

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Regular Meeting – 5:00 PM

The City Clerk/Agency/Authority Secretary hereby declares the agenda was posted by 5:00 p.m. on September 24, 2021 at the entrance to the Lancaster City Hall Council Chambers 44933 Fern Avenue, Lancaster, CA 93534

LEGISLATIVE BODY

City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority

Mayor/Chair R. Rex Parris
Vice Mayor/Vice Chair Marvin Crist
Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Darrell Dorris
Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Raj Malhi
Council Member/Agency Director/Authority Member Ken Mann

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AGENDA ITEMS TO BE REMOVED

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PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - AGENDIZED ITEMS

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<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>
City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority

ROLL CALL

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

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATION

1. Summer Catch Up Program

Presented by: Sonya Patterson, Director of Parks, Arts, Recreation & Community Services

COUNCIL ACTIONS

MINUTES

M1. Approve the City Council/Successor Agency/Financing/Power/California Choice Energy Authority Regular Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2021.

EMERGENCY DECLARATION

ED 1. COVID-19 Pandemic Updates and Actions

Recommendation:

- 1. Receive update from staff and/or deputy mayors regarding COVID-19 pandemic status.
- 2. Direct staff to take actions in response to updated COVID-19 information.
- 3. Authorize the City Manager to take actions, execute documents and/or expend funds in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4. Authorize and/or direct the City Attorney, with the concurrence of the City Manager, to take actions, execute documents and expend funds in response to legal issues pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic.

ED 2. Vaccination Report

Recommendation:

Receive an update from the City Manager regarding vaccination efforts.

ED 3. Resolution Confirming the Continued Existence of a Local Emergency

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 21-50**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, confirming the continued existence of a local emergency in the City of Lancaster, California.

The number of COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County recently surged with the appearance of the Delta variant. The County has also reported several cases of the new Mu variant. The percentage of residents in the Antelope Valley who have received vaccinations has still not yet reached a level that is expected to create "herd immunity," and as a result, the local public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic remains in effect, and the virus and its variants

continue to pose a threat to the health and safety of residents in the City of Lancaster. Staff recommends that City Council adopt **Resolution No. 21-50**, to again confirm the continued existence of the local emergency, as required by the California Emergency Services Act (the "Act," set forth at Cal. Gov't. Code §§8550-8668), and, in accordance with the Act, to regularly review the need for continuing the local emergency.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- **CC 1.** Waive further reading of any proposed ordinance. (This permits reading the title only in lieu of reciting the entire text.)
- CC 2. Check Registers August 22, 2021 through September 11, 2021

Recommendation:

Approve the Check and Wire Registers for August 22, 2021 through September 11, 2021 in the amount of \$5,186,144.48 as presented.

At each regular City Council Meeting, the City Council is presented with check and ACH/wire registers listing the financial claims (invoices) against the City for purchase of materials, supplies, services, and capital projects issued the prior three to four weeks. This process provides the City Council the opportunity to review the expenditures of the City. Claims are paid via checks, Automated Clearing House (ACH) payments, or federal wires. The justifying backup information for each expenditure is available in the Finance Department.

CC 3. Monthly Report of Investments – August 2021

Recommendation:

Accept and approve the August 2021 Monthly Report of Investments as submitted.

Each month, the Finance Department prepares a report listing the investments for all separate entities under the jurisdiction of the City as identified in the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

CC 4. Lancaster Choice Energy – 2020 Power Content Label and Attestation

Recommendation:

Provide the attestation specified under California's Power Source Disclosure (PSD) Program, which requires the governing council of a public agency providing retail electric service to endorse the accuracy of each annual report and power content label, as submitted to the California Energy Commission, for the previous year. In the case of Lancaster Choice Energy (LCE), such attestations will be based on the California Choice Energy Authority's (CalChoice) technical review and will address the 2020 Annual Reports and Power Content Labels (PCL) prepared for the LCE community choice aggregation (CCA) program.

California Public Utilities Code requires all retail sellers of electric energy, including LCE to disclose "accurate, reliable, and simple-to-understand information on sources of energy" that are

delivered to their respective customers via an annual Power Content Label (PCL). The PCL is analogous to a nutrition label, conveying information regarding the various power sources/products that are procured on behalf of each retail electricity customer. California's retail electricity sellers, including LCE, will each have unique PCLs based on internally adopted procurement policies and related power purchases that were completed during the reporting year. The PCL format is highly prescriptive, offering little flexibility to retail sellers when presenting such information to customers – the CEC administers these requirements under California's Power Source Disclosure Program.

