

**LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
May 9, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Hearn called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.
ROLL CALL	<p>Present: Council Members: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Vice-Mayor Sileo, Mayor Hearn</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Staff Members: City Attorney, City Clerk, Assistant City Managers, Planning Director, Assistant Finance Director, Parks, Recreation and Arts Director, Public Works Director, Human Resources Director, Economic Development Director, Housing Director</p>
AGENDA ITEMS TO BE REMOVED	None
APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR	On a motion by Council Member Jeffra and seconded by Vice Mayor Sileo, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None
ORDINANCE WAIVER CC 1.	Waived further reading of any proposed ordinances. (This permits reading the title only in lieu of reciting the entire text.)
MINUTES CC 2.	Approved the Regular meeting minutes of April 25, 2006.
WARRANT REGISTER CC 3.	Approved the Warrant Register (April 2, 2006 through April 22, 2006) in the amount of \$7,995,693.16.
MONTHLY REPORT OF INVESTMENTS CC 4.	Accepted and approved the March 31, 2006 Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

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<p>RESO. NO. 06-94 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE FOR VARIOUS CLASSIFICATIONS CC 5.</p>	<p>Adopted Resolution No. 06-94, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, amending Resolution No. 04-37, amending the compensation schedule for the various classifications.</p>
<p>ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY WITH DEBRA BLAKELY CC 6.</p>	<p>Approved Agreement for Acquisition of Real Property between the City of Lancaster and Debra Blakely for property located at 1318 West Avenue J-2.</p>
<p>ACQUISTION OF REAL PROPERTY WITH OSCAR AND IDALIA CASTILLO CC 7.</p>	<p>Approved Agreement for Acquisition of Real Property between the City of Lancaster and Oscar Castillo and Idalia Castillo for property located at 1303 West Avenue J-2.</p>
<p>MONUMENTATION WORK FOR TRACT NOS. 47179 / 47179-01 CC 8.</p>	<p>Approved the monumentation work for Tract No. 47179 / 47179-01, located at the northeast corner of Avenue J-4 and 42nd Street West. Owner: Richmond American Homes of CA, Inc.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF STREETS FOR MAINTENANCE FOR TRACT NOS. 47179 / 47179-01 CC 9.</p>	<p>Approved the developer constructed streets and accepted the streets for maintenance by the City for Tract No. 47179/47179-01, located at the northeast corner of Avenue J-4 and 42nd Street West. Owner: Richmond American Homes of CA, Inc.</p>
<p>AGREEMENT FOR NEEDED RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS FOR TRACT NO. 061042 CC 10.</p>	<p>Approved an agreement with KB Home Greater Los Angeles, Inc. a California Corporation, the developer of Tract No. 061042, to provide needed right-of-way for required street improvements for the tract through condemnation proceedings.</p>

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<p>REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MASTER PLANNED DRAINAGE FACILITIES FOR TRACT MAP NO. 60614 CC 11.</p>	<p>Approved the Reimbursement Agreement for the Construction of Master Planned Drainage Facilities – Tract Map No. 60614, located at the southwest corner of Avenue K-4 and 20th Street East, with Grand View Condos Development Company, Inc. (GVCDC).</p>
<p>TAX SHARING RESOLUTIONS FOR ANNEX. NOS. 40-96 AND 40-98 INTO LA COUNTY WATERWORKS DIST. NO. 40 CC 12.</p>	<p>Adopted the Tax Sharing Resolutions for proposed Annexations 40-96 and 40-98 (4-162 and 4-164) into Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 54406 CC 13.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 54406, located west of 5th Street East at Avenue J-14; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 060858 CC 14.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 060858, located at the northeast corner of 45th Street West and Jackman Street; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>

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<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 060943 CC 15.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 060943, located at the southwest corner of Avenue K-8 and Carol Drive; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 060987 CC 16.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 060987, located at the southwest corner of Avenue J and 52nd Street West; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 061033 CC 17.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 061033, located at the southwest corner of Avenue M and 30th Street West; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 061078 CC 18.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 061078, located at northwest corner of Avenue K-8 and 15th Street East; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>

