,
- 2. AUTHORIZE the issuance of a Purchase Order to Crown Equipment Corporation in the amount of \$33,211.98 for the purchase of one new WAV60-118 electric order picker for the Public Works Department’s Warehouse Management Division.

**ACTION: Item No. 29 was approved on Consent.**

**SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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None.

**DISCUSSION (Items 30-31)**

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**30. CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON CITY PROJECTS (CITY COUNCIL)**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. DISCUSS this report.

**ACTION: Director Freeman gave an update. He announced the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board will be hosting an Open House and Public Workshop, Thursday, June 4, 2026, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Carson Event Center.**

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested a list of the street improvement schedule. City Manager Roberts, Jr. responded to her request.

Director, Dr. Rodgers, Jr. discussed the slurry seal and repaving due to conditions of the road.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes directed that all city streets slurry seal and/or repaving be completed and to bring back item if there is a need for additional funding.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear agreed with the Mayor to allocate the funds as necessary. He referred to some incomplete street paving work that need to be addressed. Director Rodgers, Jr. requested the locations to ensure the contractor is up to par. Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear requested staff to look into the black tar material that should blend with the concrete on 220th Street between Figueroa Street and Main Street. He asked the status of the Martin Luther King, Jr. street repair. City Manager Roberts, Jr. responded to his question.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton requested staff to look at the pavement on Cheriton Drive and Mettler Avenue in the Centerview neighborhood.

**31. CONSIDERATION OF ONLY LOCAL UNCONTESTED APPOINTMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS, AND CITY AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AND CONSIDER ALL (CONTESTED AND UNCONTESTED) APPOINTMENTS TO ALL COMMISSIONS (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:00 PM**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. CONSIDER and only APPOINT uncontested members to the City Commissions, Committees, and Boards;
- 2. CONSIDER and APPOINT all (contested and uncontested) members to all commissions;
- 3. CONSIDER and APPOINT members to City Affiliated Organizations;
- 4. DIRECT the City Clerk to notify all affected appointments of this action in writing;
- 5. IF APPLICABLE, DIRECT the City Clerk to post and publish in accordance with the Maddy Act

**ACTION: The Mayor and Council took the following actions:**

**Economic Development Commission**

**Mayor Davis-Holmes appointed Kevin Ross as Alternate 3 to the Economic Development Commission.**

**Human Relations Commission**

**Mayor Davis-Holmes appointed Isabella Ornelas as Youth Representative to the Human Relations Commission.**

**Public Relations Commission**

**Mayor Davis-Holmes removed Madalyn Nunley, Public Relations Specialist, from the Public Relations Commission.**

**Public Works Commission**

**Mayor Pro Tempore Hicks, Sr. appointed Cedric Neals to the Public Works Commission.**

**Women's Issues Commission**

**Mayor Davis-Holmes appointed Jennifer Jones-Phillips as Alternate 1 to the Women's Issues Commission.**

**Youth Commission**

**Mayor Davis-Holmes appointed Nathaniel Zulueta to the Youth Commission.**

City Clerk, Dr. Bradshaw reminded the Mayor to fill her vacancies on the Measure C and Measure K Budget Oversight Committee and the Mobilehome Park Rental Review Board.

**Motion to ratify the Mayor's appointments to the Economic Development Commission, Human Relations Commission, Women's Issues Commission, Youth Commission, and removal from the Public Relations Commission submitted by Mayor Davis-Holmes seconded by Council Member, Dr. Hilton resulting in 5-0-0-0-0**

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING (Item 32)**

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**32. CONSIDER SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 26-2608: AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA: (1) FINDING A CEQA EXEMPTION WITH RESPECT TO APPROVAL OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 33-23; AND (2) APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 33-23 BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND VESI 27, LLC FOR A PROPOSED BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) PROJECT AT 18800 BROADWAY AVENUE, APN 7339-014-009 (CITY COUNCIL)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- 1. CONDUCT a Second Reading by title only and with further reading waived and ADOPT Ordinance No. 26-2608, "AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA: (1) FINDING A CEQA EXEMPTION WITH RESPECT TO APPROVAL OF DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 33-23; AND (2) APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 33-23 BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND VESI 27, LLC FOR A PROPOSED BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) PROJECT AT 18800 BROADWAY AVENUE, APN 7339-014-009"; and,
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute Development Agreement No. 33-23 with VESI 27, LLC following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

