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**CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/  
FINANCING/POWER/  
CALIFORNIA CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor/Chair Parris called the meeting of the Lancaster City Council/Successor Agency/Housing/Financing/ Power/California Choice Energy Authority to order at 5:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Housing Authority Members: Harvey, Malhi, Mann, Vice Chair Crist, Chair Szeto

**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**

Pastor Tim Lee, Life Church

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance waived due to meeting being conducted telephonically.

## **PRESENTATION**

1. Report on Homelessness Activities  
Presented by Lisa Dawson, Valley Oasis Representative

Mayor Parris turned the meeting over to Housing Chair Szeto

## **AGENDA ITEMS TO BE REMOVED**

Jason Caudle, City Manager removed item number NB1. Introduction of Urgency Ordinance No. 1078 Adding Chapter 5.57 of the Lancaster Municipal Code to establish a temporary limit on the charges imposed by food delivery services on covered establishments during the COVID-19 emergency.

## **HA CC 1. LOAN AGREEMENT FOR NO MORE LEMONS, LP**

City Clerk provided the procedure for public comment.

Addressing the Council at this time:

David Abber- discussed filing grievance with Valley Oasis; Kensington Campus allowing individuals outside of Lancaster; issues with water

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi the Lancaster Housing Authority approved a loan agreement with No More Lemons, LP to fund development impact fees in the amount of \$436, 505 for the final phase of Kensington Campus and appropriated \$436, 505 from Account number 306-2900-000 to account number 306-4342-301, by the following vote: 4-0-0-0; Ayes: Harvey, Malhi, Mann, Vice Chair Crist, Chair Szeto; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: None

## **M1. MINUTES**

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann the City Council approved the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California

Choice Energy Authority Regular Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2020, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; Ayes: Parris, Malhi, Dorris, Crist, Mann; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: None

## **CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

City Clerk provided the procedure for public comment.

Addressing the Council at this time:

David Abber-discussed item number CC 8; no accountability; transitional housing includes individuals from Los Angeles; issues with mail and water.

Deputy Mayor Varden gave an update on People Concern; verified participants are not from Los Angeles; mail is delivering to People Concern; water was tested.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Malhi the City Council approved the Consent Calendar as comprised, by the following vote: 5-0-0-0; Ayes: Parris, Malhi, Dorris, Crist, Mann, Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: None

### **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 October 11, 2020 through October 24, 2020 in the amount of \$4,949,757.90. Approved check register as presented.

### **CC 3. SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020**

Accepted the Sanitary Sewer Collection System Annual Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

### **CC 4. FINAL MAP APPROVAL – TRACT MAP NO. 62578-01 (LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF 40TH STREET WEST AND AVENUE J-12)**

Approved the map and accepted the dedications as offered on the map for Tract Map No. 62578-01; 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 5. VACATE AND ABANDON CERTAIN PORTIONS OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY NAMED W. AVENUE H-11 AND TOWNE CENTER COURT LOCATED WITHIN TRACT MAP 51836**

Adopted **Resolution No. 20-58**, to summarily vacate and abandon certain portions of street right-of-way named Avenue H-11 and Towne Center Court located within Tract Map 51836.

**CC 6. VACATE OFFERS TO DEDICATE ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE VICINITY OF AVENUE J-6 & 97TH STREET WEST**

Adopted **Resolution No. 20-59**, declaring its intention to summarily vacate and abandon offers to dedicate street rights-of-way in the vicinity of Avenue J-6 and 97th Street West as described in said Resolution Exhibit A and shown on Exhibit B.

**CC 7. AWARD OF BID – PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NO. 17-013 INTERSECTION OF AVENUE I AT 60TH STREET WEST, HSIPL-5419(056)**

Awarded Public Works Construction Project No. 17-013.

**CC 8. CDBG SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LANCASTER AND THE PEOPLE CONCERN TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR KENSINGTON CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE**

- a. Approved the CDBG Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Lancaster and The People Concern
- b. Appropriated \$150,000.00 from 2019/20 CDBG Program Year Funds
- c. Authorized the City Manager or designee to execute all contracts and associated documents, including subrecipient agreements, subject to City Attorney approval

**CC 9. LOCAL ROAD SAFETY PLAN GRANT**

Approved the appropriation of \$72,000.00 in grant funds from the State of California Department of Transportation to develop a Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP).

**CC 10. ESCROW AND DEPOSIT ACCOUNT CONTROL AGREEMENT WITH RIVER CITY BANK AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON**

Approved entering into an Escrow and Deposit Account Control Agreement (Escrow Agreement) with River City Bank (RCB) and Southern California Edison (SCE) on behalf of Lancaster Choice Energy (LCE), and authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute an Escrow Agreement in a form substantially as attached.