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<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 061079 CC 19.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 061079, located south of Avenue K-6 at Carpenter Drive; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR TRACT NO. 061342 CC 20.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract No. 061342, located at the southeast corner of 45th Street West and Avenue M-12; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF MAP AND DEDICATIONS FOR PARCEL NO. 063096 CC 21.</p>	<p>Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Parcel No. 063096, located at the southwest corner of Avenue K-12 and Capital Drive; approved and accepted the Undertaking Agreement and Improvement Securities required as a condition of recordation of the map; 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.</p>
<p>MULTI-YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENTS CC 22.</p>	<p>Approved Multi-Year Professional Service Agreements with each of the pre-qualified design consulting firms on the attached list. Authorized the City Manager, or his designee to sign all documents.</p>

Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District

RESO. NOS.
06-95 AND 06-96
ANNEX. NOS.
06-19; 06-23;
06-30; 06-32
TO LDBAD
CC 23.

Annexation No. 06-19, Permit No. 06-00605, located at 41928 Calle Californios. Owner: Derek McMurtry, a Married Man as His Sole and Separate Property.

Annexation No. 06-23, Tract No. 061206, located at the southeast corner of Avenue J and future 35th Street East. Owner: Western Pacific Housing, Inc., a Delaware Corporation.

Annexation No. 06-30, Tract No. 061118, located at the northeast corner of Avenue J and future 62nd Street West. Owner: Matthews Land, Inc., a California Corporation.

Annexation No. 06-32, Permit No. 06-00872, located on the south side of Avenue H-4, approximately 160 feet east of 35th Street East. Owner: Geoff A. Underwood and Lynne M. Underwood, As Joint Tenants.

A) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-95**, initiating proceedings for the annexation of territories to Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District to be established pursuant to the Benefit Assessment Act of 1982 and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 06-19, 06-23, 06-30, and 06-32.)

B) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-96**, approving the Engineer's Report and the time and place for Public Hearing, and declaring its intention to annex territories into Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District and to levy and collect assessments pursuant to the Benefit Assessment Act of 1982 and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 06-19, 06-23, 06-30, and 06-32.)

Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District

RESO. NOS.
06-97 AND 06-98
ANNEX. NOS.
653; 671; 678;
685; 687
TO LLMD
CC 24.

Annexation No. 653, Permit No. 05-06935, located at 4037 Paddock Way. Owner: Mark McGalliard and Jolene McGalliard, Husband and Wife as Joint Tenants.

Annexation No. 671, Permit No. 06-00605, located at 41928 Calle Californios. Owner: Derek McMurtry, a Married Man as His Sole and Separate Property.

Annexation No. 678, Tract No. 061206, located at the southeast corner of Avenue J and future 35th Street East. Owner: Western Pacific Housing, Inc., a Delaware Corporation.

Annexation No. 685, Tract No. 061118, located at the northwest corner of Avenue J and future 62nd Street West. Owner: Matthews Land, Inc., a California Corporation.

Annexation No. 687, Permit No. 06-00872, located on the south side of Avenue H-4, approximately 160 feet east of 35th Street East. Owner: Geoff A. Underwood and Lynne M. Underwood, As Joint Tenants.

A) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-97**, initiating proceedings for the annexation of territories into Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District, an Assessment district established pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 653, 671, 678, 685, and 687.)

B) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-98**, approving the Engineer's Report and the time and place for Public Hearing, and declaring its intention to annex territories into Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District and to levy and collect assessments pursuant to Part 2 of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 653, 671, 678, 685, and 687.)

**Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Landscape Maintenance
District No. 1:**

RESO. NOS.
06-99 AND 06-100
ANNEX. NOS.
347 AND 350
TO LMD
CC 25.

Annexation No. 347, Tract No. 061206, located at the southeast corner of Avenue J and future 35th Street East. Owner: Western Pacific Housing, Inc., a Delaware Corporation.

Annexation No. 350, Tract No. 061118, located at the northeast corner of Avenue J and future 62nd Street West. Owner: Matthews Land, Inc., a California Corporation.

A) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-99**, initiating proceedings for the annexation of territories into Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, an Assessment District established pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 347 and 350.)

B) Adopted **Resolution No. 06-100**, approving the Engineer's Report and the time and place for Public Hearing, and declaring its intention to annex territories into Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 and to levy and collect assessments pursuant to Part 2 of Division 15 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California and California Constitution Article XIID (Annexation Nos. 347 and 350.)

**Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District
and associated assessments**

RESO. NO. 06-101
CONFIRMING
DIAGRAMS AND
ASSESSMENTS FOR
ANNEX. NOS.
06-19; 06-23;
06-30; 06-32
TO LDBAD
PH 1.

Mayor Hearn opened the public hearing. The Public Works Director presented the staff report. There being no further testimony, Mayor Hearn closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Council Member Jeffra and seconded by Vice Mayor Sileo, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 06-101**, confirming the diagrams and assessments and ordering the annexation of territories into Lancaster Drainage Benefit Assessment District and levy of assessment (Annexation Nos. 06-19, 06-23, 06-30, and 06-32), by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

**Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District
and associated assessments**

RESO. NO. 06-102
CONFIRMING
DIAGRAMS AND
ASSESSMENT FOR
ANNEX. NOS.
653; 671; 678;
685; 687
TO LLMD
PH 2.

Mayor Hearn opened the public hearing. The Public Works Director presented the staff report. There being no further testimony, Mayor Hearn closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Sileo and seconded by Council Member Jeffra, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 06-102**, confirming the diagrams and assessments and ordering the annexation of territories into Lancaster Lighting Maintenance District (Annexation Nos. 653, 671, 678, 685, and 687), by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

<p>RESO. NO. 06-103 CONFIRMING DIAGRAMS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR ANNEX. NOS. 347 AND 350 TO LMD PH 3.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Proposed Annexations to Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 and associated assessments:</u></p> <p>Mayor Hearn opened the public hearing. The Public Works Director presented the staff report. There being no further testimony, Mayor Hearn closed the public hearing.</p> <p>On a motion by Vice Mayor Sileo and seconded by Council Member Smith, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 06-103, confirming the diagrams and assessments and ordering the annexation of territories into Lancaster Landscape Maintenance District No. 1 (Annexation Nos. 347 and 350), by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.</p>
<p>ORD. NO. 854 AMENDMENT TO TITLE 17 OF THE LMC REGARDING WINERIES IN RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONES PH 4.</p>	<p>Mayor Hearn opened the public hearing. The Planning Director presented the staff report regarding an amendment to Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Lancaster Municipal Code to allow the addition of wineries in Rural Residential Zones. There being no further testimony, Mayor Hearn closed the public hearing.</p> <p>On a motion by Council Member Jeffra and seconded by Council Member Smith, the City Council introduced Ordinance No. 854, amending Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) of the Lancaster Municipal Code with the addition of Section 17.08.070.EE to allow wineries, subject to a conditional use permit, in the Rural Residential Zones, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.</p>

<p>CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE NB 1.</p>	<p>The Parks, Recreation and Arts Director presented the staff report regarding Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Cultural Comprehensive Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Questions/Comments from the Council included: estimated time frame to complete the process; representatives from the elementary school districts; involvement from citizens in outlying areas such as Antelope Acres.</p> <p>Addressing the Council on this matter: Richard Lee Campbell, representing the Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District, was in favor of the project and offered expertise and resources regarding adequate parks and open space.</p> <p>On a motion by Mayor Hearn and seconded by Council Member Jeffra, the City Council approved the Citizen's Advisory Committee to assist in guiding the community through the Parks, Recreation, Open Space and cultural Comprehensive Plan, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.</p>
<p>APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH MANN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION CA 1.</p>	<p>On a motion by Council Member Smith and seconded by Council Member Visokey, the City Council approved the appointment of Kenneth Mann to the Planning Commission for a two-year term to expire April 22, 2008, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.</p>
<p>APPOINTMENT OF MARY FAUX TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION CA 2.</p>	<p>On a motion by Council Member Smith and seconded by Council Member Visokey, the City Council approved the appointment of Mary Faux to the Planning Commission for a four-year term to expire April 27, 2010, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; AYES: Jeffra, Smith, Visokey, Sileo, Hearn; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.</p>

**PROPOSED
RESOLUTION FOR
JESSICA'S LAW
CA 3.**

Sexual Predator Punishment and Control Act of 2006 — Jessica's Law.