CC 5. RFP No. 741-21 - Hand Work and Protected Bike Lane Sweeping Services

Recommendation:

Award a one-year contract, with an option of five (5), one-year extensions to CleanStreet, Inc., for RFP No. 741-21 - Hand Work and Protected Bike Lane Sweeping Services, and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

In May 2021, the City advertised a Request for Proposals for Hand Work and Protected Bike Lane Sweeping Services. The scope of service included the weekly cleaning of drainage basin driveways, hand work locations, protected bike lanes, dead ends, narrow cul-de-sacs, and an additional 100 cleaning requests on an as needed basis.

CC 6. Award of Bid – PWCP 21-010 - 2021 Fall Pavement Management Program

Recommendation:

Award PWCP 21-010 - 2021 Fall Pavement Management Program, to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. of Valencia, California, in the amount of \$ 5,625,859.40 plus a 10% contingency, to repair and resurface approximately twenty-one (21) lane-miles of streets, as part of the City's Pavement Management Program (PMP). Authorize 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).

The proposed project will be the eighth project funded, in part, with road bond funds in addition to TDA Article 8 funds and Proposition C funds. The proposed project will include approximately 21 lane-miles of roadway repair and rehabilitation in the following project areas: (1) NBH 1 – bound by Avenue J to Avenue J-8, and Sierra Hwy to 10th Street West; (2) NBH 2 – bound by Avenue J-8 to Avenue K, and 10th Street West to 15th Street West, also including 13th Street West from Avenue J-5 to Avenue J-8.

CC 7. Acceptance of Public Works Construction Project No. 20-010 -2020 Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repairs

Recommendation:

Accept the work constructed by C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc., for Public Works Construction Project No. 20-010, 2020 Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repairs, and direct the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion for the project. Retention on this project shall be disbursed in accordance with California Contract Code.

In 2017, the City of Lancaster launched the Summer of Sidewalks program aimed to alleviate some of the backlog of concrete repair projects needed throughout the City. The overall success

of the project led to the creation of an annual concrete repair program to address future concrete improvements needed throughout the City. As an extension of that program, the 2020 Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter Repairs project repaired or replaced approximately 4,706 Square Feet (SF) of sidewalk, 1,135 SF of cross gutters and spandrels, 860 linear feet of curb and gutter, and 42 curb ramps. The project also provided trimming of 9 trees and removing 2 trees. These improvements coincided with repairs that residents had requested through the Comcate Service Request system, as well as with future Pavement Management Program (PMP) project locations, providing required ADA improvements in advance of these projects. The project was funded through the road bond.

CC 8. Professional Services Agreement for the Creation and Management of a Biotech Incubator

Recommendation:

Approve the Professional Services Agreement with LLC2 Inc. dba Lab Launch for the project management related to the creation and operation of a biotech incubator, and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to finalize and execute all documents related to the Professional Services Agreement.

The creation of the biotech incubator within the City of Lancaster is the first step to fostering a biotech industry cluster that could in turn lead to additional firms locating in the City. We believe that by investing in an incubator, start-up companies, scientists, and entrepreneurs looking to develop their ideas will be able to grow and expand with access to affordable and high-quality facilities, equipment, and a like-minded business community.

CC 9. Parron Hall Furniture Purchase City Hall Renovation and Modernization

Recommendation:

Approve Furniture Purchase Order with Parron Hall for the City Hall Renovation and Modernization in the amount of \$2,209,965.16 plus a 5% contingency to improve the infrastructure of City Hall. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents. Pricing is based on Allsteel's OMNIA Partners contract #R191802.

Since 1947, Parron Hall has been specializing in office and ancillary furniture, architectural walls and doors, technology integration and acoustical control solutions. With 65+ years of experience, Parron Hall combines progressive furniture and architectural products with design expertise to create customized work environments that foster collaboration, communication and productivity. Parron Hall's product divisions work together seamlessly with a complete service division to deliver a workspace from concept through occupancy. The result is a space that supports how people think and move, a space that captures where the City of Lancaster is now and can adapt to who we will become in the future.

PUBLIC HEARING

PH 1. Appeal of the Planning Commission's Approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 20-02 / Tentative Parcel Map No. 82243

Recommendation(s):

Adopt **Resolution No. 21-51**, upholding the Planning Commission's decision by denying the appeal for Conditional Use Permit No. 20-02 / Tentative Parcel Map No. 82243 to allow for the development of a 392-unit multi-family apartment complex with 78 affordable units, and 12,750 square feet of neighborhood serving retail/commercial uses in the Mixed Use-Commercial (MU-C) zone, and to subdivide the subject property into four parcels at the southwest corner of Avenue I and 20th Street West (APN 3121-034-025); and adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration.

The applicant, Investment Concepts, LLC, filed Conditional Use Permit No. 20-02 and Tentative Parcel Map No. 82243 for the development of the subject property into a 392-unit apartment complex with 78 affordable units; 12,750 square feet of neighborhood serving retail/commercial uses; and to subdivide the subject property into four parcels. During a special Planning Commission meeting on July 26, 2021, the appellant submitted another comment letter on the project, which was similar in scope and detail to the first letter. The letter was received minutes before the meeting, and a copy of the letter was provided to the Commissioners who ultimately voted to approve the project (4-0-0-0-3). On August 9, 2021, the appellant filed the appeal and attached the same letter which was provided to the Commission on July 26, 2021.

PH 2. Public Hearing for City Council consideration to receive comments and file the 2020-2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

Recommendation(s):

- 1. Conduct a public hearing for the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) prepared for the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development to report on specific Federal housing assistance and community development activities undertaken by the City of Lancaster during Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and
- 2. Authorize the City Manager to execute any documents necessary to submit the CAPER, along with any comments received during the public hearing and public comment period, to the Department of Housing & Urban Development.

Federal regulations require the City of Lancaster to prepare an annual report called the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The 2020-2021 CAPER is a federally mandated informational assessment report of activities implemented with Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnerships grant funds to address the needs of low- and moderate-income residents. Additionally, the CAPER provides a summary of outcomes associated with HUD funding allocated through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Through this Act, the City received \$1,744,394 in additional CDBG funds specifically earmarked to respond to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

COUNCIL AGENDA

CA1. Youth Sports Assistance Program

Recommendation:

Accept and approve the Youth Sports Assistance Program.

COUNCIL REPORTS

CR1.	Report on the Activities of the Board of Directors for District No. 14 of the County Sanitation
	Districts of Los Angeles County

CR2. Council Reports

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

CITY CLERK/AGENCY/AUTHORITY SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

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CITY COUNCIL / AGENCY/ AUTHORITY COMMENTS

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 Anticipated Litigation: consideration of initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (4) two potential cases.
- 4. Antelope Valley Groundwater Cases Included Action: 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
- 5. Ramos v Patino, LASC Case No. MC027974
- 6. Lozoya v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00714
- 7. Johnson v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00824
- 8. Rahier v. City of Lancaster, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00163
- 9. Brisa Mahoney, et al. v. City of Lancaster, et al., LASC Case No. 2OSTCV02556
- 10. Conference with Real Property Negotiators:

Property: APNs 3124-012-008&009

City negotiators: Mike Livingston, Allison Burns Negotiating parties: Ann Hiramoto; Tina Yoke Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

- 11. Manzo v. Beazer Homes Holdings, LLC et al., LASC Case No. 20AVCV00297
- 12. Hernandez v. County of Los Angeles, et al., LASC Case No. 20AVCV00318
- 13. Romines v. City of Lancaster, et al., LASC Case No. 20AVCV00345

- 14. Moujan v. City of Lancaster et al., LASC Case No. 20AVCV00205
- 15. Davis v. State of California, LASC Case No. 19AVCV00805
- 16. Lancaster v. Netflix, et al., LASC 21STCV01881
- 17. Butts v. Lancaster, LASC 21STCP00389
- 18. Lancaster v. Rives
- 19. Myesha Lopez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. CDCA Case No. 5:21-cv-00290-JGB(SHKx)
- 20. Ortiz v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. 21AVCV00001
- 21. Aijala v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. 21STCV07841
- 22. Gardner v. Dominoids, LASC Case No. 21AVCV00186
- 23. Evans v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. 21AVCV00145
- 24. Bojorquez v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. 20AVCV00894
- 25. Arkey v. Lancaster, LASC Case No.20AVCV00816
- 26. Perez v. Lancaster, LASC Case No. 20AVCV00589

ADJOURNMENT

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