



CITY OF CARSON

MINUTES

CARSON CITY COUNCIL/ SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 18, 2025

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Jawane Hilton in the Helen Kawagoe Council Chambers, Carson City Hall, located at 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, California 90745 with pre-recorded opening remarks of the Rules of Decorum.

ROLL CALL (CITY CLERK)

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

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Present:

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

Council Members/Agency Members/Authority Board Members Absent:

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Lula Davis-Holmes (Entered at 5:07 P.M.)

Also Present:

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; Sunny Soltani, City/Agency/Authority Attorney; David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager; Dr. Robert Lennox, Assistant City Manager; John Raymond, Assistant City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Michael Whittiker, Jr., Director of Community Services; Dr. Arlington Rodgers, Jr., Director of Public Works; Gary Carter, Director of Information Technology and Security; William Jefferson, Director of Finance; Josh Boudreaux, Director of Human Resources; and Nora Garcia, Director of Public Safety

FLAG SALUTE

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

INVOCATION (Item 1)

Pastor William Todd Erving, Carson Community Deliverance Church, gave a prayer.

1. BISHOP TERRY LOVELL BROWN SR. FROM JUDSON BAPTIST CHURCH -

Bishop Terry Lovell Brown Sr. was not present.

CLOSED SESSION (Items 2-4)

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, with City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Human Resources Officer, its negotiators, regarding labor negotiations with AME, CPSA, and AFSCME Local 809 and 1017 as well as Unclassified Management.

ACTION: No reportable action.

3. 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: CAM-Carson, LLC v. Carson Reclamation Authority, City of Carson and Successor Agency to the Carson Redevelopment Agency, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV16461.

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with legal counsel regarding pending litigation to which the City is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Tesoro Refining & Marketing Company, LLC; Tesoro Logistics Operations LLC v. City of Carson, Second Appellate District Case No. B335686.

— A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), to confer with legal counsel regarding ongoing litigation to which the City is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: Brandi Lewin v. City of Carson, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24CMSC00943.

ACTION: No reportable action.

4. 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 three cases.

ACTION: The City Council covered one of the three cases and there was no reportable action.

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

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY ATTORNEY)

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani announced the Closed Session items.

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

The meeting was recessed at 5:08 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Closed Session.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)-

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

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)- 6:02 PM

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

The meeting was reconvened at 6:08 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS (CITY ATTORNEY)

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani gave the Closed Session report.

INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR) (Item 5)

5. REPORT FROM CAPTAIN NORMAN OF CARSON SHERIFF'S STATION- 6:10 PM

Captain Norman thanked Mayor Davis-Holmes for the appreciation barbecue that was hosted by the City of Carson in recognition of her staff's efforts during the Los Angeles fires. She thanked her for attending the event and expressing her appreciation to all the Carson Deputies, professional staff and appreciates her support and recognition. She thanked Mayor Davis-Holmes, Council Member Dear, and Council Member Rojas for meeting with her.

Captain Norman summarized the recent law enforcement activities.

Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton asked about an accident that took place between Central Avenue and University Drive and wanted to know the outcome. Captain Norman responded to his question.

Council Member Dear stated he looks forward to working with the Captain and his colleagues.

PRESENTATIONS (Items 6-9)

6. UPDATE FROM SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION- 6:14 PM

Vergie Seymore, Chair of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission, provided handouts to share with the Mayor and City Council. She introduced Julie Ruiz-Raber, Vice Chair of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission. Chair Seymore shared the commission's accomplishments from the past year. She recognized staff members Amanda Valorosi, Dani Cook, and Melody Carter and thanked them for their outstanding work and support of the commission.

Vice Chair Julie Ruiz-Raber shared the commission's goals. There were other commissioners in attendance.

7. PROCLAMATIONS RECOGNIZING MARCH AS KIDNEY AWARENESS MONTH- 6:26 PM

Council Member Hicks, Sr. noted representative from Davita was not present. He read the proclamation and presented to Chair Vergie Seymore of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission who accepted the proclamation instead with words of gratitude.

8. CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION IN HONOR OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH- 6:31 PM

Mayor Davis-Holmes read the proclamation and recognized the women of the Executive Team - City Clerk Dr. Khaleah Bradshaw, City Treasurer Monica Cooper, Director of Public Safety Nora Garcia, Energy and Sustainability Officer Reata Kulcsar, City Attorney Sunny Soltani, and Council Member Arleen Rojas. She presented each of them with a proclamation.

9. CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO THE WINNER OF THE RISING STAR COMPETITION- 6:41 PM

Mayor Davis-Holmes read and presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Dovie Moananu, winner of the Rising Star Competition. She read her winning essay. Photos were taken.

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

This item was heard under Item No. 30.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 10)

Item No. 10 was heard after the break.

10. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CARSON CITY COUNCIL-SUCCESSOR AGENCY-HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES: MARCH 4, 2025 AND FEBRUARY 26, 2025 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:33 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

-APPROVE the minutes as listed.

Motion to Approve submitted by Cedric L. Hicks, Sr. seconded by Jim Dear resulting in 5-0-0-0

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CONSENT (Items 11-27)

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes previously removed Item No. 17 from Consent with no objection heard which was heard after Item No. 28.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested to remove Item No. 22 from Consent and continued the item.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. requested to remove Item No. 20 for discussion with no objection heard.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. requested to remove Item No. 23 for discussion.

Motion To Approve submitted by Jim Dear seconded by Dr. Jawane Hilton resulting in 5-0-0-0-0

11. CONSIDER A REPORT ON ALL INTRADEPARTMENTAL BUDGET TRANSFERS APPROVED UNDER THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE AUTHORITY FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2025 PER ORDINANCE 24-2401 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— RECEIVE and FILE the report (Exhibit No. 1).

ACTION: Item No. 11 was approved on Consent.

12. CONSIDER A REPORT OF ALL CITY CONTRACTS APPROVED UNDER CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE AUTHORITY FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1, 2025 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2025 PURSUANT TO CMC SECTION 2607 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. RECEIVE and FILE this report.

ACTION: Item No. 12 was approved on Consent.

13. CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 3 OF THE AGREEMENT WITH BRI CONSULTING GROUP, INC. TO PROVIDE AUDIT SERVICES FOR THE OIL INDUSTRY BUSINESS LICENSE TAX (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 3 to Agreement for Contract Services by and between the City of Carson and BRI Consulting Group Inc. to increase the contract sum to \$1,000,946.95 and extend the term to March 31, 2028

— 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the amendment following approval as to form by City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 13 was approved on Consent.

14. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 25-036, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,242,345.49, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 177867 THROUGH 178050 AND 234 THROUGH 234 FOR GENERAL DEMAND (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 25-036, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,242,345.49, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 177867 THROUGH 178050 AND 234 TO 234 FOR GENERAL DEMAND".

ACTION: Item No. 14 was approved on Consent.

15. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 25-04-CHA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,539.26, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS HA-002035 THROUGH HA-002041 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 25-04-CHA, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,539.26, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS HA-002035 THROUGH HA-002041".

ACTION: Item No. 15 was approved on Consent.

16. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 25-03-CSA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,918.09, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001944 THROUGH SA-001948 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution NO. 25-03-CSA, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,918.09, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001944 THROUGH SA-001948".

ACTION: Item No. 16 was approved on Consent.

17. CONSIDER AWARD OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO HP COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR PROJECT NO. 1797: CITYWIDE MUNICIPAL FIBER OPTIC NETWORK UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING AND EXCAVATION CONSTRUCTION PHASE I. (CITY COUNCIL)- 6:59 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. AWARD a construction contract for Project No. 1797: Citywide Municipal Fiber Optic Network Phase I not to exceed the amount of \$26,919,708.50, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, HP Communications, Inc.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract with HP Communications, Inc. after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

Item No. 17 was heard after Item No. 28.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes removed Item No. 17 from Consent due to the consultant waiting in the audience.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. gave a report.

