

**LANCASTER
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/
FINANCING/POWER/
CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY/ HOUSING AUTHORITY
MINUTES
July 24, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Parris called the meeting of the Lancaster City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/ Housing/ Power/California Choice Energy Authority to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: City 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; Administrative and Community Services Director, Development Services Director; Parks, Recreation and Arts Director; Public Safety Director, Finance Director; Housing Director

INVOCATION

Planning Commission Vice Chair Hall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Crist

PRESENTATION

1. Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for City of Lancaster FY 2016-2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)
Presenter: Pam Statsmann, Finance Director

M 1. MINUTES

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority approved the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority Regular Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2018, 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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CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Item No.'s 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 5 and 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 5:

Michael Rives – discussed the residences in the area of this project and requested the City hold off on this project to keep the area residential.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council approved Item No. CC 5, by the following vote: 4-1-0-0; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; NOES: Parris; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs stated she needs to recuse herself from Item No. CC 6 because it may result in a direct financial impact to her source of income and left the dais at this time.

Addressing the City Council on Item No. CC 6:

Michael Rives – stated the Chamber of Commerce should be used for this district and requested having off-duty Sheriff Deputies patrol The Blvd.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council approved Item No. CC 6, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; RECUSED: Underwood-Jacobs

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

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. CHECK REGISTERS

Approved the Check and Wire Registers for June 24, 2018 through July 7, 2018 in the amount of \$5,470,696.84. Approved the Check Register as presented.

CC 3. HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 680-18

Awarded Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Neighborhood Stabilization Program Construction Project No. 680-18 to Hiesl Construction, Inc. of Acton, California, in the amount of \$233,900.00 (plus a 10% contingency) and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

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CC 4. RESOLUTION NO. 18-39

Adopted **Resolution No. 18-39**, approving an Integrated Resource Plan for the Lancaster Choice Energy Community Choice Aggregation Program.

CC 5. ORDINANCE NO. 1043

Adopted **Ordinance No. 1043**, amending the zoning designation on 1.98 acres of land located on 1966 West Avenue L (APN No. 3109-019-003), known as Zone Change No. 17-01, from Rural Residential, minimum lot size 2.5 acres (RR-2.5), to Commercial Planned Development (CPD).

CC 6. CITY BALLOT FOR PROPOSED DOWNTOWN LANCASTER PROPERTY-BASED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (PBID)

Approved a “yes” vote to indicate the City of Lancaster’s support for renewing the Downtown Lancaster Property-Based Improvement District (PBID); and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all related documents.

CC 7. INVESTMENT REPORT

Accepted and approved the June 2018 Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

PH 1. DOWNTOWN LANCASTER PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT RENEWAL

Mayor Parris opened the Public Hearing.

The Projects Assistant/ BLVD Association Executive Director presented the staff report regarding this item.

Discussion among staff and the City Council included discussion of the success of the program, tax revenue received, and reducing the term of the district from 10 years to five years.

Addressing the City Council on this matter:

Fran Sereseres – requested clarification regarding what services the funding pays for.

Richard Wainwright – owns a piece of property on 10th Street West, stated he receives zero benefit from the District and requests his property be exempt.

Hearing no further testimony, Mayor Parris closed the Public Hearing.

At this time, City staff tallied the ballots for this project.

PBID Results by Percentage of Votes cast: In favor: 80.23%; Opposed: 19.77%.

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PH 1. DOWNTOWN LANCASTER PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT RENEWAL CONTINUED...

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 18-40**, establishing the Downtown Lancaster Property-Based Improvement District (DLPBID), approving the assessment formula and levying the assessments provided a majority of the votes cast in the Downtown Lancaster ballot process are in favor of formation of the PBID and *changed the term of the district to five years*, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Crist, Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; RECUSED: Underwood-Jacobs

PH 2. GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 17-06 AND ZONE CHANGE NO. 17-04 LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF DIVISION STREET AND AVENUE I

Mayor Parris opened the Public Hearing.

The Director of Director of Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization presented the Staff Report for this item.

Mayor Parris closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 18-41**, approving General Plan Amendment No. 17-06, amending the General Plan land use designation for portions of the project site from P (Public) to UR (Urban Residential, 2.1-6.5 dwelling units per acre), located at the northeast corner of Division Street and Avenue I (APN 3176-005-915, 16, 18-19, 21-23, 30), 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 introduced **Ordinance No. 1046**, amending the zoning plan for portions of land at the northeast corner of Division Street and Avenue I, known as Zone Change No. 17-04, rezoning 0.16 acres (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 3176-005-922 and 3176-055-930) from P (Public) to S (School), and 15.6 acres (Assessor's Parcel Numbers 3176-005-918, 21 and 30) from P and S to R-7,000 (single-family residential, minimum lot size 7,000 square feet), 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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NB 1. UPDATE ON A.V. WORKS LOCAL CAMPAIGN

The Administrative and Community Services Director and Management Analyst presented the update on this item.

Mayor Parris requested a recess at this time.

Mayor Parris reconvened the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the measurement of success and clarification of the term ‘local’ which includes the Antelope Valley. Additionally, discussions of target audiences took place.

Received and filed the update on A.V. Works Local Campaign.

CA 1. COUNCIL AGENDA

Discussion and possible direction/action regarding prohibiting employers from requiring neckties in the workplace.

Council Member Mann discussed his history regarding being required to wear a tie for work and the alternatives he was provided to alleviate the requirement.

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs discussed the posture associated with those who are not wearing ties, which could affect back health.

