

**LANCASTER  
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/  
FINANCING/POWER AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
March 28, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor/Chair Parris called the meeting of the Lancaster City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power Authority to order at 5:25 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; Development Services Director; Finance Director; Economic Development Director; Housing Director; Public Safety Director; Senior Operations Manager; Deputy City Clerk

**INVOCATION**

Pastor John Meadors, Christian Life Assembly

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Fulton & Alsbury Academy Robotics Team Member

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**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award  
Presenter: Pam Statsmann, Finance Director
2. Antelope Valley College Facilities Plan and Construction Update  
Presenter: Antelope Valley College President, Ed Knudson
3. Recognition of Fulton & Alsbury Academy's Robotics Team on winning the VEX Robotics California State Championship in Bakersfield  
Presenter: Mayor Parris
4. Introduction of new Lancaster Station Captain Todd Weber  
Presenters: Mayor Parris and Captain Nelson

**M 1. MINUTES**

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 Regular Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2017, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Item No.'s CC 2, CC 5 and CC 6 were removed for separate discussion.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item No.'s CC 2, CC 5 and CC 6, 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 2:

Fran Sereseres – discussed payments to Zelda's on the Check Register.

Addressing the City Council on Item No.'s CC 5 and CC 6:

Michael Rives – discussed emissions from motor vehicles, timing of traffic signals and stated marijuana isn't needed in the City.

Addressing the City Council on Item No. CC 6:

Christopher Clark – discussed the benefits of marijuana, pioneering the future of the marijuana industry, and safe access to marijuana.

David Paul – discussed personal responsibility.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR CONTINUED...**

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council approved Item No.'s CC 2, CC 5 and CC 6, by the following vote: 5-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, 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 February 19, 2017, through March 4, 2017 in the amount of \$5,084,084,80.

**CC 3. INVESTMENT REPORT**

Accepted and approved the February 2017, Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

**CC 4. MEMBERSHIP IN CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY**

Approved the form of resolution authorizing new cities to join as Associate Member of the California Choice Energy Authority (CCEA), a joint exercise of powers authority of the City of Lancaster and City of San Jacinto.

Approved the form of Administrative Services Agreement, allowing the CCEA to provide Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Services on behalf of Associate Members and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all documents and make any non-substantive changes necessary to complete the transaction.

**CC 5. RESOLUTION NO. 17-14, APPROVING CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

Adopted **Resolution No. 17-14**, approving the Climate Action Plan (CAP) and certifying the associated Initial Study.

**CC 6. ORDINANCE 1021**

Adopted **Ordinance No. 1021**, (the "Ordinance"), adding Chapter 5.60 to the Lancaster Municipal Code relating to the prohibition of nonmedical marijuana businesses.

**CPH 1. RESOLUTION NO. 17-15, ESTABLISHING THE FINE AND PENALTY AMOUNT FOR VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 5.60 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO NONMEDICAL MARIJUANA**

The City Attorney presented the staff report on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the amount of the proposed fines and the justification of those proposed fines. Additionally, Proposition 64 was discussed as it relates to what is allowed for personal growth. The City Council and staff discussed revising the proposed Resolution to establish fines based on the number of offenses; the ultimate goal is compliance for nonmedical marijuana.

It was the consensus of the City Council to revise the fines in the proposed Resolution as follows: for the first violation \$1,000, for the second violation \$5,000, for the third violation \$10,000 and for the fourth and all successive violations \$20,000.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

David Paul – discussed growing marijuana and prohibitions being placed on those who need it for medical purposes; discussed a city that dispensed a large quantity of Oxycontin, and discussed marijuana as a gateway drug.

Mayor Parris closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 17-15 as revised**, (the “Resolution”), establishing the fine and penalty amount for violations of Chapter 5.60 of the Lancaster Municipal Code relating to nonmedical marijuana, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

**PH 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE ANNUAL SURCHARGE FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION AND MEDICAL CANNABIS MANUFACTURING TO OFFSET ANY IMPACTS THE OPERATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION AND MEDICAL CANNABIS MANUFACTURING MAY HAVE ON THE CITY**

Mayor Parris opened the Public Hearing.

The City Manager presented the staff report on this item.

Vice Mayor Crist requested clarification from the City Attorney regarding his past vote on this issue.

Council Member Mann stated for the record he intends to vote yes and would like it known it is a protest yes vote.

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Addressing the City Council on this item:

Shannon McDonald – provided her credentials and discussed statistics for the number of deaths associated with various legal substances.

Christopher Clark – discussed his desire to do business in the City, suggests the City find a way to allow cultivators to sell marijuana and to move the product from the City.

Mayor Parris closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 17-16** (the “Resolution”), amending Resolution No. 17-04 and establishing a separate annual surcharge for medical cannabis cultivation and medical cannabis manufacturing to offset any impacts the operation of medical cannabis cultivation and medical cannabis manufacturing may have on the city, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

**NB 1. REVIVE 25 UPDATE**

The Development Services Director and Senior Projects Coordinator presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of funding for the pavement management program and freeway interchange projects. Additionally, discussion took place regarding analyzing the impact on air quality from the substance being placed on the roads. Discussion of building high density housing next to freeways and analyzing the science behind any impacts there may be took place.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Fran Sereseres – discussed future work on streets and sidewalks.

Received and filed the update regarding the City’s Revive 25 Program

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**NB 2. UPDATE ON ANTELOPE ACRES COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

The Deputy City Manager presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of notifying citizens when large amounts of dust are in the air and making people aware of when to use masks such as when dust storms are occurring.

Addressing the City Council on this item:  
Michael Rives – discussed his concerns of the impacts of radiation.

Received and filed the update regarding the Antelope Acres Coordinating committee

**CR 1. REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the brief work stoppage that occurred recently at the AVTA.

**CR 2. REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISTRICT NO. 14 OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

Mayor Parris discussed water from the Sanitation District that contains nutrients for plants and discussed lowering fees for Sanitation District customers.

**CR 3. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Vice Mayor Crist discussed a recent TDA Article 8 meeting; discussed carpools being offered to Edwards Air Force Base and the LA basin through the AVAQMD and stated the AV Fair Board is revisiting plans for a future Convention Center to be built at the Fairgrounds.

**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.

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**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT**

The City Manager discussed the upcoming 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ‘throw-back Thursday’ celebrations occurring for City staff. A brief video showcasing a local manufacturing company and “Made in Lancaster” was shown and discussion of the new banners on The Blvd which include students and local teams took place.

**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:

Mr. Fortson – discussed an incident he was involved in with the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department.

Juan Jose Rodriguez – discussed issues he has at a specific mobile home park.

Christopher Clark – stated the newspaper published information he discussed at a recent City Council meeting and apologized if the information had a negative impact on anyone, and stated his business goal is to provide safe access to marijuana for those who need it.

Michael Rives – discussed his attendance at the Hospital District meetings and suggests creating a temperature controlled bubble to cover the future Medical Main Street area.

**COUNCIL / AGENCY COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Parris adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m. and stated the next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 25<sup>h</sup> day of April, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs; Vice Mayor Crist

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Mayor Parris

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



BRITT AVRIT, MMC  
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 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

(seal)

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