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**LANCASTER
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
FINANCING/POWER AUTHORITY
MINUTES
February 9, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Parris called the meeting of the Lancaster City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council Members/Agency Directors/Authority Members: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist, Mayor/Chair Parris

STAFF

MEMBERS: City Manager/Executive Director; Deputy City Manager/Deputy Executive Director, City Attorney/Agency/Authority Counsel; City Clerk/Agency/Authority Secretary; Planning Director; Development Services Director; Parks, Recreation and Arts Director; Public Safety Director, Finance Director; Economic Development Director; Housing Director; Deputy City Clerk

INVOCATION

Pastor Matt Chavez, Grace Chapel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs

PRESENTATION

Council Members Mann and Underwood-Jacobs welcomed Lancaster Station California Highway Patrol Captain Holguin.

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**SA NB 1. AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF TWO SERIES OF TAX
ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS**

The Finance Director presented the staff report on this item.

Addressing the Successor Agency on this item:

Maria Paesano – discussed the issuance of bonds.

On a motion by Vice Chair Crist and seconded by Agency Director Underwood-Jacobs, the Successor Agency adopted **Resolution No. SA 05-16**, amending Resolution No. SA 10-15, authorizing the issuance and sale of two series of Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, approving the form of two Indentures of Trust, and authorizing certain other actions in connection with the refunding, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

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On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority approved the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2016, by the following vote: 4-0-1-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: Parris; ABSENT: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item No.'s CC 2, 3, 5 and 8 were removed for separate discussion.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item No.'s CC 2, 3, 5 and 8, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

Addressing the City Council on Item No. CC 3

David Paul – discussed the National Anthem at the Super Bowl and stated he is opposed to the Ordinance.

Addressing the City Council on Item No.'s CC 2, 3, 5 and 8

Michael Rives – discussed security of the City and retaliation related to the Ordinance.

Maria Paesano – discussed maintenance of cemeteries and morgues.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved Item No.'s CC 2, 3, 5 and 8, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

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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 January 10, 2016, through January 23, 2016 in the amount of \$13,367,218.66.

CC 3. ORDINANCE 1011, AMENDING TITLE 8 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE BURIAL OR ENTOMBMENT OF PERSON COMMITTING A TERRORIST ACT

Adopted **Ordinance No. 1011**, amending Title 8 of the Lancaster Municipal Code by Chapter 8.60, relating to the burial or entombment of person committing a terrorist act.

CC 4. PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT 11-024

Accepted the work constructed by Traffic Development Services, Inc. for **Public Works Construction Project No. 11-024, Install Solar-Powered LED Stop Signs, HSIPL-5419(040)**, and directed the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion for the project. Retention on this project has been disbursed in accordance with California Public Contract Code.

CC 5. PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT 11-019

Approved an increase in the contract amount for **Public Works Capital Project No. 11-019 (13-027), Avenue L and Challenger Way Roundabout**, with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. of Lancaster, California, by \$35,795.00 and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

CC 6. APPROVAL OF PARCEL MAP NO. 71337

Approved Parcel Map No. 71337, located at the southwest corner of Avenue H and 10th Street West; 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; and 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.

CC 7. RESOLUTION NO. 16-06

Adopted **Resolution No. 16-06**, authorizing the submittal of application to the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) under the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program for which the City of Lancaster is eligible; and if selected, approving the execution of standard agreements and any amendments thereto, and any related documents necessary to participate.

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CC 8. HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION BID NO. 630-16

Awarded Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Neighborhood Stabilization Program Construction Project No. 630-16 to Hiesl Construction, Inc. of Acton, California, in the amount of \$338,750.00 (plus a 10% contingency) and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

CC 9. HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION BID NO. 629-16

Rejected all bids for Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Bid No. 629-16, Tierra Bonita Improvements Project. After careful review of the bid packages, it was determined that the scope of the project should be revised and the project rebid to obtain the best product for the City within the City's proposed budget.

NB 1. AMENDMENT TO TITLE 17 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE

The Assistant City Attorney and Public Safety Director presented the staff report on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the federal restrictions that force these types of businesses to operate as cash-only businesses; discussion took place regarding pursuing the opportunity for the City to be ahead of the restrictions to remove the cash-only issue. Additionally, the Council and staff discussed the regulation of medical marijuana locally, the future of the availability of marijuana in society and the local control this ordinance provides.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Fran Sereseres – agrees with putting the control in the City's hands.

