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**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
MINUTES  
July 26, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Parris called the regular meeting of the Redevelopment Agency to order at 5:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Agency Directors: Crist, Mann; Vice Chairman Smith; Chairman Parris

On a motion by Vice Chairman Smith and seconded by Agency Director Crist, the Redevelopment Agency excused Agency Director Marquez from the meeting by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Crist, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Marquez

ABSENT: Agency Director: Marquez

**Staff**

Members: Executive Director; Deputy Executive Director; Agency Counsel; Assistant to the City Manager; Agency Secretary; Planning Director; Public Works Director; Parks, Recreation and Arts Director; Finance Director; Economic Development Director; Housing Director; Human Resources Director

**INVOCATION**

Reverend Maxine Schiltz – Revealing Truth Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Chairman Smith

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**AGENDA ITEMS TO BE REMOVED**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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**M 2. MINUTES (March 22, 2011)**

The Executive Director provided a report regarding the minutes of March 22, 2011. He presented a video clip of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting, stating that the clip does in fact show the actions of the Agency at that time. However, the minutes did not mention the specific properties identified at that time by the three Board members who recused themselves from the vote. Those properties are now reflected in the amended minutes.

The Executive Director stated that a complaint had been filed regarding the acquisition of the McMahon's building by the Chairman's Law Firm to expand his business. As is evident in the video clip, the Chairman did disclose this property; discussed this with Legal Counsel and the Executive Director when he was contemplating the acquisition. At that time, Chairman Parris was advised that he could go forward under the redevelopment law because it was for the expansion of his business and that advice may not have been entirely accurate. There was a similar situation some time ago where an Agency Director resigned his position on the Agency Board because his family acquired or opened a business in Lancaster.

Legal Counsel stated that there is a provision in the redevelopment law that restricts acquisition of property by Agency members within the project area but there are some exceptions to that rule. One of those rules is to participate as a business owner in the project area and also reenter in business if the person owns a substantially similar interest in the project area for at least three years. The other requirement is if a member does own property in the project area that it must be disclosed on the record in writing. Research has been done on what is considered a writing; there are broad definitions and one would be a recording and the video clip does qualify as a writing under the government code and redevelopment law.

Legal Counsel stated that as a matter of prudence if the Chairman decides to resign from the Redevelopment Agency then this is specifically provided for in the statute. Any member of the Legislative body, which means the City Council and includes the Mayor, they can opt to resign from participation on the Redevelopment Agency Board. They would still remain on the City Council and in that event the City Council could then appoint a replacement.

Chairman Parris stated that at this time he was resigning from the Redevelopment Agency and at the next meeting a replacement would be appointed and a Chairman appointed at that time.

**M 2. MINUTES (continued)**

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On a motion by Agency Director Mann and seconded by Agency Director Crist, the Redevelopment Agency approved the amended City Council/Redevelopment Agency/Financing Authority Regular Meeting minutes of March 22, 2011, by the following vote: 3-0-0-1. AYES: Crist, Mann, Smith; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Marquez

**M 1. MINUTES (July 12, 2011)**

On a motion by Agency Director Crist and seconded by Agency Director Mann, the Redevelopment Agency approved the City Council/Redevelopment Agency/Power/Housing/Financing Authority Regular Meeting minutes of July 12, 2011, by the following vote: 3-0-0-1. AYES: Crist, Mann, Smith; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Marquez

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

None

**AGENCY COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. The next meeting of the Redevelopment Agency will take place on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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GERI K. BRYAN, CMC  
AGENCY SECRETARY  
Lancaster, CA

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CHAIRMAN  
Lancaster, CA

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES**

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**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ of the City of Lancaster, CA, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Redevelopment Agency minutes, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CA on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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