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CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
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May 27, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist called the regular meeting of the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority to order at 5:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

EXCUSED: On a motion by Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Mann, the City Council/Agency/Authority excused Mayor/Chair Parris from the meeting, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; **AYES:** Johnson, Mann, Crist; **NOES:** None; **ABSTAIN:** None; **ABSENT:** Smith, Parris

ABSENT: Mayor/Chair Parris, Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Smith

STAFF

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

INVOCATION

Senior Pastor Matt Dumas, Central Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sabrina Rinehart, Teen Miss Rodeo California

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PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation to Geri K. Bryan, CMC, City Clerk for her dedicated service to the City of Lancaster
2. S.O.A.R. (Students On Academic Rise) High School Student of the Month – Evelyn Vasquez. Ms. Vasquez received a \$1,000 Mayor’s Scholarship.
3. Presentation to Trent Blankenship for his outstanding service to the community
4. Special Olympics World Games Presentation

CA 1. UPDATE ON JULY 4TH PBR RODEO EVENT AND OTHER ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIRGROUNDS EVENTS

Tim Fuller, Antelope Valley Fairgrounds Board of Directors President, provided information on the upcoming Antelope Valley Fair being held August 15-24, 2014. Mr. Fuller introduced Ron Emard, Marco Johnson and Johnny Zamrzla who provided information on the upcoming events being held at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds including Thunder on the Lot on June 7th and 8th, the A. V. Jazz Festival on June 14th, and the Professional Bull Riding (PBR) event on July 4th.

Council Member Johnson thanked the Board for all their hard work and for the information provided in the presentation.

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On a motion by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council/Agency/Authority approved the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority Regular Meeting minutes of May 13, 2014, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Johnson, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

CC 1.

ORDINANCE WAIVER

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

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CC 2.

WARRANT REGISTER

Approved the Check and Wire Registers for April 27, 2014 through May 10, 2014 in the amount of \$919,232.90.

CC 3.

MONTHLY REPORT OF INVESTMENTS

Accepted and approved the April 2014, Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

CC 4.

ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS FOR MAINTENANCE

Approved and accepted for maintenance the developer constructed streets, traffic signal, drainage improvements, recycled water system and street lighting system for Director's Review No. 11-78, located on the northwest corner of Avenue L and 5th Street West. Owner: Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc.

CC 5.

APPROVAL OF COMPLETED WATER SYSTEM

Approved the completed water system installed by the developer for Director's Review No. 11-78, located on the northwest corner of Avenue L and 5th Street West. Owner: Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc.

CC 6.

JOINT USE AGREEMENT WITH SCE – PWCP NO. 09-027

Approved the Joint Use Agreement with the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) to provide for the relocation of existing SCE facilities necessitated by the widening of Avenue J with PWCP 09-027, 25th Street East Alignment at Avenue J and Lancaster Boulevard project and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

CC 7.

ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS

Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map; Parcel Map No 72297, located on the southwest corner of East Avenue J and 20th Street East, owned by Front Gate Plaza, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; 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.

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CC 8.

APPROPRIATION OF PROGRAM INCOME

Program Income from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (NSP 1);
Program Income and Program Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
Development (NSP 3)

- a. Appropriated Program Income revenues of \$2,997,533 for funds received from the sale of Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP 1) homes pursuant to the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. Appropriated \$2,697,780 for program expenditures in Account No. 363-4542-770 and \$299,753 for administrative expenditures in Account No. 363-4542-101.
- b. Appropriated Program Income revenues of \$1,096,136 for funds received from the sale of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 (NSP 3) homes pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010. Appropriated \$986,522 for program expenditures in Account No. 363-4542-771 and \$109,614 for administrative expenditures in Account No. 363-4542-101.
- c. Appropriated Program Funds of \$492,959 from the original award of funds for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 (NSP 3) pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act of 2010. Appropriated \$492,959 for program expenditures in Account No. 363-4542-771.

CC 9.

SECOND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR NSP 3

Approved the Second Substantial Amendment for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 (NSP 3) to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Annual Action Plan for the 2010-11 Program Year to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The amendment will expand the target areas in which foreclosed homes can be acquired, rehabilitated and sold.

CC 10.