The following individuals offered comments regarding Item No. 32:

Tommy Fa'avae - support

Jesse Lopez - support

Ray Lawson - support

Tarltonette Binion - oppose

Kyle Patterson - support

Clarissa Tacto - oppose

Jesus Camargo - support

Loren Miles - oppose

Edward Pineda - support

Robert Lesley - oppose

Sheryl Tacto - oppose

Vivian Hatcher - oppose

Dianne Thomas - oppose

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked how the BESS project help avoid power outages. Edgar Khalatian responded on behalf of the applicant.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes offered comments.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. asked about the procedure if the lithium batteries catch on fire and air monitoring system.

Christian Ing, Fire Protection Engineer, responded to his question.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas offered comments.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested copies of Ordinance No. 26-2608 and the Development Agreement.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked if the City receives utility user tax on this project. City Manager Roberts, Jr. responded no to his question. Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked if the city were to not approve the project based on the State of California's policies and law, the developer of the BESS project could go through a State process and without input from the city other than community meetings and reports made. Is it possible that they can get approval from the State without the city's approval and the city would receive zero community benefits. Director Freeman responded to his question.

Motion To Approve submitted by Arleen Bocatija-Rojas seconded by Dr. Jawane Hilton resulting in 3-2-0-0-0  
Opposed by Cedric L. Hicks Sr., Mayor Lula Davis-Holmes

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA (MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC)**

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### Lawrence Flinton

Referred to e-bikes, speed cameras, and red light cameras and stated it is not necessary to have reports and investigations because there are already State laws which could be adapted to a city ordinance; offered to share the information.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes stated City Manager Roberts, Jr. and Director Garcia would be in contact with him.

### Gabe Hulbert, Homerun Financing

Spoke about the property assessed clean energy PACE program

### Brandi Lewin

Stated she was not allowed to speak on the Public Hearing item on May 20, 2026 and was also denied to speak during public comments at a prior occasion; sent a correspondence to the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Attorney requesting clarification regarding the legal basis for the decision and has not received a response to date; requested clarification regarding the recent fireworks ballot measure and the use of the city's logo in branding and election related communications

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes referred to the May 20, 2026 City Council Meeting wherein she allowed one hour for oral communications. City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani stated she would review the correspondence and respond.

This item was heard again after Memorial Adjournments.

### Robert Lesley

Spoke about Harry Wilson; received misinformation

## **COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS**

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None.

## **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)**

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Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton shared that he received requests from residents to recognize Muslim Heritage Month in July similar to Los Angeles County. Mayor Davis-Holmes stated that she and Council Member, Dr. Hilton will meet with the requestors.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas shared that she and the Mayor met with the Mayor of Dominican Republic and would like Dominican Republic added as a Sister City. She announced Philippine Independence Day, Saturday, June 6, 2026; announced Homeowners Fair, Carson Community Center, from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. brought up concerns about short-term rentals and accessory dwelling units (ADUs) causing parking issues in the neighborhoods. City Manager Roberts, Jr. stated he would look into the parking issues and report back.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes announced the Juneteenth Celebration, June 13, 2026 at 10:30 A.M., Anderson Park.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. announced Phillips 66 Meeting, June 4, 2026 at 6:30 P.M., Carson Community Center.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (AS NECESSARY)**

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None.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

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None.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

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None.

**REPORT OF ACTIONS ON UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

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None.

**MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS**

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This item was heard after Oral Communications For Matters Not Listed on the Agenda (Members of the Public).

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw presented the following Memorial Adjournment Requests:

Eva Greene

Harry Wilson

Robert "Peabo" Bryson

Janice Meschino

Guadalupe Olivers

Christopher K. Simarago

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman Hicks, Sr. requested to add Olga Heidi Baragan to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Director Whittiker, Jr. requested to add Roger Haynes to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton requested to add Eltani Savage to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes wished her grandson in heaven a Happy Birthday.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member, Dr. Hilton gave a prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

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Lula Davis-Holmes  
Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman

ATTEST:

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Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw  
City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary

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Signature