

CITY OF CARSON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7:30 PM
MARCH 10, 2025

Council Present: Johnson, Rose, Graves, Taylor, Richardson. Mayor Houser present. Staff present: Hansen, Easton, Rose Jr. Public Present: Lucas Mosier, Armour Insurance, Rebecca McClain, Drake Roller, Jeffrey Martens, Candace Matthews, Jordan Easton, Susan Miller, Starlyn Perdue, Nicole Shady, Travis Shady, Grant Anderson and Brad Grefe, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA).

Mayor Houser called the regular council meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Pledge of Allegiance. Rose made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Taylor – 5 ayes.

General Public Forum Comment Discussion: None

Graves made a motion to allow, on the contingency that the City gains possession by purchase of the property from Larry Allen, that Jeffrey Martens be allowed to continue to use the water from the well located on the property free of charge and Martens will pay the electricity cost to run the pump located in the well until the well is capped upon completion of the City's new well, and Martens will maintain the property surrounding the well for the year 2025 by either controlling the weeds or planting a crop on the land, seconded by Rose. Discussion was held followed by the vote – 5 ayes.

Candace Matthews addressed the council on speeding issues along the 300 block of North Commercial. Rose made a motion to table this topic until the next meeting, seconded by Graves – 5 ayes.

Lucas Mosier with Armour Insurance presented the 2025/2026 insurance renewal for the City of Carson.

Rose made a motion to renew the City's EMC Insurance Policy for 2025/2026 pending the quote of premiums with the increase of deductible to \$5,000, by approval of council through electronic consensus, seconded by Richardson – 5 ayes.

Grant Anderson, MAPA, spoke on the services that his organization offers to our community.

Karen Zimmerman with the Iowa High School Rodeo spoke of their upcoming rodeo at the Carr Arena, May 30 – June 1, 2025.

Rose made a motion to waive camping fees during that weekend for participants, seconded by Taylor – 5 ayes.

Susan Miller gave an update on the Dreamland Theatre Façade project.

Jordan Easton presented the offer made by the City of Wayland for the 2014 ambulance.

Taylor made a motion to sell Carson's 2014 ambulance to the City of Wayland for \$18,000, seconded by Johnson – 5 ayes. Easton also discussed the trophies located at the fire station and tracking of water usage by the Fire Department.

Taylor made a motion to approve the job descriptions of Public Works Labor I Full Time Position, On-Call Seasonal Snow Plow Position and Seasonal Part-Time Mowing/Trimming Position, seconded by Richardson – 5 ayes.

Richardson made a motion for the City Administrator Clerk to advertise the position of Seasonal Part-Time Mowing/Trimming Positions at \$15.00 per hour and Full Time Public Works Labor I Position, seconded by Graves – 5 ayes.

Richardson made a motion to approve Powertech's 2025/2026 generator service agreement for the emergency generator at the wastewater plant, seconded by Taylor – 5 ayes.

Discussion was held regarding the water/sewer rate study.

Clerk's Report – IMFOA Conference, funding for the community Zip Code Day Celebration, discussion of cancellation of services with Linxup andUSIC and an update on the property survey for the property at the proposed well site.

Rose made a motion to cancel services with Linxup GPS service, seconded by Graves – 5 ayes.

Johnson made a motion to approve distribution of \$464.46 from the Carson's Community Foundation Fund to the City of Carson for the community Zip Code Day Celebration, seconded by Richardson – 5 ayes.

Public Works Report – wells will be acidized March 11th, discussed issues with equipment at wastewater treatment plant.

Rose made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Richardson – Roll Call Vote 5 ayes – Johnson, Rose, Graves, Taylor, Richardson. The consent agenda consisted of February 10, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes, March 2025 Bills, January and February 2025 Treasurer's Reports, Utility Report, Community Center Report, Fire Department Report, Overtime Report, Municipal Infraction Report, Building Permit Report, Sheriff's Report, Application for Temporary Use of City Property for Zip Code Day Celebration, Ordinance 264 (amend to repeal accessory building code section 168.03 subsection 5 – 2nd reading), Ordinance 265 (amend chapter 18, subsection 3 of section 18.04 publication of minutes – 2nd reading), Ordinance 266 (amend chapter 5, section 5.06 meetings – 2nd reading), Ordinance 267 (amend chapter 69, section 69.06 parking prohibited – 2nd reading), Ordinance 268 (amend chapter 7, subsection 4 of section 7.05 annual statement-2nd reading).

Mayor and Commissioner Reports – Rose gave an update on Park Board plans.

Rose made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 pm, seconded by Taylor – 5 ayes.

Adam Houser, Mayor

Attest: Kristina Hansen, City Administrator Clerk

City of Carson January 2025 Revenues: General: \$42,978.78; Road Use \$9,101.61; Employee Benefit \$76.41; Debt Service \$1,062.78; Water \$15,698.59; Sewer \$15,234.10; Garbage \$7,491.22. Total Revenues \$91,643.49.

City of Carson January 2025 Expenses: General \$312,541.69; Road Use \$4,603.83; Water \$17,013.16; Sewer \$7,437.15; Garbage \$6,625.33. Total Expenses \$348,221.16.

City of Carson February 2025 Revenues: General: \$15,717.245; Road Use \$7,728.712; Employee Benefit \$61.91; Debt Service \$861.15; Water \$14,543.22; Sewer \$15,878.63; Garbage \$7,066.00. Total Revenues \$61,856.86.

City of Carson February 2025 Expenses: General \$41,029.55; Road Use \$2,205.45; Debt Service: \$600.00; Water \$10,797.35; Sewer \$3,021.06; Garbage \$7,304.04. Total Expenses \$64,957.45.