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# LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL/FINANCING/HOUSING/POWER AUTHORITY MINUTES November 8, 2011

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chairman Parris called the regular meeting of the City Council/Financing/Housing/Power Authority to order at 5:03 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Council Members/Authority Members: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Vice Mayor/Vice

Chairman Smith, Mayor/Chairman Parris

ABSENT: None

Staff

Members: City Manager/Executive Director; Deputy City Manager/Deputy Executive

Director; City Attorney/Authority Counsel; Assistant to the City Manager; City Clerk/Authority Secretary; Planning Director; Public Works Director; Parks, Recreation & Arts Director; Finance Director; Economic Development Director;

Housing Director; Human Resources Director

#### **INVOCATION**

Bishop Don Sather, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Girl Scout Troop 2022

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

At this time, the City Manager, representatives from Spiral Technology, Inc. and Mayor Parris gave a presentation regarding Aero View and Law Enforcement Aerial Platform System (LEAPS). The partnership between Lancaster and Aero View will result in a quantum leap forward in affordable and effective aerial surveillance for law enforcement. Small and midsized cities and counties will now have an affordable option for a critical law enforcement tool that has up until now been out of their reach financially.

By providing this capability as an hourly service, at an affordable hourly rate and in a scalable manner, cities and counties will now be able to utilize aerial surveillance at the specific times and in the specific areas needed, without a large capital investment. The Aero View system will be a primary component and a force multiplier in continuing to reduce crime in Lancaster. Clearly this capability will allow much more effective surveillance, monitoring, and patrol operations.

#### **PRESENTATIONS** (continued)

LEAPS will also provide response to events much quicker, with "eyes-on-scene" in literally seconds as opposed to minutes. It will provide both investigators and prosecutors with unparalleled video evidence to solve crimes and prosecute criminals. Perhaps most importantly, those that wish to commit crimes will know they are being watched. This deterrent factor alone should reduce crime.

The benefits of this partnership to Lancaster go beyond public safety. The partnership with Aero View will also pay significant economic benefits to the City and should be viewed as a start-up company, which has developed a needed and unique product with tremendous potential for growth. A component of the agreement covenants that the headquarters for Aero View will be in Lancaster for 10 years, with future business development, design, acquisition, manufacture, assembly, sales, and service operations to occur in Lancaster. This will equate to significant jobs and economic activity for the entire Antelope Valley.

**RECESS** Mayor Parris requested a brief recess at 5:30 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Parris reconvened the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

It was the consensus of the City Council to move Item No. CA 1 to this portion of the agenda.

#### CA 1. TAPESTRY COMMISSION PROGRAM

Mayor Parris introduced Sue Dell, Chairperson of the Tapestry Commission. Ms. Dell introduced her Commission members and gave a brief overview of their mission. This Commission is more than just a commission. Their goal is to bring people together; importance of inclusion, showing that we are more alike than we are different. Mayor Parris is committed to promoted diversity and protecting human rights and human dignity. The presentation also included details regarding the expungement program.

Bishop Henry Hearns further explained the goals of the expungement program and introduced their first candidate for the program.

Mayor Parris stated that the Tapestry Commission is doing remarkable work and are committed to bringing people together. The people who are complaining about everything are being put aside and the people who want to do something good for the community; something that is beneficial to bring the neighborhoods together; bring people together to have a vibrant city in which to live, those people are coming forward and it is evident every single day. As a result, the City is reaping rewards that can actually be seen. The BLVD symbolizes what is happening in the Lancaster neighborhoods; it is world changing and will continue to go in that direction.

#### **PRESENTATIONS** (continued)

Captain Bob Jonsen presented the Deputies of the Quarter from the Lancaster Sheriff's Department.

Mayor Parris presented a commendation to Assistant Fire Chief Jim Kross on his outstanding leadership and for his retirement.

Mayor Parris presented the Athlete of the Month Award to Payton Gore, Quartz Hill High. Ms. Gore also received a \$1,000 Mayor's Scholarship.