Gary Carter, Director of Information Technology and Security, elaborated on the report and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Project Scope of Work.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear asked about the timeline of the project and when the residents could expect to enjoy the results. Director Carter shared that the goal is before the World Cup.

The City Council thanked Director Carter and his team for their work.

(Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton exited the meeting at 7:13 P.M.)

Director Carter introduced Senior IT Project Support Analyst Jamila Haji and IT Manager Hector Ramirez. He also introduced Ahmad Olomi, Executive Vice President of HP Communications, Inc. who offered comments.

(Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton reentered the meeting at 7:15 P.M.)

**** Item was Removed from Consent**

Motion To Approve submitted by Cedric L. Hicks Sr. seconded by Jim Dear resulting in 5-0-0-0-0

18. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 25-030 AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS AND DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO APPLY FOR SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENTREPRENEURS, INC'S EPA EJ THRIVING COMMUNITIES SUBGRANT (CITY COUNCIL) - 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 25-030, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS AND DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO APPLY FOR SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENTREPRENEUR'S(SEE), INC'S EPA EJ THRIVING COMMUNITIES SUBGRANT

ACTION: Item No. 18 was approved on Consent.

19. CONSIDER THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL REPORT AS REQUIRED BY STATE SENATE BILL 341 (HOUSING AUTHORITY)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. RECEIVE and FILE.

ACTION: Item No. 19 was approved on Consent.

20. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 25-037 APPROVING THE SUCCESSOR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) FULL-TIME UNION, LOCAL 809 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:36 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 25-037, " A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE UPDATED SUCCESSOR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (WITH UPDATED SALARY TABLE) BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES UNION (AFSCME), LOCAL 809 FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027."

Item No. 20 was heard after approval of the Consent items.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. gave a report. AFSCME Local 809 submitted MOU key points for ratification.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Carson and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME) Local 809 as a Tentative Agreement submitted by Dr. Jawane Hilton, seconded by Jim Dear and will be brought back for full ratification at the next City Council Meeting resulting in 5-0-0-0-0.

**** Item was Removed from Consent**

Motion To Approve submitted by Dr. Jawane Hilton seconded by Jim Dear resulting in 5-0-0-0-0

21. CONSIDER MONTHLY INVESTMENT AND CASH REPORT FOR THE CITY OF CARSON, CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY, CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY-MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2025 (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— RECEIVE AND FILE

ACTION: Item No. 21 was approved on Consent.

22. CONSIDER APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWENTY-SIX (26) GRIZZLY ADJUSTABLE BASKETBALL COURT SYSTEMS THROUGH A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH BSN SPORTS, LLC, AND A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT WITH BSN SPORTS, LLC TO REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF THE OLD SYSTEMS AND INSTALL THE NEW ADJUSTABLE GRIZZLY COURT SYSTEMS AT CARSON, CALAS, DOLPHIN, DOMINGUEZ, HEMINGWAY, VETERANS AND STEVENSON PARKS (CITY COUNCIL) - 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE the formal bidding procedures as defined by the Carson Municipal Code (CMC) Section 2610, and APPROVE the Purchase Agreement with BSN Sports, LLC, an authorized dealer, for the purchase of twenty-six (26) Grizzly Adjustable Basketball Court Systems and additional accessories for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$133,864.49 (Exhibit No. 1; "Purchase Agreement"), utilizing the cooperative purchasing bidding exemption pursuant to CMC 2611(g) and Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing agreement #R201101 for purposes of compliance with the bidding requirements of the purchasing ordinance;
- 2. APPROVE the proposed Public Works Agreement with BSN Sports, LLC for a total not-to-exceed Contract Sum of \$74,995.00 (Exhibit No. 2; "Public Works Agreement"); and
- 3. AUTHORIZE Mayor to execute the Purchase Agreement and the Public Works Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

Item No. 22 was heard after Item No. 20.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes continued Item No. 22 to April 1, 2025.

