

**LANCASTER  
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/  
FINANCING/HOUSING/POWER/  
CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
January 14, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Mayor Crist called the meeting of the Lancaster City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** City Council Members /Agency Directors /Authority Members: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist

**EXCUSED:** Mayor/Chair Parris

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

**STAFF MEMBERS:**

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

**INVOCATION**

Pastor Matt Dumas, Central Christian Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Mann

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**SA NB 1. RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD  
JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021**

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

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council, adopted **Resolution No. SA 01-20**, approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, and directing staff to bring before the County of Los Angeles Consolidated Oversight Board for approval, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**SA NB 2. SUCCESSOR AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGETS FOR THE PERIODS  
JULY 1, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND JANUARY 1, 2021 TO  
JUNE 30, 2021**

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

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council, adopted **Resolution No. SA 02-20**, approving the Successor Agency Administrative Budgets for the periods of July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, as detailed in Attachments A & B, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**M 1. MINUTES**

On a motion by Council Member Mann 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 December 14, 2019, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

The City Attorney stated it appears four City Council Members have conflicts of interest regarding Item No. CC 6 due to the proximity of property they own. In order to vote on this item, a double Rule of Necessity pull will need to take place in order to have a quorum; the conflicted members of the City Council will draw straws to determine who will be the voting members of the City Council for the vote at this meeting and for future votes regarding this project.

Additionally, the City Attorney stated the straws should be drawn today, and if the straw drawn on behalf of Mayor Parris is one of the ones who is voting, this item would need to be moved to the next meeting, and if he is not one of the ones who is voting Council can proceed with the vote.

The City Attorney stated she would draw the straw on behalf of the Mayor.

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**CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR CONTINUED...**

The City Clerk presented straws for the City Council to choose; Vice Mayor Crist and Council Member Mann drew the short straws and will be the voting members for this project.

Council Member Dorris left the dais at this time.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council approved Consent Calendar Item No. CC 6, by the following vote: 3-0-1-1; AYES: Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; RECUSED: Dorris; ABSENT: Parris

Council Member Dorris returned to the dais at this time.

On a motion by Council Member Mann, and seconded by Council Member Dorris, the City Council approved the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item No. CC 6, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, 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.)

**CC 2. CHECK REGISTERS**

Approved the Check and Wire Registers for November 17, 2019 through December 21, 2019 in the amount of \$12,061,091.02. Approved the Check Registers as presented.

**CC 3. INVESTMENT REPORT**

Accepted and approved the November 2019, Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

**CC 4. APPROPRIATION AND RECOGNITION OF OFFSETTING REVENUE FROM THE CITY OF PALMDALE, RELATED TO COLUMBIA WAY (AVENUE M) PAVEMENT REHABILITATION – PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT (PWCP) NO. 17-003, 2017 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (REVIVE 25)**

- a. Approved an appropriation and recognition of offsetting revenue in the amount of \$597,500 from the City of Palmdale for pavement rehabilitation on the south side of Avenue M between 10<sup>th</sup> Street West and Sierra Highway, and allocated to the accounts listed below:
  - Revenue Account No.: 101-3650-101 Other Financing Sources
  - Expense Account No.: 101-4430-998 Other Financing Uses
- b. Increased PWCP 17-003 construction contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc., by \$597,500.

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**CC 5. TASK ORDER NO. 4 - 2018-2020 MULTI-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC.**

Approved Task Order No. 4 in accordance with the 2018-2020 Multi-Year Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., of Santa Barbara, California, in the amount of \$296,052 plus a 10% contingency, and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

**CC 6. PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 20-003, 2019 SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER REPAIRS**

Awarded **Public Works Construction Project No. 20-003, 2019 Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter Repairs**, to DOD Construction of Bakersfield, California, in the amount of \$1,731,316.50 plus a 10% contingency, to repair, replace or construct new sidewalk, curb, gutter, and other concrete repairs at various locations throughout the City, and authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents. This contract is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder per California Public Code Section 22038 (b).

**CC 7. ORDINANCE NO. 1070**

Adopted **Ordinance No. 1070**, amending various sections of the Lancaster Municipal Code; Chapter 8.50, Landscaping Installation and Maintenance, Chapter 16.20, Residential Subdivision Perimeter Treatment, Chapter 16.24, Landscaping Improvements, various sections of Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance), Lancaster Transit-Oriented Development (T.O.D.) Zone, and the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan, to comply with state code, provide clarification, consistency, and update standards and regulations.

**PH 1. ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT TO TITLE 8, TITLE 16 AND TITLE 17 OF THE LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE, LANCASTER TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT ZONES (T.O.D.) AND THE DOWNTOWN LANCASTER SPECIFIC PLAN**

Vice Mayor Crist opened the Public Hearing.

The Development Services Director presented the staff report regarding this item.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Barbara Nunn – thanked the Council for what they do, and discussed the proposed vacation, and inquired on the possibility of the new property owner raising the rent on this low income apartment complex due to this proposed vacation.

Vice Mayor Crist closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council adopted **Resolution No. 20-01**, ordering the vacation of a portion of a public utility easement within Parcel 1 of Parcel Map 20211 located near the southeast corner of Cedar Avenue and Kettering Street, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

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**NB 1. HYBRID LAW ENFORCEMENT MODEL UPDATE**

The City Manager and consultants from Hillard Heintze presented the update on this item.

Discussion among the City Council, Hillard Heintze, Captain Weber and staff included discussion of the purpose behind the Hybrid Law Enforcement Model, budget, public safety, proactive approach in addressing matters throughout the community, improved quality of life and safety, zone deputies, actual plan integration with the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department (LASD), support for successful deployment and implementation, assistance to address calls more efficiently by freeing up time, the need for citizens to still call 911 for emergency response services, impacts of legislation, staffing of certified peace officers, and the need for a strong policy and accountability.