Council Member Smith requested that a resolution come back to the City Council at the next meeting (May 23, 2006) regarding Jessica's Law.

Additionally, Council Member Smith requested that the City look into Predator Free/Kid Safe Zones. Jessica's Law will set a 2000 foot safe area around schools and parks and will also allow municipal governments to set their own child-safe/predator free zones. Examples would be public libraries; children friendly restaurants such as Chuck E. Cheese. This needs to be looked into and would like the City of Lancaster to be ahead of the game and set some strict zones. Council Member Smith proposed that the City look into organizing a Citizen's Ad Hoc Committee that actually looks into where the zones should be.

City Manager, Bob LaSala stated that staff will come back to Council at a future meeting with a work plan and a proposal on how to go about selecting the committee. Council was in favor and directed staff to look into this matter.

City Attorney, David McEwen, stated that the City can adopt an ordinance on this matter. One city has taken this action already and the ordinance can be very short and to the point. There are number of issues that apply to this, one of which is that the state has preempted the field of regulation of punishment of sexual predators. There are several categories of registered sexual offenders. There are also issues related to the constitutionally guaranteed right to travel, both in federal and state constitutions that have an impact on how much a city can and can not do in terms of regulating where sexual predators can live or travel. The City will need to look into this and consider it very carefully. One city used a 300 foot distance factor, but it is very fact driven and studies need to be done to determine where these people can still live and travel. Under the constitution, these rights can not be taken away completely. With the passing of Jessica's Law, this will give the City authorization to do more than it currently does.

DISCUSSION OF
PROS AND CONS OF
BROADCASTING
CITY COUNCIL
MEETINGS
CA 4.

Discussion of pros and cons of broadcasting City Council meetings via video; webcam; streaming video to allow for more access to the meetings by the public.

Council Member Smith stated that it is important to give better access to citizen's who are not able to make it to Council meetings. He stated that he has discussed this with the City Manager and if the City went with video and broadcasting, lighting would have to be changed; equipment would be very expensive. A suggestion from Council Member Smith was to initially start with digital recordings of Council meetings and have it put on the internet for streaming or downloading, so someone could actually listen to the meeting. Adelphia is willing to sit down with staff and discuss services they can provide.

Council Member Jeffra stated that a few years ago he was involved in a telephone poll and the consensus was that people were not interested in seeing Council meetings on television and he stated that he was flexible either way.

Council Member Sileo stated that there is a positive benefit to hearing or seeing what goes on a Council meeting, off line – other than 6 p.m. on a Tuesday night. The number of people this would benefit is not a large number. If the City does undertake this, he would support starting only with audio, not video and it can be done at a much lower cost. Downloading/webcasting/streaming video would enable the City to actually keep track of how many people are actually taking advantage of this service. It is not the cost of audio that is expensive, but it would take staff time and that is an ongoing cost. Audio could be done for a limited amount of time and have staff come back with a report showing the usage, and if no one uses it, why spend the money to do it.

Council Member Visokey stated that he likes the idea but he wasn't sure if the benefit would outweigh the costs.

City Manager, Bob LaSala, stated that he does have some estimates from some technical consultants. They have told the City that to stream audio on the internet there would be an initial investment of equipment at the cost of \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00 and an ongoing operational expense of about \$12,000.00 per year. If the Council decided on video and streaming that on the internet, it would be an initial expense of about \$75,000.00 to \$100,000.00 per year in equipment costs and another approximately \$40,000.00 per year to pay operational expenses and staffing. If the Council wanted to add access to cable television, there would be additional equipment costs associated with that.