David Paul – appreciates the progressive stance of the Mayor, suggests including a provision for mobile dispensaries; suggests putting something in place that doesn't restrict medical marijuana completely to allow those who need it to have access.

Melanie Coker – discussed previous marijuana ordinances adopted by the City, the medical need for marijuana, her involvement in a dispensary and the number of people she has helped with cancer through the use of medical marijuana.

Michael Rives – discussed his work with cancer patients, agrees with the proposed Ordinance.

Jason Zink – discussed the absence of stakeholders on the Criminal Justice Commission that are impacted by similar issues such a marijuana and smoke shops and sale of alcohol, agrees with the Mayor that the City should get ahead of the issue, suggests the City sponsor an Antelope Valley alcohol, tobacco and marijuana association.

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**NB 1. AMENDMENT TO TITLE 17 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE
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Sheldon Blum – discussed the wording in the ordinance, the number of states who have legalized marijuana, discussed the medical conditions that can be treated with marijuana, and discussed property he owns in the Antelope Valley.

Discussion of proper regulation took place. Additionally it was stated, the purpose of the proposed ordinance is to allow the City to take time to analyze the issue to determine what the best course of action is.

Christopher Clark – discussed the use of medical marijuana for cancer patients, the legislation recently adopted by the State of California and the various license categories offered by the State.

The Mayor requested staff work with the Criminal Justice Commission and Planning Commission to establish a plan that would increase the welfare of the City.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council introduced and adopted **Urgency Ordinance No. 1012**, amending Title 17 of the Lancaster Municipal Code (“Zoning”) by adding a new section, 17.04.235 to Chapter 17.04 (“General Provisions”), relating to the prohibition of medical marijuana dispensaries and the cultivation and/or delivery of marijuana (the “Medical Marijuana Urgency Ordinance”), by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council directed staff to work with the Planning Commission and Criminal Justice Commission to analyze and consider whether regulations can be carefully crafted that would allow commercial medical marijuana activity to occur in the City while protecting the public from the detrimental secondary effects of such activity, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

NB 2. CITY OF LANCASTER ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROGRAM

The Public Safety Director presented the update on this item.

Received and filed update regarding the City of Lancaster Administrative Citation Program

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NB 3. FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 MID-YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

The Finance Director presented the staff report on this item.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Michael Rives – discussed specific funds involved with this item.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Mid-Year Budget Revenue and Expenditure Adjustments, as summarized in Attachment A, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the addition of three new positions of the 2015-2016 Workforce; positions are Lead Maintenance Worker, Maintenance Worker II, Maintenance Worker I, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

CR 1. REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISTRICT NO. 14 OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Council Member Mann stated he provided this update at the most recent City Council meeting.

CR 2. COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs discussed the recent Transportation Summit at which the use of unused Measure R funds was discussed.

LANCASTER HOUSING AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

LANCASTER FINANCING AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

LANCASTER POWER AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

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CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Manager congratulated Paraclete High School graduate Todd Davis who plays for the Super Bowl Champion Denver Broncos and discussed the long range strike bomber being designed and built in the Antelope Valley at Northrup Grumman. The City Manager showed two videos which highlighted a Business Incubator Program and the roundabout located at Avenue L and Challenger way.

Council Member Mann discussed the benefits of the roundabout at the intersection of Avenue L and Challenger way.

The Mayor requested a brief recess at 6:22 p.m.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

CITY CLERK /AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Addressing the City Council at this time:

Michael Rives – discussed the Medical Mainstreet project, requested the City work with the homeowners in the project area.

George Beatty – discussed the placement of temporary bus stops in various locations of the City.

Heather Brown – discussed Chromium 6 in the local water.

Shannon McDonald – discussed community policing and crime statistic articles in the newspaper.

Jason Zink – discussed Measure R funds, closure of DMV offices, roundabout art, the color of concrete, the upcoming Sanitation District tour and forming a Community Services District.

Fran Sereseres – discussed recent Board of Supervisors meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor/Chair Parris adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m. and stated the next meeting would take place on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

BRITT AVRIT, CMC
CITY CLERK
AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY

R. REX PARRIS
MAYOR/CHAIRMAN

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

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/FINANCING/POWER AUTHORITY

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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