Discussion took place regarding the legality of proposing an ordinance related to restricting businesses from requiring neckties of their employees. Additionally, discussion took place regarding media coverage of this issue.

The City Council requested an ordinance be drafted and reviewed by City Commissions.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Shannon McDonald – discussed her opinion of wearing neckties.

David Paul – discussed the controversy surrounding this issue.

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

Vice Mayor Crist discussed changes to bus schedules including changes positively affecting both Antelope Valley College campuses and the new bus route to the Veterans campus in Westwood.

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CR 2. COUNCIL REPORTS

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the recent NCTC meeting and specifically discussed determining if the JPA will support the high-speed rail project and the High Desert Corridor. Additionally Vice Mayor Crist discussed a recent meeting with Caltrans.

Council Member Mann discussed a recent meeting with Destination Lancaster and discussed rates and demand for hotel rooms in Lancaster.

CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY

No action required at this time.

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 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Manager discussed recent meeting with the Mayor regarding public safety and requested the Public Safety Director provide information regarding crime related issues.

The Public Safety Director provided information regarding potential reasons for an increase in crimes and discussed the number of vacancies in the Lancaster and Palmdale Sheriff Stations. Additionally, scrutinizing crime data and how Deputy deployments are handled based on crimes committed was discussed. Mr. D'Errico discussed reducing the burden on LASD regarding quality of life issues through the use of contract personnel. Additional discussion took place regarding the impact of AB 109 and Propositions 47 and 57 on the area and crimes committed.

The Mayor requested the status of a potential lawsuit involving the Los Angeles Sheriff Department and not fulfilling their contract for the past several years. The Mayor also requested information regarding the use of drones by Deputies and the status of fiber optics and streetlights as a security mechanism in certain neighborhoods. Discussion took place regarding the use of 'ring technology' and the potential significant impact in target areas with the use of this technology.

Discussion took place regarding an RFP for a consultant to look at how the City is being policed, regarding rental vehicles not being returned and the impact on crime statistics and discussion of the types of alarms being responded to and the priorities associated with the various types of alarms.

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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:

Alyssa Gold – discussed a recent crime involving her father.

Derrick Rowe – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor what he can and cannot do as the Mayor.

Anthony Nunez – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor what he has done in the past year to benefit the City.

Teresa Malone – stated citizens need to vote.

Isaiah Han – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor how he manages his time.

Johnny – requested a status of the skate park.

Leigha Melchers – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor what his greatest accomplishment as Mayor has been.

Diamond Duckett – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the City Council how the budget is used.

Emely Campos – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked Council Member Underwood-Jacobs what the process for becoming a City Council Member is.

Parker Greuel – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Council what they believe is the biggest problem in the City and what is being done to address it.

Angel Warner – discussed working conditions at a specific business in town.

Amairany Armenta Lopez – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Vice Mayor how difficult it was to reduce the bus drive time from the Antelope Valley College campus in Lancaster to the campus in Palmdale.

Ryan Arias – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked if there are any energy efficiency programs coming in the future.

Sara Beaudin - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor if he considers Lancaster a small town or a large town.

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

Victoria Escobar - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked how she can become active in the Neighborhood Watch Program or how she can start one in her neighborhood.

Kaylyn Kelly - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the City Council if there are opportunities for public private/partnerships for affordable housing.

Isaac Rosales - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked if the Mayor was going to promote making neckties optional outside of the City.

Shannon McDonald – discussed multiway crosswalks.

Ryan Walker - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor what his commitment is to higher education at the high school level.

Deanna Murray – provided her history in Lancaster and discussed the increase in her rent.

Thaddeus Walker - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; suggested the Mayor amend the requirement that the top button doesn't have to be buttoned as opposed to restricting wearing of ties; asked if there is anything being done to incentivize drug counseling as a vocation.

John Teats – Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked if the city was doing anything regarding gender equality related to employment of women.

Bladimir Rivera - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor what is the most frustrating part of being Mayor.

Erik Becerra - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked the Mayor if he believes there is an urge to build more schools and commercial buildings.

Mayor Parris left the meeting at this time.

Rita Theisen - Political Science student at Antelope Valley College; asked if criminals will be hired as school teachers.

Fran Sereseres – discussed AVTA meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist stated the City Council meeting will be adjourned in memory of Jane Frye. Jane Frye moved to Lancaster with her husband and family in 1988. Jane attended Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Portland, Maine, graduating with an RN in 1972, and to improve her ability to care for patients, Jane enrolled in a nursing degree program, and earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing with a Public Health Nurse credential in 1996. In 2000, she joined High Desert Medical Group as a Nursing Supervisor, and worked there in various roles for 18 years. She served as Eucharistic Minister for Sacred Heart Parish, was a member and president of Lancaster West Rotary, member of the Antelope Valley College Foundation Board, and was involved with many other service organizations. Jane's volunteer work touched hundreds of lives, and our city is a better place for her service.

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m. and stated the next City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of August, 2018, by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

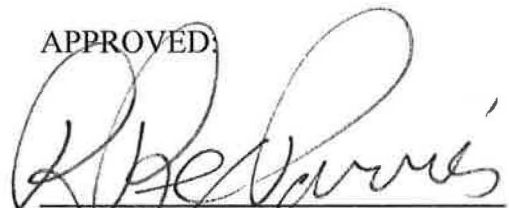
ABSENT: None

ATTEST:



BRITT AVRIT, MMC
CITY CLERK
AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:



R. REX PARRIS
MAYOR/CHAIRMAN

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES }ss
CITY OF LANCASTER }

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/Housing/Power/California Choice Energy 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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