Mayor Parris introduced a special guest in the audience, Mr. Ernest Maurice "Kiki" Vandeweghe, III. Mr. Vandeweghe is a retired American professional basketball player and was the previous general manager and head coach of the New Jersey Nets of the NBA. Vandeweghe was a collegiate star at UCLA, where he (along with head coach Larry Brown) led the Bruins to the 1980 NCAA championship game.

#### HOUSING AUTHORITY CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Vice Chairman Smith and seconded by Authority Director Crist, the Housing Authority approved the Housing Consent Calendar by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### HA CC 1. RESOLUTION NO. HA 03-11

Adopted **Resolution No. HA 03-11**, of the Lancaster Housing Authority approving an agreement for the sale of real property by and between the Lancaster Housing Authority and Caritas Acquisition I, LLP. Increase estimated revenues by \$11,200,000 in Account No. 301-3606-100 for the sale proceeds.

#### APPROVAL OF COUNCIL/AUTHORITY MINUTES

#### M 1. MINUTES

On a motion by Council Member/Authority Member Crist and seconded by Council Member/Authority Member Smith, the City Council/Authority approved the City Council/Financing/Housing/Power Authority Regular Meeting minutes of October 25, 2011, by the following vote: 4-0-1-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: Parris; ABSENT: None

#### CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Parris stated that he would need to recuse himself from Item No. CC 7 due to the proximity of the project to property that he owns.

Council Member Johnson requested that Item No. CC 10 be pulled for separate discussion and action.

Addressing the City Council on the Consent Calendar:

Nicole Parson – discussed the sewage plant and groundwater.

Michael Rives – stated that he appreciates the information that is provided regarding the monthly report of investments.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the Council Consent Calendar with the exception of Item No. CC 7 and Item No. CC 10, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### CC 1. ORDINANCE WAIVER

Waived further reading of any proposed ordinances. (This permits reading the title only in lieu of reciting the entire text.)

#### CC 2. WARRANT REGISTER

Approved the Check and Wire Registers for October 9, 2011 through October 22, 2011 in the amount of \$2,595,138.36.

#### CC 3. MONTHLY REPORT OF INVESTMENTS

Accepted and approved the September 2011, Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

#### CC 4. CANCELLATION OF MEETING

Approved the cancellation of the City Council/Financing/Housing/Power Authority meeting of April 10, 2012 and directed the City Clerk to post the required notice.

#### CC 5. MONUMENTATION WORK

Approved the monumentation work for Tract No. 53102-01, located at southwest corner of Avenue J-8 and 45<sup>th</sup> Street West, Owner: AVONE Home, LLC.

#### CC 6. COMPLETED WATER SYSTEMS

Approved the completed water systems installed by the developer for Director's Review No. 09-24, located on the southeast corner of Kettering Street and 17th Street East, Owner: Lancaster School District.

At this time, Mayor Parris recused himself from Item No. CC 7 and left the dais.

#### CC 7. ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS

On a motion by Council Member Crist and seconded by Council Member Johnson, the City Council approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Parcel Map No. 71630, located on the southwest corner of 10th Street West and Avenue J-2; made findings that this project will not violate any of the provisions of Sections 66473.5, 66474.1, and 66474.6 of the Subdivision Map Act; instructed the City Clerk to endorse on the face of the map the certificate which embodies the approval of said map and the dedications shown thereon, by the following vote: 4-0-1-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith; NOES: None; RECUSED: Parris;

4-0-1-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith; NOES: None; RECUSED: Parris; ABSENT: None

At this time, Mayor Parris returned to the dais.

#### CC 8. CONSTRUCTION PHASES FOR TRACT MAP NO. 54199-01

Approved the creation of Construction Phases 1 and 2 of Tract Map No. 54199-01, located on the northeast corner of Avenue H-8 and 5<sup>th</sup> Street East.

