



CITY OF CARSON

MINUTES

**CARSON CITY COUNCIL/
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2024
9:00 A.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY (9:00 am)

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 A.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)

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, Dr. Jawane Hilton, 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:

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Jim Dear

Also Present:

Monica Cooper, City/Agency/Authority Treasurer; David C. Roberts, Jr., City Manager; Dr. Robert Lennox, Assistant City Manager; John Raymond, Assistant City Manager; Saied Naaseh, Director of Community Development; Dr. Arlington Rogers, 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 Reata Kulcsar, Energy and Sustainability Officer

FLAG SALUTE

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton gave the invocation.

CLOSED SESSION

1. 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.

ACTION: Did not consider.

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: Did not consider.

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

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (CITY ATTORNEY)

None.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION UNTIL 10:00 A.M. OR UNTIL THE END OF CLOSED SESSION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST

None.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (CITY COUNCIL)- 6:07 PM

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (CITY COUNCIL)-

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 10:00 A.M. OR AT THE END OF CLOSED SESSION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST

None.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS (CITY ATTORNEY)

None.

INTRODUCTIONS (MAYOR)

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

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

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

3. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CARSON CITY COUNCIL-SUCCESSOR AGENCY-HOUSING AUTHORITY MINUTES: DECEMBER 3, 2024 (REGULAR MEETING) (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:08 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— APPROVE the minutes as listed.

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendation on motion of Hicks, Sr., seconded by Hilton and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear

CONSENT (Items 4-10)

It was moved to approve the Consent items on motion of Hilton, seconded by Rojas.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes requested to remove Consent Items No. 9 and 10 for discussion.

The motion to approve Consent Items No. 4 to 10, except Items No. 9 and 10, was unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear

4. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 24-115, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$607,323.29, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 176448 THROUGH 176525 FOR GENERAL DEMAND AND THE AMOUNT OF \$3,040.00, CHECK NUMBERS 1288 THROUGH 1289 FOR CO-OP AGREEMENT DEMANDS (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:09 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 24-115, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$607,323.29, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS 176448 THROUGH 176525 FOR GENERAL DEMAND AND THE AMOUNT OF \$3,040.00, CHECK NUMBERS 1288 THROUGH 1289 FOR CO-OP AGREEMENT DEMANDS".

ACTION: Item No. 4 was approved on Consent.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC HEARING (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:09 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. SCHEDULE budget workshops in preparation for the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget.
- 2. TENTATIVELY SCHEDULE the public hearing to consider adoption of the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget on June 17, 2025.

ACTION: Item No. 5 was approved on Consent.

6. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 24-12-CHA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,903.14, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS HA-002019 THROUGH HA-002021 (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:09 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 24-12-CHA, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON HOUSING AUTHORITY RATIFYING CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,903.14, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS HA-002019 THROUGH HA-002021".

ACTION: Item No. 6 was approved on Consent.

7. CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 24-12-CSA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$373.20, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001937 THROUGH SA-001938 (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:09 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution NO. 24-12-CSA, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CARSON SUCCESSOR AGENCY CLAIMS AND DEMANDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$373.20, DEMAND CHECK NUMBERS SA-001937 THROUGH SA-001938".

ACTION: Item No. 7 was approved on Consent.

8. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 24-116 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS" TO CORRECT AND SUPERSEDE RESOLUTION NO. 24-106 (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:09 AM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 1. Adopt Resolution No. 24-116, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARSON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 BUDGET IN THE GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TO CORRECT AND SUPERSEDE RESOLUTION NO. 24-106

ACTION: Item No. 8 was approved on Consent.

9. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 24-118 AND 24-119 INCREASING THE MINIMUM WAGE FOR CITY OF CARSON EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA STATE LAW (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:11 AM

Director Boudreaux gave a report.

Director Jefferson elaborated on the report.

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr. asked about the compaction and Director Boudreaux responded to his question.

City Clerk/Agency Secretary/Authority Secretary, Dr. Bradshaw noted Mayor Pro Tempore, Dr. Hilton's vote button was not working, therefore, he was unable to cast his Yes vote in the system. Also, there was no option to mark Council Member Dear absent in the system which she reported to Director Carter who acknowledged her comment at the meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 24-118, " A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF CARSON CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE SALARY RANGES AFSCME LOCAL 809 UNCLASSIFIED, PART TIME, HOURLY CLASSIFICATIONS TO INCREASE THE HOURLY MINIMUM WAGE TO \$16.50, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025."

— 2. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution 24-119, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE SALARY RANGES FOR UNCLASSIFIED, PART-TIME, UNREPRESENTED, HOURLY CLASSIFICATIONS TO INCREASE THE HOURLY MINIMUM WAGE TO \$16.50, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025"

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Davis-Holmes, seconded by Hilton and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE LETTER AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL TERMINATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARSON AND TESORO REFINING & MARKETING COMPANY, LLC (CITY COUNCIL)- 9:14 AM

City Manager Roberts, Jr. gave a report.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

— 1. APPROVE the Letter Agreement

— 2. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to execute the Mutual Termination Agreement

ACTION: It was moved to approve staff recommendations on motion of Hilton, seconded by Rojas and unanimously carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes, Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton, Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board

Member Hicks, Sr., and Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Dear

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

None.

DISCUSSION

None.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

None.

MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS

None.

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

None.

COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO ADD ITEMS TO FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (COUNCIL MEMBERS)

Council Member/Agency Member/Authority Board Member Rojas announced/reported the following:

- Thanked staff and her colleagues for a great meeting
- Great celebration at the Swearing-In Ceremony last night

Mayor Pro Tempore/Agency Vice Chairman/Authority Vice Chairman, Dr. Hilton wished everyone Merry Christmas and reported an incredible celebration at the Swearing-In Ceremony.

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

- Thanked everyone for entrusting him for the next four years as Council Member District 3
- Nice Swearing-In Ceremony that was well attended
- Thanked Council Aide Cac Le for her tireless work and efforts all year and with the video presentation
- Thanked staff for their work

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

- Great Swearing-In Ceremony and pleased with the presentations last night
- Thanked Sr. Council Aide Myeshia Horton, Council Aide Ravynne Staine, and Public Information Office Administrator Margie Revilla for their work with the Swearing-In Ceremony. She requested an

evaluation meeting with the Council Aides and Public Information Office staff.

- Commended Recreation Center Supervisor Mickie Sanchez on the decorations at the Swearing-In Ceremony
- Thanked Director Whittiker, Jr., City Manager Roberts, Jr., and Assistant City Manager, Dr. Lennox for their assistance; She asked Director Whittiker, Jr. to organize a team to discuss consistency at each event.
- Thanked staff for a phenomenal job all year
- Wished everyone Happy Holidays

City Manager Roberts, Jr. echoed the Mayor's comments regarding the Swearing-In Ceremony; thanked staff for their work all year; thanked the Council Aides for their assistance; thanked the City Clerk for her presentation at the meeting yesterday and look forward to the city's future.

Mayor/Agency Chairman/Authority Chairman Davis-Holmes thanked Assistant City Manager Raymond for his work on the projects with the Carson Reclamation Authority.

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 9:26 A.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