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<p>DISCUSSION OF PROS AND CONS OF BROADCASTING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS CA 4. (continued)</p>	<p>Council Member Visokey requested the City Manager pull some figures together, and give to Council to think about and decide what would be best for the citizenry.</p> <p>Council Member Smith stated that the City does need to go toward digital some day, archiving would be easier and magnetic tapes don't last that long.</p> <p>City Manager, Bob LaSala stated that this is an issue that can stand alone and not incorporated or dependent on the IT Strategic Plan. A written memorandum will come to Council with more detail.</p>
<p>CITY MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENT</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENT</p>	<p>The City Clerk provided the public with the procedure to address the City Council regarding non-agendized items.</p>
<p>PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS</p>	<p>Addressing the Council at this time:</p> <p>Melita Juliani – representing Williams Advertising, announced that a new magazine is out by the name of: AV Doctors. The magazine will enhance the image of doctors and give citizens vital information about doctors and medical facilities in the area.</p> <p>Timothy Hayes – representing the Hull Park Committee stated that that he has some concerns regarding the use of public park land with the YMCA. He stated that if the YMCA is placed on public park land then perhaps that land and the state statute would have to be replaced. Attorney Robert Ferguson was involved in the lawsuit regarding Hull Park and Costco. Whether it is a non-profit organization like the YMCA, or a for-profit organization such as Costco, the committee is not sure this is a legal procedure. If the YMCA were to build, it will impact the Poppy Festival and open available space. The committee may take the same position it did in regards to Costco and the taking of land.</p>

<p>PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (continued)</p>	<p>City Attorney, David McEwen, stated that the Council does need to discuss this along with the attorney for the group. This whole use of the property at Lancaster City Park for the YMCA was covered in the settlement agreement and specifically allowed this. The location of the YMCA and the park are provided for by statute in connection with a grant that was received by the City, and in terms of replacing the park lands, this is a recreational use which is consistent with the park and it is clearly covered. The City has provided substantially more than twice the number of acres when Costco went in. The City is covered in all aspects and particularly, it is covered in the settlement agreement.</p>
<p>COUNCIL COMMENTS</p>	<p>Council Member Jeffra stated that over the last several months, specific ordinances have been reviewed. One ordinance is in regard to loitering where alcohol is served or consumed.</p> <p>Council Member Jeffra stated that when he drives around the Antelope Valley, there is always someone who doesn't want to take care of their property and has no regard for their neighbors. He would like the City to look at an unsightly premise law, which is currently used in Los Angeles County and it works. When the ordinance is enforced, it works very well. The law takes care of broken windows, cars on front lawns, and maybe CCR's need to be considered for the entire city. It is important to give the Code Enforcement Officers some real teeth to use and take care of business.</p> <p>Council Member Jeffra stated that people with motor homes/recreational vehicles that park wherever they feel like it, and this creates a traffic problem and it is consistent. This is a public safety issue and it is unsightly and time to take care of business.</p> <p>Council Member Jeffra stated that the City of Lancaster can be promoted by all neighborhoods selecting someone from their areas that has worked hard to make their property look good, and these people need to be recognized for adding to the beauty of their neighborhood. It could be a barbeque; neighborhood appreciation; home pride, but the bottom line would be, these people need to be recognized. This will elevate the property values around them and they work very hard and should be recognized.</p>

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COUNCIL COMMENTS (continued)	<p>Mayor Hearn requested staff look into these matters and also stated that he is working on a complete package that will include these matters and Council will be able to review this and look at focal points and decide what direction to take; create a format and call a press conference to let the entire community know which direction the Council is going and give a solid plan to the community. Mayor Hearn stated that he will have information for the Council in approximately two weeks.</p>
	<p>Council Member Sileo stated that staff is working very hard on initiatives to promote stronger neighborhoods and a lot of the issues that Council Member Jeffra brought up will be dealt with in that regard and he looks forward to working on this.</p>
	<p>Council Member Visokey agreed that all matters discussed should be looked into.</p>
	<p>Mayor Hearn stated that Saturday, May 13, 2006, at Lancaster City Park, will be "Community Day" and people will be provided with food; clothing; advice; job assistance.</p>
	<p>Council Member Visokey stated that the March of Dimes Walk will take place on Saturday, May 13, 2006, at Lancaster City Park - 7:30 a.m.</p>
CLOSED SESSION	None
ADJOURNMENT	<p>Mayor Hearn adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. and announced the next regular meeting of the City Council would be held on May 23, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.</p>
	ATTEST:
	APPROVED:
	<hr/> <p>GERI K. BRYAN, CMC City Clerk City of Lancaster</p>
	<hr/> <p>HENRY W. HEARNS Mayor City of Lancaster</p>

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

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL

I, _____, _____ of
the City of Lancaster, CA, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy
of the original City Council Minutes, for which the original is on file in my
office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER,
on this _____ day of _____, _____.

(seal)
