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**LANCASTER  
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/  
FINANCING/POWER AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
March 8, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist 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

**EXCUSED:** Mayor/Chair Parris

On a motion by Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Mann and seconded by Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Malhi, the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority excused Mayor/Chair Parris from the meeting, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: 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, Energy Manager; Economic Development Director; Housing Director; Deputy City Clerk

**INVOCATION**

Pastor Matt Dumas, Central Christian Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Mann

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**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Declaration of MS Awareness Week, March 7-13, 2016  
Presenter: Council Member Mann
2. Recognition of Lancaster School District and Summary of LCE Savings  
Presenter: Energy Manager, Patti Garibay

**M 1. MINUTES**

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority approved the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2016, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs stated she needs to recuse herself from Item No. CC 2 due to a refund her campaign is receiving from the rental of Zelda's and left the dais at this time.

Addressing the City Council on items on the Consent Calendar:

Michael Rives – discussed legal bills on the Check Register; discussed Antelope Valley Hospital and foreclosing on property owners for Item No. CC 3 and inquired about the property owner involved with Item No. CC 4.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council approved Item No. CC 2 by the following vote: 3-0-1-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; RECUSED: Underwood-Jacobs; ABSENT: Parris

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs returned to the dais at this time.

Maria Paesano - discussed schools, energy, hospitals, and properties involved with the PACE program.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council approved the remaining items on the Consent Calendar by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: 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 February 7, 2016 through February 20, 2016 in the amount of \$3,240,267.77.

**CC 3. RESOLUTION 16-10**

Adopted **Resolution No. 16-10**, consenting to the inclusion of properties within the City's jurisdiction in the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) Open Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program to finance seismic strengthening, energy efficiency and water efficiency improvements, renewable energy upgrades, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure for residential and commercial buildings; authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all documents and make any non-substantive changes necessary to complete the transaction.

**CC 4. JOINT TAX TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

Adopted the Joint Tax Transfer Resolution approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenue for proposed Annexation No. 2007-29, located on the northeast corner of Avenue L-12 and 37th Street West, into the Quartz Hill Water District.

**PH 1. AMENDMENT TO LANCASTER CHOICE ENERGY CUSTOMER POWER RATES SCHEDULE**

Vice Mayor Crist opened the Public Hearing.

The Energy Manager presented the staff report on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the impact of the new rates on small businesses.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Maria Paesano – discussed residential programs.

Vice Mayor Crist closed the Public Hearing

On a motion by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 16-11**, amending Resolution No. 15-70 establishing customer power generation rates for Lancaster Choice Energy, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

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**NB 1. LANCASTER CHOICE ENERGY SMART CHOICE CAMPAIGN**

The Energy Manager presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the benefits of being part of this program.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Maria Paesano – discussed Southern California Edison’s CARE Program.

Received and filed the update regarding Lancaster Choice Energy’s upcoming campaign for the Smart Choice program.

**NB 2. ANNEXATION UPDATE**

The Planning Director presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included clarification of the consideration by LAFCO of electricity within the annexation process.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Maria Paesano – addressed the Council

Received and filed the update regarding the annexation process.

**NB 3. APRIL 12, 2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTION UPDATE**

The City Clerk presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included clarification of the ballot inspection process and the timing of Vote-by-Mail ballots.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Maria Paesano – discussed the election.

Michael Rives – discussed the sample ballot books and election brochures.

Received and filed the update regarding the April 12, 2016 General Municipal Election.

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**CA 1. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA MAGALLANES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VISITORS BUREAU OF LANCASTER**

Council Member Mann provided the background relating to the recommendation of Ms. Magallanes to this position.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council appointed Melissa Magallanes to the Board of Directors of the Visitors Bureau of Lancaster, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CR 1. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Malhi discussed a recent meeting regarding the Medical Main Street project.

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the recent Board of Trade Outlook Conference.

**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.

**LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

No action required at this time.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT**

The City Manager thanked the City Communications staff for their hard work and for the excellent job at the Board of Trade Outlook Conference; three videos were shown showcasing the recent recognition of Superbowl Champion and Paraclete Alum Todd Davis, the Hunter Dodge auto dealership in the Auto Mall, and the upcoming Los Angeles County Air Show.

**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.

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

Addressing the City Council at this time:

Maria Paesano – discussed the videos shown, elections, locations of businesses and withdrawing money at Walmart.

Ronald Wilson – discussed issues his business of distributing free cell phones has encountered.

Francisco Vazquez – discussed free cell phone distribution.

Wally Melendez – stated he appreciates being able to address the Council at City Council meetings, discussed the City purchasing land at an intersection in the City to place a “branch” of Antelope Valley College.

Ted Powers – discussed his experience with the Neighborhood Watch Program and the issues in his neighborhood.

David Paul – discussed Lancaster Choice Energy, the Business Outlook Conference and a recent Sanitation tour he participated in.

Fran Sereseres – discussed a women’s prison, the homeless shelter on Avenue I and 60<sup>th</sup> Street West; an upcoming luncheon at the Hellenic Center and the arrest of a homeless person.

**COUNCIL / AGENCY COMMENTS**

Planning Commission Chairman Vose discussed potential items to be discussed at upcoming Planning Commission meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist stated the City Council meeting will be adjourned in memory of Adell Rice; Mr. Rice was Council Member Underwood-Jacobs’ grandfather, a World War II marine veteran and was one of the first men on the ground in the battle of Iwo Jima.

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist stated the meeting will also be adjourned in memory of Retired Deputy Sheriff Stephen Bate. Deputy Bate served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Constellation, was a Vietnam War Veteran and retired from the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department after approximately 23 years of service. He will be deeply missed by family and friends.

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m. and stated the next meeting would take place on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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BRITT AVRIT, CMC  
CITY CLERK  
AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY

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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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