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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

EXCUSED: Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Mann

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

STAFF MEMBERS:

City Manager/Executive Director; Assistant City Manager/Deputy Executive Director; City Attorney/Agency/Authority Counsel; City Clerk/Agency/Authority Secretary; Assistant to the City Manager, Administrative and Community Services Director; Assistant Parks, Recreation and Arts Director; Development Services Director; Finance Director; Housing Director; Chief of Police/Public Safety Director

INVOCATION

Pastor Jerry Ferrso, Lancaster Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs

MINUTES

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PRESENTATIONS

- Recognition of Employees Years of Service
 Presenters: Mayor Parris and City Manager Jason Caudle
- 2. Presentation by Donita Winn regarding a Regional Robotics Competition being held April 3-6, 2019

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 January 22, 2019, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

CCEA CC 1.

- a. Approved First Amended and Restated Bylaws of the California Choice Energy Authority; and authorized the Executive Director, or his designee, to execute all necessary documents.
- b. Adopted **Resolution No. CCEA 03-19**, a resolution of the California Choice Energy Authority, adopting a Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code.

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 Registers for January 6, 2019 through January 26, 2019 in the amount of \$6,207,563.25. Approved the Check Registers as presented.

CC 3. ORDINANCE NO. 1054

Adopted **Ordinance No. 1054**, amending the City zoning plan for approximately 15 acres of land located at 43511 70th Street East (APN: 3386-007-035), known as Zone Change No. 18-03, from RR-2.5 (Rural Residential, minimum lot size 2.5 acres) to LI (Light Industrial).

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CC 4. RESOLUTION NO. 19-05

Adopted **Resolution No. 19-05**, approving the application for grant funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District.

CC 5. RFP NO. 697-18 – STREET SWEEPING SERVICES

- a. Awarded a one-year contract, with an option of five (5), one-year extensions to CleanStreet, Inc., for **RFP No. 697-18** Street Sweeping Services, and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.
- b. Appropriated \$49,400.00 from Fund Balance Account No. 203-2900-000 to Expenditure Account No. 203-4752-450, and \$1,450.00 from Fund Balance Account No. 484-2900-000 to Expenditure Account No. 484-4752-450. The annual cost of the contract is \$537,847.44.

CC 6. TRACT MAP NO. 60885-01

Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract Map No. 60885-01; 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. TRACT MAP NO. 61734

Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract Map No. 61734; 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.

NB 1. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 11.08.130 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO RENT STABILIZATION IN MOBILEHOME PARKS IN THE CITY

The City Attorney presented the Staff Report for this item.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Michael Rives – discussed his history with rent control and suggested adding committees to handle issues tenants may have in mobile home parks as opposed to the City Council handling issues.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of examples of what types of offenses apply, how the fines will be imposed and how this ordinance came about.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council introduced **Ordinance No. 1055**, amending section 11.08.130 of the Lancaster Municipal Code, establishing the fine and penalty amount for violations of Chapter 11.08 relating to rent stabilization in mobilehome parks, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

NB 2. RFQ 704-18, HYBRID LAW ENFORCEMENT MODEL CONSULTANT AND APPROPRIATE GENERAL FUNDS TO PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET

The City Manager and Chief of Police/Public Safety Director presented the Staff Report for this item and the individuals for Hillard Heintze provided their history in this line of work.

Discussion among the City Council and staff included discussion of the purpose behind the Hybrid Law Enforcement Model. The individuals who will be part of this police force will be members of the Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs (ALADS). Vice Mayor Crist stated this is not being put in place due to unhappiness with Los Angeles County Sheriff Department (LASD), this will augment the current contract. Mayor Parris discussed the goals of the model which are to redefine how the City of Lancaster is policed, work with LASD and expedite ideas. Discussion took place regarding the time frame for creating the model and clarification regarding Section 8 policies and enforcement related to Section 8 in the City.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Michael Rives – requested the City Council postpone the item until the Assistant Sheriff can speak before the Council; discussed homeowners and renters where he lives.

M. L. Feller – discussed her neighborhood, lawsuits, crime rates, homeless.

David Paul – discussed his enthusiasm and appreciation for the Council making the City safer, his confidence in the consultants and stated this is money well-spent and questioned why the County isn't paying for half.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council awarded Request for Qualifications #704-18 and established a Hybrid Law Enforcement Model Consulting & Support Services to Hillard Heintze of Chicago, Illinois, in the amount of \$197,235.00 (plus \$30,000 for authorized reimbursable expenses); and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council appropriated \$230,000 from general fund to Public Safety expense account number 101-4820-301, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

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NB 3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY; AND BENEFITS SCHEDULE FOR REGULAR AND PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY

It was the consensus of the City Council to waive the Staff Report for this item.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council adopted Resolution 19-06, approving the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and Teamsters Local 911 and authorized the City Manager to execute the MOU, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council adopted Resolution 19-07, approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Lancaster Code Enforcement Association (LCEA) and authorized the City Manager to execute the MOU, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council adopted Resolution 19-08, amending Resolution 14-64, establishing a benefits schedule for regular and probationary employees of the City, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

CA 1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS TO THE CITY'S COMMISSIONS AND ROARDS

Planning Commission Chair Vose provided the background regarding this item and stated the Chairs from the City's various Commissions worked together to create the proposed document.

