

## **PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA**

Minutes for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting held

**August 26, 2021**

The Lancaster Parking Authority (LPA) held its regularly scheduled board meeting on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 8:00 AM at the LPA Administrative Offices at 30 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA.

Members Present: Kyle Sollenberger, Vice-Chairman; Jodie Macariola, Treasurer; Sheldon Weaver, Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Secretary; and Phillip Cabassa, Secretary

Members Absent: Mark Reinmiller, Chairman

Also Present: Larry Cohen, LPA Executive Director; Susan Bleecher, LPA Deputy Executive Director; Ibrahim Aman, LPA Director of Operations; Dave Diffendal, Director of Finance & Administration; Natasha Jones, LPA Finance Manager; Matthew Crème, LPA Solicitor; and Alan Peters, LPA Union Steward.

Public in Attendance: Bernie Harris, City Clerk for the City of Lancaster, Pamela Rigby, Staff Representative for AFSCME District Council 89.

### **Public Comment**

None.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes from July 22, 2021 board meeting were reviewed. Ms. Macariola made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Cabassa seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

### **Finance**

Mr. Diffendal presented the financial reports for July 2021 and year-to-date 2021.

Mr. Diffendal presented the Christian Street Garage project cost summary.

Ms. Bleecher presented proposed garage pricing for 2022 recommending a \$5 increase for all monthly parkers and maintain hourly garage rates. The current pricing philosophy is raising prices as necessary. Mr. Cohen will be working with City Council in 2022 regarding raising on-street parking rates. Mr. Weaver made a motion to approve the proposed rate recommendation. Mr. Cabassa seconded the motion. Mr. Harris had questions regarding grandfather rates with Ms. Bleecher providing explanations on each rate. A motion was made to make an amendment to increase the price for Ream Jewelers rate to market rate by Mr. Weaver. Mr. Sollenberger seconded the amendment. Mr. Cabassa made a motion to approve the amendment. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

### **Personnel**

Ms. Bleecher introduced Ms. Rigby and Mr. Peters to the board and presented the proposed agreement between the Parking Authority of the City of Lancaster and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO, Local 1896. Effective from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026. Ms. Rigby and Mr. Peters thanked the administration for the successful negotiation. Mr. Sollenberger made a motion to approve the proposed agreement. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

**Economic Development**

**Christian Street Garage Project Update**

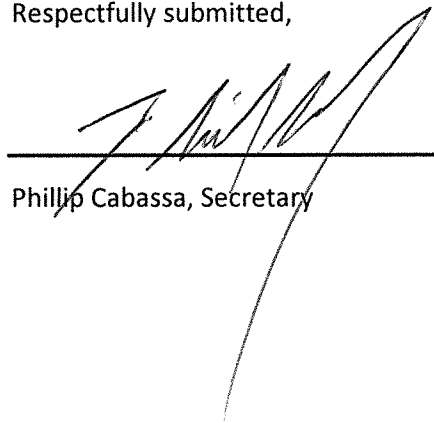
Mr. Cohen provided an update on activities relating to the Christian Street Garage project. The last piece of precast concrete was placed two days ago and the removal of the crane is scheduled for next week. The garage is expected to be opened at the beginning of 2022. The public art engagement process is underway with the final design meeting to be conducted on August 27.

**Other Business**

Mr. Cohen advised the board of Ms. Bleecher's resignation and transition plan for the Deputy Executive Director. Ms. Macariola thanked Ms. Bleecher for her contributions to the LPA.

Ms. Macariola made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cabassa seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present. The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:55 AM. The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 8:00 AM at the LPA Administrative Offices at 30 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Respectfully submitted,



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Phillip Cabassa, Secretary