**CC 11. APPROVE AND APPROPRIATE \$92,600 IN REQUIRED MATCHING FUNDS FOR MULTIPLE GRANTS RECEIVED BY THE LANCASTER MUSEUM AND PUBLIC ART FOUNDATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER FOR THE MUSEUM OF ART AND HISTORY**

Approved and appropriated \$92,600 in required 50% matching funds for multiple grants received by the Lancaster Museum and Public Art Foundation (LMPAF) on behalf of the Lancaster Museum of Art and History (MOAH). The grants awarded are from the following foundations/organizations: Art Bridges Foundation, California Arts Council, California Arts Foundation, California Community Foundation, and the Terra Foundation for American Art.

**CC 12. APPLICATION FOR LOCAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS PROGRAM (LEAP)**

Adopted **Resolution No. 20-60**, authorizing application for and receipt of, local government planning support grant program funds.

**CC 13. STAND STRONG BUSINESS RECOVERY LOAN PROGRAM EXTENSION**

1. Approved an extension of all Stand Strong Business Recovery loans awarded to businesses deemed “non-essential” by the State of California and/or the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health to allow an additional six months before the first loan payments are due. This action would shift the due date for the first payments from January 1, 2021 to July 1, 2021.
2. Authorized the City Manager or his designee to approve an additional extension of up to six months, to January 1, 2022, based on staff’s evaluation of the needs of the individual business and the financial impact of the public health restrictions in place through July 1, 2021.

**PH 1. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND COLLECTION AND ORGANICS PROCESSING**

Mayor Parris opened the Public Hearing.

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

City Clerk provided the procedure for public comment.

No public comment at this time.

Mayor Parris closed the public hearing.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Crist and seconded by Council Member Mann the City Council approved the introduction of Ordinance 1077 by the following vote:  
5-0-0-0; Ayes: Parris, Malhi, Dorris, Crist, Mann; Noes: None; Abstain: None; Absent: None

## **CRI. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor Parris announced free COVID-19 to anyone that desires to receive testing; discussed issues with Lancaster and Palmdale being merged together in COVID-19 infection rates.

Vice Mayor Crist discussed possible targeting and inspection by Health Department.

Deputy Mayor Dr. Troung gave a report and presentation on COVID-19 infection and rates both locally and within the United States.

Council Member Dorris discussed numbers and politics; possible ways to improve HVAC system and circulation so that some restaurants can remain functional since Lancaster has a colder climate.

Mayor Parris discussed statistics of Lancaster and numbers reported by LA County.

Deputy Mayor Dr. Troung resumed presentation to include categorized activities and their risk to contract COVID-19.

Council Member Dorris discussed wanting statistics from airline and airports; cancellations of different activities; inconsistencies with various activities.

Council Member Mann discussed not collecting various data and airlines not requiring COVID-19 testing before flying.

Mayor Parris discussed statistics being based on other areas of the country that may not be in compliance with CDC guidelines.

Council Member Dorris discussed suicide rates during the holidays.

Deputy Mayor Dr. Stock discussed inconsistency of mask usage and wearing a mask even in small groups; signs of Corona fatigue.

**LANCASTER POWER AUTHORITY**

No action required at this time.

**LANCASTER SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

No action required at this time.

**CITY MANAGER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Manager discussed free COVID testing to Lancaster Residents, 25 tests per day, Monday-Friday, appointments available online; success of Halloween virtual events; City branding and website redesign; City branding rollout will be completed by the end of the year.

Assistant City Manager discussed the See and Be Seen: Bike Repair Clinic.

Mayor Parris discussed meeting with Japanese government regarding hydrogen use in Lancaster.

**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 Council at this time:

David Abber- discussed the People Concern management not being in compliance; continue to allowing Non-SPA-1 individuals; Concerns with mail; representatives not returning calls.

Lewis Burns- discussed the safety of modern devices and WiFi frequencies; symptoms of illness named electromagnetic sensitivity.

Barbara Miller-discussed wanting to speak on tabled item regarding food ordinance delivery; commended City's progressive stance on energy and push for hydrogen energy.

Discussion among Council included:

Council Member Dorris discussed partnering with high school regarding hydrogen.

Mayor Parris discussed Measure LC and appointment of an oversight committee.

Vice Mayor Crist discussed the benefits that will come from Measure LC.

**CITY COUNCIL / AGENCY/ AUTHORITY COMMENTS**

Council Member Mann discussed appreciation of Veterans.

Vice Mayor Crist wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Deputy Mayor Varden discussed upcoming meeting for the Social Equity Commission.

Deputy Mayor Tiffany Tanner encouraged everyone to take advantage of free COVID-19 testing.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Parris adjourned the meeting in memory of Superior Court Judge Victor Chavez who was first appointed to the L.A. Superior Court in 1990. He was firm, tough, fair and compassionate. He died at the age of 90. Dedicated this meeting in honor of his family.

Mayor Parris adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m. and stated the next City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 5:00pm.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: Dorris, Malhi, Mann, Crist, Parris

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

DocuSigned by:



ANDREA ALEXANDER  
CITY CLERK

DocuSigned by:



R. REX PARRIS  
MAYOR/CHAIRMAN



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

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/FINANCING/HOUSING/POWER/CALIFORNIA  
CHOICE ENERGY AUTHORITY

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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