Mayor Parris requested the members of the City Council review the document and provide feedback and the item will be brought back at the next meeting for a vote.

CA 2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE NOMINATION/APPOINTMENT OF VICE MAYOR CRIST TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 14 BOARD AS THE ALTERNATE; AND RECONFIRM THE COUNCIL PROCEDURE REGARDING ALTERNATES' PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNING BOARDS OF VARIOUS ENTITIES OF WHICH THE CITY IS A MEMBER SO THAT EACH CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, EXCLUDING THE MAYOR, SHALL SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE TO EACH SUCH ENTITY'S BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S AND SHALL PARTICIPATE AT SUCH ENTITY'S MEETINGS AT THE REQUEST OF THE DESIGNATED COUNCIL MEMBER OR, IN THE EVENT OF THE INCAPACITY OF SUCH COUNCIL MEMBER, AT THE REQUEST OF THE MAYOR.

On a motion by Mayor Parris and seconded by Council Member Underwood-Jacobs, the City Council approved the appointment of Vice Mayor Crist to the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 14 Board as the alternate; and reconfirmed the Council procedure regarding alternates' participation in governing boards of various entities of which the City is a member so that each City Council Member, excluding the Mayor, shall serve as an alternate to each such entity's Board of Director's and shall participate at such entity's meetings at the request of the designated Council Member or, in the event of the incapacity of such Council Member, at the request of the Mayor, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Malhi, Underwood-Jacobs, Crist; Parris; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Mann

CR 1. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Parris discussed the law firm representing the Sanitation District, the charges by the law firm and the audit conducted by the law firm. Mayor Parris stated he will be appointing Evelyn Medrano to the Architectural and Design Commission.

Council Member Underwood-Jacobs discussed recent Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year event and the recent Hearts and Sounds Gala.

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 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City Manager discussed the recent community meeting held regarding the proposed skate park; a video highlighting the crosswalk mural art project was shown and the City Manager discussed the recent focused pothole project conducted throughout the City.

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:

Francesca Keeton – discussed dog waste at El Dorado Park.

COUNCIL / AGENCY / AUTHORITY COMMENTS

Mayor Parris stated the jail will not be coming to Lancaster thanks to Supervisor Barger, stated the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds will be opening as a homeless shelter and Vice Mayor Crist is working to address transportation to this shelter. Mayor Parris requested the Chief of Police/Public Safety Director conduct an analysis regarding Sheriff response times in various areas of the City. Mayor Parris stated he is proud of the accomplishments and the art placed along Lancaster Boulevard and was excited to show this to Kevin de Leon during his recent visit to Lancaster. Mayor Parris also discussed the High Speed Rail Project.

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RECESS

Mayor Parris recessed the meeting at 6:20 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a Closed Session meeting regarding the following matters:

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (2) - two potential cases.
- 2. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: consideration of initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (4) - two potential cases.
- 3. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1)
- 4. Adams v. Thomas, LASC Case No MC027683
- 5. Simmons v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. BC 615471
- 6. Bootleggers 2 v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. BS169660
- 7. Byrd v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. MC 026025
- 8. Smith v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. MC 027485
- 9. Parker v. Lancaster, LASC MC 027827
- 10. Kappler v. Lancaster, LASC 18STCVO4990
- 11. Better Neighborhoods v. Lancaster, LASC BS175020
- 12. Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases

Included Actions:

Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC325201;

Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co.

Superior Court of California, County of Kern, Case No. S-1500-CV-254-348

Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v. City of Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v. Palmdale Water District

Superior Court of California County of Riverside, consolidated actions;

Case Nos. RIC 353 840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668

RECONVENE

Mayor Parris reconvened the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

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CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENT

The City Attorney announced the City Council met in Closed Session and discussed Item No.'s 1 and 7; Mayor Parris recused himself from Item No. 7. The City Council gave direction to legal counsel and staff; no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Parris adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. and stated the next City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 26th day of February, 2019, by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:

R. REX PARRIS

MAYOR/CHAIRMAN

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