LANCASTER DRAINAGE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

- a. Adopted **Resolution No. 14-20**, generally describing any proposed improvements or substantial changes in existing improvements and ordering the Utility Services Manager to prepare and file a report for the Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District.
- b. Adopted **Resolution no. 14-21**, preliminarily approving the Engineer's Report, fixing time and place for public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessment and declaring its intention to levy and collect assessments within the Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District.

CC 11.

LANCASTER LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1

- a. Adopted **Resolution No. 14-22**, generally describing any proposed improvements or substantial changes in existing improvements and ordering the Utility Services Manager to prepare and file a report for the Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, pursuant to provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California.
- b. Adopted **Resolution No. 14-23**, preliminarily approving the Engineer's Report, fixing time and place for public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessment and declaring its intention to levy and collect assessments within the Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, pursuant to Part 2 of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California.

CC 12.

LANCASTER LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

- a. Adopted **Resolution No. 14-24**, generally describing any proposed improvements or substantial changes in existing improvements and ordering the City Engineer to prepare and file a report for the Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District, pursuant to provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California.
- b. Adopted **Resolution No. 14-25**, preliminarily approving the Engineer's Report, fixing time and place for public hearing on the levy of the proposed assessment and declaring its intention to levy and collect assessments within the Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District, pursuant to Part 2 of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California.

CC 13.

AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH VENCO WESTERN, INC.

Awarded a one (1) year contract, with an option of two, 2-year extensions to Venco Western, Inc. for **RFP No. 575-14 for Landscape Maintenance Services for Landscape Maintenance Areas** and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents. The total agreement period shall not exceed five (5) years. The annual cost of the contract is \$790,662.60.

CC 14.

APPROVAL OF QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS/SUB-CONTRACTORS

Approved the "List of Qualified Contractors and Sub-contractors" for Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Programs.

CC 15.

AWARD OF PROJECT NO. 14-HNRD208

Awarded **Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Construction Project No. 14-HNRD208, Tierra Bonita Park Playground Rehabilitation Project**, to R.E.Schultz Construction, of Silverado, California, in the amount of \$121,874.00, for the rehabilitation of the park with stationary equipment and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

CC 16.

ACCEPTANCE OF POLICY

Accepted and approved the Accounts Receivable Recognition and Write-Off Policy.

CC 17.

ORDINANCE NO. 997

Adopted **Ordinance No. 997**, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, establishing a Community Choice Aggregation Program.

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LANCASTER SEWER SYSTEM SERVICE CHARGES FOR MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING OF THE LANCASTER SEWER SYSTEM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

Vice Mayor Crist opened the Public Hearing. The Public Works Director presented the staff report regarding this matter.

Hearing no further testimony, Vice Mayor Crist closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 14-26**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, levying Lancaster Sewer System Service Charges for maintenance and servicing of the Lancaster Sewer System for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

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NB 1. STREET NAME CHANGE – SANCROFT AVENUE TO SANCROFT AVENUE/BURGESS WAY

The Public Works Director and the City Manager presented the staff report regarding this matter.

Addressing the City Council on this matter:

Ed Beurer discussed Mr. Burgess' history in the City including the various activities he was involved in; stated Mr. Burgess was instrumental in improving his neighborhood.

Gary Riley stated Mr. Burgess' contributions to the City began 30 years ago; the City's willingness to change the street name to honor Mr. Burgess is a good reflection on the City.

On a motion by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 14-27**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, declaring that portion of Sancroft Avenue between Avenue H-11 and Avenue H-14 to be co-named Burgess Way, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

NB 2.

PWCP NO. 13-005

The Public Works Director presented the staff report regarding this matter.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Johnson, the City Council approved the award of **Public Works Construction Project No. 13-005, Valley View Elementary School Pedestrian Improvements, SR2SL-5419(030)**, to Granite Construction Company of Lancaster, California, in the amount of \$1,145,451.00 plus a 10% contingency, to construct bicycle and pedestrian improvements, including detached meandering sidewalks, new curb ramps and parkway landscaping and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

This contract is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder per California Public Contract Code Section 22038(b).

NB 3. AGREEMENT REGARDING CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT OF TRANSACTIONS WITH CLUTTER MOTORS

The Economic Development Director presented the staff report regarding this matter.

