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**LANCASTER  
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/  
FINANCING/POWER/  
CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
June 23, 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 Parris

**STAFF MEMBERS:**

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

On a motion Vice Mayor Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi, the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority Excused Mayor Parris from the Regular Meeting of June 23, 2020, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES:Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**INVOCATION**

Council Member Darrell Dorris

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City Clerk announced procedure for public comment on Minutes.

No public comments on Minutes at this time.

On a motion Vice Mayor 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 June 09, 2020, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

City Clerk announced procedure for public comment on the consent calendar.

No public comments on consent calendar at this time.

On a motion by Council Member Dorris 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 APPROVED the Consent Calendar as comprised, by the following vote: 4-0-0-1: AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; Parris; 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 May 3, 2020 through May 16, 2020 in the amount of \$ 4,457, 038.28. Approved the Check Register as presented.

**CC 3. MONTHLY REPORT OF INVESTMENTS**

Accepted and approved the May 2020, Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

**CC 4. PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 21-004**

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Awarded **Public Works Construction Project No. 21-004**, 42nd Street West and Avenue K Drainage Improvements, to R.C. Becker and Son, Inc. of Santa Clarita, California, in the amount of \$341,460.72 plus a 10% contingency, to repair street and maintain the drainage flow at the intersections of 42nd Street West and Avenue K. Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

**CC 5. PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 20-007**

Increased **PWCP 20-007** construction contract with Quality Fence Company Inc., of Paramount, California, by \$136,770, to install additional security fencing on the north side of Lancaster Boulevard at Amargosa Creek, at the City Community Center, and at the City Corporate (Maintenance) Yard.

**CC 6. ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS (WATER)**

Approved the completed water system installed by the developer for the following project:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Location/Owner</u>
Site Plan Review No. 17-0445244	32nd Street West Owner: If Life Hands You Lemons, LP

**CC 7. ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS (STREETS)**

Approved the developer constructed streets on the following project. In addition, accept the streets for maintenance by the City and for public use.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Location/Owner</u>
Site Plan Review No. 17-02	23rd Street West and Avenue H-8 Owner: Richard Wade

**CC 8. RESOLUTION 20-30**

Adopt **Resolution No. 20-30**, declaring a Trusted System for the management of Human Resource records.

**CC 9. AGREEMENT WITH CLEAN HARBORS, INC., FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP AND DISPOSAL.**

1. Authorized the City Manager to pay invoices for work completed to Clean Harbors and Safety Kleen.

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2. Authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Clean Harbors, Inc., for mitigation of the hazardous waste spill at the City's Corporate Yard.
3. Appropriated \$300,000.00 from Gas Tax fund balance account 203-2900-000 to expenditure account 203-4220-301.

**JCB 1. FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGETS AND FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Vice Mayor Crist re-opened the Public Hearing.

Jason Caudle, City Manager and George Harris, Finance Director presented the staff report on this item.

City Clerk announced procedure for public comment.

No public comments at this time.

Vice Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council Adopted **Resolution 20-31**, adopting the proposed City of Lancaster Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Operating Budget, Special Funds Budget, and Capital Improvement Program Budget. by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Doris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Dorris the City Council adopted Resolution **20-32**, establishing the annual Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 by the following vote 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council adopted **Resolution 20-33**, authorizing an amendment to the final budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 by the following vote 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council adopted **Resolution 20-34**, amending Resolution 17-35 by establishing a classification and compensation schedule for temporary employees and amending

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Resolution 19-06 by establishing terms and conditions of employment and a compensation schedule for represented regular and probationary employees and amending Resolution 19-38 establishing terms and conditions of employment and a compensation schedule for non-represented regular and probationary employees of the City. by the following vote 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council approved a \$1,425,000 Proposition A Funds exchange with the City of Commerce and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to the transaction. by the following vote 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

On a motion by Council Member Mann and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council adopted the proposed CCEA Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget as presented. by the following vote: 4-0-0-1; AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Parris

**NB 1. EXCHANGE AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM-LOCAL FUNDS WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

Council Member Mann stated he owns property in the immediate area and needs to recuse himself.

