

**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Lancaster, California**

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Date: September 23, 2008

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Geri K. Bryan, CMC, City Clerk

Subject: **Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance No. 906**

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**Recommendation:**

Adopt **Ordinance No. 906**, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California adopting the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan (SP 08-01).

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Background:**

At the September 9, 2008 meeting, the City Council approved the introduction of Ordinance No. 906 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Marquez, Sileo, Vice Mayor Smith, Mayor Parris  
NOES: None  
RECUSED: Council Member: Mann  
ABSENT: None

**Attachment:**

Ordinance No. 906

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING  
THE DOWNTOWN LANCASTER SPECIFIC PLAN (SP  
08-01)

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster is considering the adoption of a specific plan as contained in **Exhibit "A" of this Ordinance**, which is on file in the City Clerk Department, pursuant to Section 65450 et. seq. of the Government Code of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, notice of intention to consider the specific plan for the subject property was given as required in Section 65867 of the Government Code of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the Lancaster Planning Commission on August 18, 2008, at which time the Planning Commission recommended approval of the specific plan with modifications; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before the City Council on September 9, 2008, regarding the proposed specific plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that the proposed specific plan may have effects on the environment, and incorporates by reference all environmental findings as included in **Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 08-80**; and

WHEREAS the City Council hereby makes the following findings in support of Specific Plan No. 08-01:

1. The proposed Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan (SP 08-01) is consistent with the General Plan land use designation of SP for the subject property, and with identified goals, objectives, and policies of the adopted General Plan as identified within City Council Resolution No. 08-80.
2. Modified conditions, including the opportunity to allow for development of the downtown area as a mixed use district containing retail, dining, office space, residential, and public uses in accordance with community goals as expressed in the public outreach effort for preparation of the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan, warrant a revision in the zoning plan as it pertains to the area under consideration.
3. A need for the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan exists to establish the necessary development standards and guidelines for the development of a mixed use area within downtown Lancaster.

4. The particular property under consideration is a proper location for adoption of this specific plan, because it will allow for development that is compatible with and will enhance the City's historic center.
5. Adoption of the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan at such a location will be in the interest of public health, safety, and general welfare and in conformity with good zoning practices, because it allows for development in a way that is sensitive to and consistent with the community's long-term goals for the downtown area; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council hereby adopts by reference all environmental findings contained in **Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 08-80**, which is on file in the City Clerk Department.

Section 2. The City Council hereby approves the Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan (SP 08-01) as contained in **Exhibit "A" of this Ordinance**, which is on file in the City Clerk Department, incorporating all modifications as described on the cover sheet of **Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 08-80**, which is on file in the City Clerk Department.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this Ordinance and will see that it is published and posted in the manner required by law.

I, Geri K. Bryan, CMC, City Clerk of the City of Lancaster, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was regularly introduced and placed upon its first reading on the 9th day of September, 2008, and placed upon its second reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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GERI K. BRYAN, CMC  
City Clerk  
City of Lancaster

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R. REX PARRIS  
Mayor  
City of Lancaster

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

CERTIFICATION OF ORDINANCE  
CITY COUNCIL

I, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ City of  
Lancaster, California, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original  
Ordinance No. 906, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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