23. CONSIDER APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH ED'S FENCING, INC. TO REPLACE THE TENNIS COURT FENCING AT DOLPHIN PARK (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:39 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE the proposed Public Works Agreement with Ed's Fencing, Inc. for a total not to exceed Contract Sum of \$59,970.00 (Exhibit No. 1).
- 2. AUTHORIZE Mayor and or City Manager to execute the Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

City Manager Roberts, Jr. gave a report.

**** Item was Removed from Consent**

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

24. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH LYFT, INC. FOR SUBSIDIZED LYFT RIDES BY ONE ADDITIONAL YEAR (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Lyft, Inc.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the Amendment, following approval as to form by the City

Attorney

ACTION: Item No. 24 was approved on Consent.

25. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINAL PARCEL MAP NO.84441: A SUBDIVISION OF ONE PARCEL INTO TWO PARCELS LOCATED AT 101 & 107 EAST CARSON STREET (CITY COUNCIL). - 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE Parcel Map No. 84441 for a lot split for commercial purposes located at 101 & 107 East Carson Street.
- 2. MAKE the findings listed in the body of this report.
- 3. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to endorse the certificate that embodies the approval of said Parcel Map on the face of Parcel Map No. 84441.

ACTION: Item No. 25 was approved on Consent.

26. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PB LOADER CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW 2025 FORD F750 WATER TRUCK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TREE MAINTENANCE SECTION (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE the Purchase Agreement with PB Loader Corporation and issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$154,840.00 for the purchase of one new 2025 Ford F-750 water truck through Sourcewell Contract #080521-PBL (Exhibit No. 1).
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the contract after approval as to form by the City Attorney.

ACTION: Item No. 26 was approved on Consent.

27. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONTRACT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TOOLE DESIGN GROUP TO PREPARE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN FOR PROJECT NO. 1785: BICYCLE MASTER PLAN (CITY COUNCIL)- 8:34 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. APPROVE a Contract Services Agreement with Toole Design Group for Project No. 1785: Bicycle Master Plan for a not-to-exceed amount of \$851,948.52.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute a Contract Services Agreement following approval as to form by the City Attorney.
- 3. ADOPT Resolution 25-034, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS.

ACTION: Item No. 27 was approved on Consent.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY (Item 28)

28. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2025-2029 HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, 2025-2029 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (AAP)- 6:45 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. OPEN the public hearing, TAKE public testimony, and CONTINUE the Public Hearing until May 6, 2025.
- 2. ALLOCATE CDBG funding for FY 2025/26 (Planning Year 2025).
- 3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute agreements with the public service providers as designated by City Council following negotiation and approval as to form by the City Attorney.
- 4. APPROVE the proposed FY 2025/26 (PY2025) CDBG budget.
- 5. APPROVE the submission of the City's 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan, and Citizen Participation Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Item No. 28 was heard after Item No. 9.

Housing Specialist Toni Carter introduced consultant Dominique Clark from RSG who gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw gave the Public Hearing report.

ACTION: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes declared the Public Hearing open and continued to May 6, 2025.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton asked if national cuts happening will impact these funds. Consultant Dominique Clark stated at this time there is no word on U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) cuts.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. asked if there are extra funds that can be rolled over and staff stated that is true and unused funds can roll over.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear stated that if Elon Musk has his way there will be no HUD funding. He asked if the consultant and staff can begin identifying a backup plan of other funds that may need to be tapped in the event funds are cut for the city to be prepared. Housing Specialist Deborah Scott stated that staff has applied for other grants in the event other funds are needed. She mentioned the city has the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program funds for first time home buyers as well. Deborah Scott thanked Council Member Hicks, Sr. and Council Member Rojas for their support and efforts.

DISCUSSION (Item 29)

29. 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)- 8:42 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
- Item No. 29 was heard after Item No. 23.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw noted she will coordinate with staff for the pending oaths and distribution of Certificates of Appointment to the respective commission, committee, and board members.