### CC 9. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS REGARDING TIER 2/TIER 3 PARTICULATE TRAP

Authorized staff to appropriate an additional \$22,000.00 from Air Quality Improvement Fund Balance (AB2766) into Account Nos. 204-4740-752 (\$17,600.00) and 204-4743-752 (\$4,400.00) for the installation of Tier 3 Particulate Reduction Traps on five City owned heavy duty diesel trucks: EQ3769, EQ3770, EQ3826, EQ3830, and EQ3828. The additional funds are to cover the increased costs to proceed from a Tier 2 to a Tier 3 Particulate Trap as mandated by the California Air Resources Board.

#### CC 10. ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED BY JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC.

Council Member Johnson thanked staff for their patience while she took additional time to research and understand the components of this project.

On a motion by Council Member Crist and seconded by Vice Mayor Smith, the City Council accepted the work performed by Johnson Controls, Inc. (JCI), providing Energy Services Upgrades and infrastructure improvements throughout a variety of City facilities, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### CC 11. RESOLUTION NO. 11-76

Adopted **Resolution No. 11-76**, approving the application for grant funds from CalRecycle; and if selected, approving the execution of a standard agreement and any amendments thereto; and any related documents necessary to participate in all eligible CalRecycle Grants within the City of Lancaster. Authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute any documents necessary to receive such funds and to take other actions as needed to facilitate all eligible grants applied for, through CalRecycle, in their entirety.

#### CC 12. RESOLUTION NO. 11-77

Adopted **Resolution No. 11-77**, approving the delegation of the enforcement of State Fire Marshall building standards for providing residential automatic fire sprinklers for all R-3 occupancies, comprised of one— or two— family dwellings and townhomes, not more than three stories in height, to the Building Official of the City of Lancaster or his authorized representative.

# PH 1. TEFRA HEARING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF REVENUE BONDS BY THE CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY ("CMFA"), A JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AUTHORITY AND PUBLIC ENTITY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Mayor Parris opened the Public Hearing. It was the consensus of the City Council to waive the presentation regarding this mater.

Hearing no further testimony, Mayor Parris closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council conducted the Public Hearing under the requirements of TEFRA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and adopted **Resolution No. 11-78**, approving the issuance of the Bonds by the CMFA for the benefit of Caritas Acquisitions I, LLC, a California limited liability company, whose sole member is The Caritas Corporation, a California non-profit public benefit corporation, or a subsidiary or affiliate thereof (the "Borrower"), to provide for the financing of the Project, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

Adoption is solely for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of TEFRA, the Code and the California Government Code Section 6500 (and following). The resolution will also authorize the Mayor or designee thereof to execute the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement with the CMFA.

#### NB 1. GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION – APRIL 10, 2012

The City Attorney presented the staff report regarding this matter.

Addressing the City Council on this matter:

Maureen Feller – disputed the dismissal of the election lawsuit of 2010 and the date of election.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council adopted the following resolutions by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

- A) **Resolution No. 11-72,** calling and giving notice of the holding of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, for the election of certain officers as required by the provisions of the California Election Code.
- B) **Resolution No. 11-73,** requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to render specified services to the City related to the conduct of a General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012.
- C) **Resolution No. 11-74,** adopting regulations for candidates for elective office, pertaining to filing fees and candidate statements submitted to the voters at an election to be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012.
- D) **Resolution No. 11-75,** providing for the conduct of a special runoff election for elective offices in the event of a tie vote at the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012.
- NB 2. ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND AERO VIEW, LLC FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AERIAL SURVEILLANCE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (LASD)-LANCASTER STATION AND COVENANTS FOR FUTURE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, ACQUISITION, MANUFACTURE, ASSEMBLY, SALES, AND SERVICE OPERATIONS TO OCCUR IN LANCASTER.

The City Manager presented the staff report on this matter.

Council Member Johnson inquired as to the difference between this tool and Goggle Earth and a News Broadcast Helicopter; complete support for the Sheriff's Department and whatever they can do to get the bad guys.

Council Member Crist inquired as to the difference in response times with this new tool; confirmed that Plant 42 security was considered.

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Addressing the City Council on this matter:

Michael Rives – opposed to this action; concerns for officer safety.

Adam Chant – neutral on this matter; use due diligence regarding this matter.