On a motion by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved an agreement regarding consolidation and amendment of transactions with Clutter Motors and authorized the City Manager or his designee to execute all required documents, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

NB 4.

ORDINANCE NO. 998 – AMENDING TITLE 2 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE

Vice Mayor Crist stated Council Member Smith requested this item be continued.

The Assistant City Attorney presented the staff report regarding this matter and stated the proposed Ordinance is amended to read as follows:

Lancaster Municipal Code section 2.04.040 Vacancies, subdivision C

In the event the office of the mayor is declared by the city council to be vacant, the powers and duties of the mayor shall immediately and automatically transfer to and vest in the council member serving as the vice-mayor pursuant to [Section 2.04.020](#), who shall serve as Acting Mayor until the next general municipal election. The Acting Mayor shall appoint a person, subject to approval of a majority of the city council, who shall serve as a council member until the next general municipal election. The powers and duties of the mayor shall remain vested in the Acting Mayor until the next general municipal election, at which time the office of mayor will be filled by election. The person elected to the office of mayor shall hold the office for a full term.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Johnson, the City Council introduced **Ordinance No. 998 (as amended)**, amending Title 2 of the Lancaster Municipal Code by amending Sections 2.08.060 and 2.44.010 and by repealing existing and adding new Sections 2.04.020, 2.04.040 and 2.24.020, to update and revise miscellaneous administrative provisions, by the following vote: 3-0-0-2; AYES: Johnson, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Smith, Parris

CR 1.

REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Council Member Johnson presented the following information:

FY15 Draft Business Plan; Amendment #5 to Contract #2012-010 with Moore and Associates for Mobility Management Services; Contract Award – Motor Coach Industries (MCI) for Three Replacement Commuter Coaches; Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) Grant Award Conditions. Full report is available in the City Clerk Department. Additionally Council Member Johnson discussed grants for electric buses, including the number of electric buses suggested for the next several years.

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CR 2.

REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISTRICT NO. 14 OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY – MAY 15, 2014 MEETING

Council Member Mann presented the following information:

Approved warrants; approved departmental invoices; approved and ordered Executed Amended Joint Administration Agreement (2014), providing for Newhall Ranch Sanitation District (NRSD) to join Joint Administrative Organization of County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County; received and ordered filed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2012/2013. Additionally Council Member Mann discussed the acceptance of a new Sanitation District on the north end of Santa Clarita Valley.

LANCASTER FINANCING AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

LANCASTER POWER AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY

No action required at this time.

CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Manager stated the events and changes occurring at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds and the Antelope Valley Fair are exciting, thanked the AV Fair Board and stated he looks forward to what the next five years will bring.

CITY CLERK /AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Addressing the City Council at this time:

Maria Paesano – stated honoring Mr. Burgess is a good thing; discussed schools, applying for a business license and losing her home.

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PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS CONTINUED...

Jason Zink – discussed the freeway realignment, information related to Net Zero on the City’s website, establishing a skateboard park, purchasing land at the Prime Desert Woodlands and he discussed Steve Knight.

David Paul – thanked the Council for the action related to Gary Burgess; stated he loves his city; discussed the recent Memorial Day event and the commitment of the Council and City staff to their City.

COUNCIL / AGENCY COMMENTS

Council Member Johnson stated Mr. Burgess is a great example of citizens being proactive in our community and a great example of why the community is great.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Crist adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m. and stated the next **Special Meeting** would take place on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at **4:00** p.m.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of: Joseph Kahler who fought a courageous battle against cancer. Joe was born in Lancaster; attended Sacred Heart and Paraclete High School; played football and baseball and had a true love of sports. He wrote a book entitled: “Out On My Own...Now What?” His book won the Family Choice Award and he spoke at high schools and colleges across the country helping young people going “Out On Their Own”. He will always be remembered for his kindness, generosity, sense of humor, positive attitude, helping others, teaching and coaching kids. He was loved by so many people and will truly be missed.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____day of _____, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

GERI K. BRYAN, CMC
CITY CLERK/AGENCY
AUTHORITY SECRETARY
Lancaster, CA

R. REX PARRIS
MAYOR/CHAIRMAN
Lancaster, CA

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES
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I, _____, _____ of the City of Lancaster, CA, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority 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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