ACTION: No action taken.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING (Items 30-31)

30. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-2507, AMENDING CHAPTER 1 (FIRE PREVENTION) OF ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT THE SALE, USE AND DISCHARGE OF ALL FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF CARSON, EXCEPT FOR PERMITTED PUBLIC DISPLAYS PURSUANT TO THE EXISTING REGULATIONS OF CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3101.9 (CITY COUNCIL)- 7:17 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. CONDUCT a Second reading by title only and with full reading waived; and
- 2. ADOPT Ordinance No. 25-2507, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 3101.0 (FIREWORKS), 3101.8 (STORAGE OF FIREWORKS), AND 3101.10 (VIOLATIONS OF FIREWORKS REGULATIONS) OF CHAPTER 1 (FIRE PREVENTION) OF ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 3101.1 (FIREWORKS – SALE OF – PERMIT REQUIRED), 3101.2 (PERSONS ELIGIBLE), 3101.3 (APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS), 3101.4 (ISSUANCE OF PERMIT), 3101.5 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), 3101.6 (REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY STANDS), AND 3101.7 (WHOLESALE PERMIT) OF CHAPTER 1 (FIRE PREVENTION) OF ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT THE SALE, USE AND DISCHARGE OF ALL FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF CARSON, EXCEPT FOR PERMITTED PUBLIC DISPLAYS PURSUANT TO THE EXISTING REGULATIONS OF CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3101.9"

Item No. 30 was heard after Item No. 17.

The following individuals offered comments regarding Item No. 30:

Pastor Tom Alexander - oppose

Virgil Tolentino - oppose

John Morgan - oppose

Dan Guzman, representing Knights of Columbus - oppose

Mike Wilson, Public Safety Commissioner and retired Fire Captain for the Los Angeles County Fire Department - support

Richard Cordero - oppose

Tala Misa - oppose

Stacy Mungo Flanigan - Requested to amend the item to adopt AB 1403 and implement a strict drone program

Pastor John Shober - oppose

Carol Domingo - oppose

Fe Koons - oppose

Valerie George - oppose

Dianne Thomas - support

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

Main Motion

Motion to approve staff recommendation submitted by Davis-Holmes and such as those which the home Dignity Health Sports Park who stated will allow Carson residents to visit the fireworks show to be presented free of charge to watch in a controlled environment and work with the non-profit organizations to come up with other ways to generate revenue.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. offered comments and seconded the motion made by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

Substitute Motion

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear offered a substitute motion to reject the vote that took place two weeks ago, to allow fireworks sales for the non-profit organizations and conduct a study to see if a vote of the people would be appropriate in the near future and if there is sentiment in the community for a vote we should have an election to decide the ban to sell safe and sane fireworks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton offered a friendly amendment to the substitute motion to amend the city fireworks ordinance to incorporate AB 1403 allowing the City to collect funds for an enforcement program. Additionally, he requested the City Attorney to draft ballot language giving the City Council the option either to continue allowing the sale of safe and sane fireworks or if the voters choose to vote against it then move forward towards the ban; therefore, would like to take it to a vote of the people.

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton restated his motion to amend the city's fireworks ordinance to incorporate AB 1403 allowing the City to collect funds for an enforcement program and requested the City Attorney draft ballot language for the next citywide election giving the City Council the option to either continue allowing the sale of safe and sane fireworks question for the people or if they choose to vote against it then we move toward the ban. The people have the say. Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear accepted Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton's friendly amendment to his substitute motion.

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

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes made a motion to call for the question to end debate, seconded by Hicks, Sr. resulting in a roll call vote of 3 to 1 with Dear voting No.

Director Garcia reminded everyone of the Rules of Decorum.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes withdrew her motion to call for the question to end debate.

City/Agency/Authority Attorney Soltani addressed the Rules of Decorum.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear offered comments in support of his substitute motion.

Vote on the Substitute Motion

Roll call vote resulting in 3 to 2 with Rojas and Davis-Holmes voting No.