Maureen Feller – opposed to this action; quoted a portion of constitution regarding the protection of citizens.

Lynde Williams – opposed to this action; money can be better spent elsewhere.

Ed Galinda – opposed to this action; concerned about constitutional issues.

Danelda Robbins – opposed to this action; concerned with the possible abuse of this endeavor.

Mark Pierson – in favor of this endeavor; crime is down; this is a winning team; this is another tool to send a strong message to the violators in this community.

Elaine High – in favor of this endeavor 100 percent.

Council Member Mann stated that it is important to balance creating a safe environment, seeking the most efficient ways. This will make the Sheriff's Department that much more efficient; he's proud to be a part of leveraging this technology to make this community safe.

Council Member Johnson – respects everyone's privacy; values her own privacy; as a child she was a victim of a crime and she wished that this technology had been around then to assist in apprehending the bad guys.

On a motion by Council Member Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the following actions by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

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  - A) Approved the Acquisition and Management Agreement (the "Agreement") between the City of Lancaster and Aero View, LLC for law enforcement aerial surveillance services to be provided to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD)-Lancaster Station and covenants for future business development, design, acquisition, manufacture, assembly, sales, and service operations to occur in Lancaster, and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement, and all other agreements and documents required to implement the agreement, with such modifications, additions, and/or deletions necessary as may be approved by the City Attorney.
  - B) Transferred \$1.3 million in funding from Account No.101-15BR001924 to Account No. 101-4810-753 for acquisition of aircraft platform, required avionics, and other equipment.
  - C) Appropriated \$1.3 million from TDA Article 8 fund balance to 206-15BR001924.

#### **URGENCY CLOSED SESSION**

The City Attorney stated that a matter for Closed Session arose after the posting of the agenda and requested Council/Agency consideration to add the following Urgency Closed Session item to the agenda:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a) - Pending Litigation Palmdale v. Lancaster

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council approved the addition of the aforementioned Urgency Closed Session matter to the agenda, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

On a motion by Vice Chairman Smith and seconded by Agency Director Mann, the Redevelopment Agency approved the addition of an Urgency Closed Session matter to the agenda, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Harvey, Mann, Szeto, Smith, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

**RECESS** Mayor Parris requested a brief recess at 7:10 p.m.

**RECONVENE** Mayor Parris reconvened the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

### NB 3. RESOLUTION APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH LANCASTER PROMENADE III, LLC.

The City Attorney presented the staff report regarding this matter.

Addressing the City Council on this matter:

Mark Pierson – stated that the BLVD is fantastic; it's great, especially on Thursday afternoons with the Farmer's Market. The BLVD is bringing the community together; it's a nice setting; a great start to what is going to be a fantastic project. Expressed some concerns regarding the kiosks; hopes they will not be competing with the permanent businesses.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Johnson, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 11-81**, approving certain actions in connection with Agreements with Lancaster Promenade III, LLC, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### NB 4. PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF NEWSRACK ORDINANCE

It was the consensus of the City Council to waive the presentation regarding this matter.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council introduced **Ordinance No. 972**, amending Chapter 12.24 of the Lancaster Municipal Code regarding newsracks, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 11-80**, establishing guidelines for newsracks located on the Boulevard, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

### JNB 1. RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF THE AUTHORITY'S REVENUE BONDS (SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM)

It was the consensus of the City Council/Power Authority to waive the presentation regarding this matter.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Smith and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 11-79**, approving the forms of and authorizing the execution of a Trust Agreement, a Bond Purchase Contract, a Property Lease, a Lease Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Agreement and an Official Statement relating to the issuance of the Lancaster Power Authority's Revenue Bonds (Solar Renewable Energy Program) and approving certain actions in connection therewith, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

## JNB 1. RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF THE AUTHORITY'S REVENUE BONDS (SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM) (continued)

On a motion by Vice Chairman Smith and seconded by Authority Member Crist, the Housing Authority adopted **Resolution No. PA 02-11**, approving the forms of and authorizing the execution of a Trust Agreement, a Bond Purchase Contract, a Property Lease, a Lease Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Agreement and an Official Statement relating to the issuance of the Power Authority's Revenue Bonds (Solar Renewable Energy Program) and approving certain actions in connection therewith, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### CA 2. CONSIDER NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF:

- a) NEWTON CHELETTE TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
- b) APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION -

On a motion by Mayor Parris and seconded by Council Member Crist, the City Council approved the nomination and appointment of Newton Chelette to the Criminal Justice Commission by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

At this time, the City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Newton Chelette.

Mayor Parris appointed Tim Fuller to be the Vice Chair of the Criminal Justice Commission.

# CA 3. CONSIDER NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS OF MARILYN NORRIS, MICHELLE SHAVER AND REBECCA SMITH TO THE LANCASTER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On a motion by Mayor Parris and seconded by Vice Mayor Smith, the City Council approved the nominations and appointments of Marilyn Norris, Michelle Shaver and Rebecca Smith to the LPAC Foundation Board by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Crist, Johnson, Mann, Smith, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

None

#### LANCASTER FINANCING AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

#### CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Manager stated that Dennis Anderson of the Antelope Valley Press talked about crowd estimates and how estimates are determined, so the City decided to take a scientific approach this time. A picture was taken of the crowd during the BooLVD event; then staff members counted people in a particular area; expanded that out over the entire length of the BLVD, reducing the amount as it got toward the end and determined that at one point in time there were between 24,000-27,000 people on the BLVD at that one time. People were coming and going and the crowd estimate of 35,000 might have been light. Many, many people attended; it was a great event. He thanked the Parks, Recreation staff, the Public Works staff and all the volunteers from all of the departments; they did a fantastic job with this event.

#### CITY CLERK /AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Clerk provided the public with the procedure to address the City Council/Redevelopment Agency regarding non-agendized items.

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

Addressing the City Council at this time:

Darleen Peterson – stated her concerns regarding the clutter on the BLVD in regards to commercial advertising; food establishments are being allowed to bring their business out on the sidewalk, hampering pedestrian traffic.

Chris Cowan – Veteran who served his country; came back to work with AMR; now unemployed; represents Occupy AV; invited the City Council to visit.

Michael Rives – concerned with the BooLVD – it was too crowded; consider moving the event to other streets and leave the BLVD for the parking and pedestrians to move freely.

Maureen Feller – quoted the first and fifth amendment of the constitution.

Mark Pierson – thanked all people serving our country abroad and at home. Wanted to clarify that many communities are experiencing an economic down turn; important to create an environment that has few obstacles for development; incentivize banks to move foreclose properties.

#### **COUNCIL / AGENCY COMMENTS**

Council Member Johnson thanked all Veterans for fighting to keep our constitutional rights safe.

#### RECESS

Mayor Parris recessed the meeting at 7:53 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a Closed Session meeting regarding:

#### **URGENCY CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a) - Pending Litigation Palmdale v. Lancaster

#### RECONVENE

Mayor Parris reconvened the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

#### CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Attorney announced that the Redevelopment Agency and the City Council met in Closed Session regarding the aforementioned matter and gave direction to the City Attorney/Legal Counsel pertaining to this matter.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Parris stated that pursuant to action taken by the City Council/Authority/Redevelopment Agency on August 9, 2011, there will not be a City Council//Redevelopment Agency/Authority meeting on November 22, 2011.

Mayor Parris adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. in memory of Mike Shively, a long time employee of the City of Lancaster. He brought a sense of community pride and loyalty to the community with everything that he did. He was extremely customer service oriented; an employee for 22 years; volunteered and stepped up wherever he was needed. He was an integral part of the construction team for the BLVD project. To commemorate his memory and his work with the City, the City and staff have sponsored a tree on the BLVD in his honor.

Mayor Parris stated that the next regular meeting would take place on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL/ FINANCING/H MINUTES NOVEMBER 8, 2011	IOUSING/POWER AUTHORITY
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED thisvote:	day of, 2011, by the following
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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
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ATTEST:	APPROVED:
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