Addressing the City Council on this item:

Maureen Feller – discussed the safety and happiness of the community, community trust, homeless camps, request for trash cans and gloves, past settlements, Chief of Police, and qualifications.

Larry Faddis – discussed past dealings with the Sheriff’s Department and Parking Enforcement.

Brother Perry – discussed the qualifications of peace officers, hiring pool, impacts to the homeless, prioritizing of calls, and review of the proposed plan.

Barbara Nunn – discussed her past volunteer work, her love for military and law enforcement, and her concern pertaining to officers being available to address calls.

Cameron Cragg – Antelope Valley College Political Science Student, discussed the proposed Law Enforcement Hybrid Model, lethal force, and the need for checks and balances.

Additional discussion among the City Council, Hillard Heintze, and staff included the employment of retired deputies, candidate pool, recruitment strategy, authority level of retired deputies, strategy to prevent the duplication of services, service hours, community outreach and engagement, administrative processes, innovative approach to be implemented, plan development and rollout including future updates to the administrative citation appeal process to be presented to Council.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council directed staff to commence implementation of Phase II, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

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Addressing the City Council on this item:

Heather Varden – discussed her desire to be considered for appointment to the Lancaster Homeless Impact Commission and provided her qualifications.

Michael Rives – discussed his beliefs pertaining to how committee members should be appointed.

Brother Perry – discussed his desire to be considered for appointment to the Lancaster Homeless Impact Commission and provided his qualifications.

Mayor Parris requested: The Healthy Community Commission be renamed to Antelope Valley Healthy Community Commission, and the following appointment to the commission: Representative from Supervisor Kathryn Barger’s Office.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the renaming of the Healthy Community Commission, and appointment to the Healthy Community Commission, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

Mayor Parris requested the following appointments to the Homeless Impact Commission: Angela Hearn and Denise Latanzi.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the appointments to the Homeless Impact Commission, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

Mayor Parris requested the appointment of a Commissioner to the Planning Commission.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the appointment of a Commissioner to the Planning Commission, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

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Mayor Parris requested the following appointments and re-appointments to the Architectural & Design Commission: Cedric White, April Bartlett, Adam Chant, Richard Despain, Dan Tufts, Barbara Fahey, Timothy Wiley, appointment of a Chair, with Council Member Ken Mann as the City Council Representative.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the appointments and re-appointments to the Architectural & Design Commission, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CA 2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/ORGANIZATIONS: ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY (AVTA), EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB), AND PRISON CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

At this time, Vice Mayor Crist requested Macy Neshati present the update on the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA).

Mr. Neshati thanked Council and staff for the tribute and proclamation in honor of his late daughter.

Mr. Neshati provided an update on the activities of the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) which included the announcement of reaching their second million miles and accomplishment of changing an all diesel fleet to all electric with a positive return.

Mayor Parris requested the following appointments and re-appointments to the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA): Council Member Crist, and Angela Underwood-Jacobs, as a citizen, as the two board appointees with remaining Council Members as alternates, with the exception of Mayor Parris who is not an alternate.

On a motion by Mayor Parris and seconded by Vice Mayor Crist, the City Council approved the appointments and re-appointments to the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA), by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

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Mayor Parris requested the following appointment and re-appointment to the Edwards Air Force Base Restoration Advisory Board (RAB): Council Member Malhi, and Council Member Dorris, as the two elected officials appointed.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the appointment and re-appointment to the Edwards Air Force Base Restoration Advisory Board (RAB), by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

Mayor Parris requested the following appointment and re-appointment to the Prison Citizens Advisory Committee: Council Member Malhi, as appointee, and Council Member Dorris, as the alternate appointee.

On a motion by Mayor Parris, moved by Vice Mayor Crist, and seconded by Council Member Mann, the City Council approved the appointment and re-appointment to the Prison Citizens Advisory Committee, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CR 1. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Dorris discussed recent meetings and community events he attended.

Council Member Malhi discussed upcoming City projects.

Deputy Mayor Gomez discussed the Los Angeles County Air Show and invited everyone to attend.

Planning Commission Chairman Vose discussed upcoming projects being presented to the Planning Commission for consideration.

Vice Mayor Crist discussed recent and upcoming community events.



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**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.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The City Manager discussed the recent updates completed in the Council Chambers including upcoming advancements to be implemented in the Council Chambers.

Additionally, the City Manager provided information on the upcoming LPAC Foundation Speakeasy Fundraiser and introduced the new City Clerk, Andrea Alexander.

**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 items.

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

Addressing the City Council at this time:

Heather Varden – discussed the upcoming homeless count.

Fran Sereseres – discussed the recent groundbreaking event she attended and upcoming community events.

Thomas Clark – discussed a landscape citation he received.

Cheral Hymen – Founder and Director of ROCK, discussed the re-appropriation of housing in the community, and provided information on the activities of her non-profit organization.

Kurtis Wilson – discussed response times by the Sheriff’s Department, property taxes, rate increases, and 5G towers.

**COUNCIL / AGENCY / AUTHORITY COMMENTS**

Deputy Mayor Gomez inquired on the length of time the 5G tower had been at Rawley Duntley Park; the City Manager confirmed about three or four months.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Crist adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and stated the next City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020, by the following vote:


AYES: Council Members Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Vice Mayor Crist, Mayor Parris

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None


ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

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R. REX PARRIS  
MAYOR/CHAIRMAN

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA            }  
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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