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

Motion to Reconsider Vote on the Substitute Motion

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. made a motion to reconsider his vote of the Substitute Motion as a No vote, seconded by Mayor Davis-Holmes resulting in 3 to 2 with Dear and Dr. Hilton voting No.

Vote on Main Motion

Vote resulting in 3 to 2 with Dr. Hilton and Dear voting No.

RECESS

The meeting was recessed at 8:21 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes for a break.

RECONVENE

The meeting was reconvened by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to Item No. 10.

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

31. CONSIDER SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-2506 APPROVING (1) AN ADDENDUM TO THE 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WITH RESPECT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 2-24, AND (2) DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 2-24, AN AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 27-21 BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND 21611 PERRY STREET LLC, FOR A PROPOSED 62-UNIT RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOME CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENT AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A SELF-STORAGE FACILITY AT 21611 PERRY STREET (CITY COUNCIL).- 8:44 PM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— CONDUCT a Second Reading, by title only and with full reading waived, and ADOPT Ordinance No. 25-2506, “AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING (1) AN ADDENDUM TO THE 2040 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT WITH RESPECT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 2-24, AND (2) DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 2-24, AN AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 27-21 BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND 21611 PERRY STREET LLC, FOR A PROPOSED 62-UNIT RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOME CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENT AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A SELF-STORAGE FACILITY AT 21611 PERRY STREET”.

Item No. 31 was heard after Item No. 29.

Motion To Approve submitted by Jim Dear seconded by Dr. Jawane Hilton resulting in 5-0-0-0-0

MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS

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

D'Wayne Wiggins

Imeld "Melly" Eaves

Fely Aranda Candari

Bienvenida Tamayo Jovellanos

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton gave a prayer.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas requested to add Don Magno Montelibano to the Memorial Adjournment Requests.

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

This item was heard after Oral Communications (Council Members).

Brandi Lewin

Introduced members of the Disabilities Commission Task Force; offered comments in support of the creation of a Disabilities Subcommittee to work with the Human Relations Commission; spoke about non-profit organizations

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested Council Aide Brian Legaspi, Council Aide K.W. Tulloss and Council Member Dear to work with Brandi Lewin on the Disabilities Subcommittee.

Luz Padua

Thanked the Mayor for allowing the creation of the Disabilities Subcommittee; spoke about the Rules of Decorum

RECONVENE

The meeting was reconvened at 9:05 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to allow Robert Lesley and Sherri Hodges to speak.

Robert Lesley

Spoke about Environmental Impact Reports on future developments

Sherri Hodges

Stated she was disappointed with the decorum this evening; asked about the status of the Browning Field

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. announced the following:

- Food Giveaway, Friday, April 18, 2025, from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at Calas Park, 1000 E. 220th Street, Carson, in collaboration with Venice Family Clinic; for more information contact Council Aide Cac Le at 562-578-4679.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear announced Town Hall Meeting, March 27, 2025, at 6:30 P.M., Veterans Park.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas attended the National League of Cities in Washington DC; met with Congresswoman Nanette Barragan and discussed funding for the City's Emergency Operations Center who is aware the City is preparing for World Cup 2026 and LA '28 Olympics.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes announced the following:

- State of the City Address, Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 11:00 A.M. at the Carson Event Center; over 700 RSVPs; guide for the next four years and accomplishments
- Requested staff to reach out to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to provide an update of the Dominguez Channel at a future City Council Meeting
- Awesome Groundbreaking Ceremony yesterday at the Imperial Avalon site

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton announced Town Hall Meeting, April 8, 2025, at 6:30 P.M., Stevenson Park.

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

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

None.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

None.

REPORT OF ACTIONS ON UNFINISHED OR CONTINUED CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:05 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes to allow Robert Lesley and Sherri Hodges to speak.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 P.M. by Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes.

Lula Davis-Holmes

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman

ATTEST:

Dr. Khaleah K. Bradshaw

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary