

**LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD
MINUTES
JANUARY 15, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Brubaker called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Board Members: Fisher, Levin, Smith, Vose, Walker, Chair Brubaker

ABSENT: Vice Chair Vierra,

STAFF

MEMBERS: Executive Director; Assistant to the Executive Director; Finance Director; City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Vose

M 1. MINUTES

On a motion by Board Member Smith and seconded by Board Member Fisher, the Lancaster Successor Agency Oversight Board adopted **Resolution No. OB 01-13**, approving the Lancaster Successor Agency Oversight Board Regular Meeting minutes of December 18, 2012, by the following vote: 5-0-1-1; AYES: Fisher, Levin, Smith, Walker, Brubaker; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: Vose; ABSENT: Vierra

NB 1. RECEIVE REPORT REGARDING STEPS TO RECEIVING A “FINDING OF COMPLETION”

The Finance Director presented the staff report regarding this matter.

Discussion included information on how the Department of Finance may or may not deny housing asset transfers; understanding real property transfers; assisting the Department of Finance in helping them to understand the transfers; property management plan; identifying ways to deal with public use; vacant land; commercial property; deadlines that need to be met; land stays vacant until approved by the Department of Finance; legislation requires cities to maintain properties until determinations can be made; resources are being wasted while waiting for the Department of Finance to approve; significant challenges for the Department of Finance.

No action was necessary; the report was received and filed regarding steps for the “Finding of Completion.”

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NB 2. LOAN BETWEEN THE LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND THE CITY OF LANCASTER FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY – JUNE 2013

The Finance Director presented the staff report regarding this matter.

On a motion by Board Member Levin and seconded by Board Member Walker, the Lancaster Successor Agency Oversight Board adopted **Resolution No. OB 02-13**, establishing the terms and conditions and authorizing the execution of a promissory note in favor of the City of Lancaster for the distribution of funds to the Lancaster Successor Agency for administrative expenses for the period January to June 2013 pursuant to H & S Code Section 34173(h), by the following vote: 6-0-0-1; AYES: Fisher, Levin, Smith, Vose, Walker, Brubaker; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Vierra

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Executive Director stated that it helps him to view all of this as a rigged game. It is not fair and the people running the game have a vested interest in cities losing. What the City of Lancaster has tried to do is be smarter; follow the law; use to the advantage of the City; there can be a win and the City is blessed with some very smart people. He praised several staff members and the City Attorney who have kept the City on the right course of action and the City is doing what it needs to do. It is very frustrating and using TOPCO as an example – revenue could be accruing to the Successor Agency, which would accrue to the State. The City could help the State meet its AB 32 goals of renewable energy. There are a whole host of reasons why approving a contract with US TOPCO would have been in the best interest of everyone including the Successor Agency, but they did not approve it and the City moves on.

CITY CLERK /AUTHORITY SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Clerk stated that there were no speakers from the audience.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board Member Fisher introduced Mazie L. Brewington to the Board and staff. Ms. Brewington is expected to be approved by the Chancellor of the College District to replace Board Member Fisher on the Oversight Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Brubaker adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m. and stated that the next regular meeting of the Lancaster Oversight Board would take place on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 19th day of February, 2013, by the following vote:


AYES: Board Members: Brewington, Vose, Walker, Chair Brubaker

NOES: None


ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Board Members: Levin, Smith, Vice Chair Vierra

ATTEST:


GERI K. BRYAN, CMC
City Clerk
Lancaster, CA

APPROVED:


ELIZABETH BRUBAKER
Chair
Lancaster Successor Agency
Oversight Board

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES } ss
CITY OF LANCASTER }

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES
LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY OVERSIGHT BOARD

I, _____, _____ of the City of Lancaster, CA, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Lancaster Successor Agency Oversight Board 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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