Council Member Malhi stated that he owns property in the immediate area and needs to recuse himself.

The City Attorney stated it appears that City Council Members Mann and Malhi have conflicts of interest regarding this item. In order to vote on the item, the Rule of Necessity must be put in place which when this item first came up; Council Member Malhi drew the straw for future votes regarding this project.

Council Member Mann left the meeting at this time.

Jeff Hogan, Development Services Director presented the staff report on this item.

City Clerk announced procedures for public comments.

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No public comment at this time.

On a motion by Council Member Dorris and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council approved (1) the Exchange Agreement and Assignment of Federal Surface Transportation Program - Local Funds with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) in the amount of \$1,456,122; and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents. (2) Recognized revenues and appropriate expenditures totaling \$1,427,000 in LACMTA Local Funds to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project as listed below, by the following vote: 3-0-1-1; Ayes: Malhi, Dorris Crist; Noes: None; Abstain: Mann; Absent: Parris

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Revenue Account</b>	<b>Expenditure Account</b>
Medical Main Street	\$1,427,000	321-3351-104	321-15ST058-924

**CR 1. REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR DISTRICT NO. 14 OF THE COUNTY SANIATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.**

Vice Mayor Crist presented a report on activities of the board of directors for district no. 14 of the county sanitation districts of Los Angeles County which included CR 1. Report on the Activities of the Board of Directors for District No. 14 of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the rebate program is now in effect and to inform business owners of rebate program for sewer rates.

**CR 2. REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the approval of AVTA budget; grant from FTA; 20 million stolen by FTA; the allotment of money for the antelope valley and distribution of funds; discussed how money was lost; welcomed Council Member Malhi at AVTA meeting;

Discussion among Council:

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Dorris inquired about Antelope Valley Representation and how money was lost.

Crist discussed Palmdale representation and votes; one percent sales tax increase in effect.

**CR 3. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council Member Mann discussed Destination Lancaster working on opening fields; signed contract to bring tournaments to the Antelope Valley, tournaments will help Hotel occupancy.

Council Member Dorris discussed the collaborative effort by Sheriff's department and individuals in the community; along with conversations with others on current issues and protests. reporting on elimination of scheduled increase in sanitation tax rates and rebates for flow of water for restaurants which was approved.

**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 Community Services Programs milk giveaway; opening of impact houses, Fourth of July fireworks show will be virtual and viewable by remaining in vehicles; Farmer's Market to begin; Hot Summer Nights scheduled to begin; MOAH opening; Sports Camps opening; COVID numbers and emphasis on safety precautions.

Vice Mayor Crist inquired about efforts to cut down on illegal firework activity.

City Manager discussed and emphasized that fireworks are illegal.

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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 COMMENTS- NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

Addressing the Council at this time:

Fran Sereseres- discussed efforts to protect Lancaster; AVPH Coalition Car Caravan for Census; wanting Mayor to put updates on Channel 28.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Dorris discussed the 2020 Census and being counted helps with funding.

**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. Desert-Candle, LP v. Frontier Homes, LLC, LASC Case No. 20STCV05178
5. Kappler v. Lancaster, LASC 18STCVO4990
6. Better Neighborhoods v. Lancaster, LASC BS175020
7. 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



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Superior Court of California County of Riverside, consolidated actions;  
Case Nos. RIC 353 840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668

8. Ramos v Patino, LASC Case No. MC027974
9. Lozoya v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00714
10. Johnson v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00824
11. Rahier v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00163
12. Brisa Mahoney, et al. v. City of Lancaster, et al., LASC Case No. 20STCV02556

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Mayor Crist adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m. and stated the next City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Malhi, Mann, Crist

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Parris

ABSENT: Dorris

ATTEST:

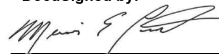
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ANDREA ALEXANDER  
CITY CLERK

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REX BARRIS  
MAYOR/ CHAIR

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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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