

PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

Minutes for the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting held

January 26, 2023

The Lancaster Parking Authority (LPA) held its regularly scheduled board meeting on Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 8:01 AM at the LPA Administrative Offices at 30 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA.

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

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Larry Cohen, LPA Executive Director; Ibrahim Aman, LPA Director of Operations; Dave Diffendal, LPA Finance Director; Elizabeth Kraft, LPA Director of Special Projects; Natasha Jones, LPA Finance Manager; Angela Traino, LPA HR Generalist, and Matthew Creme, LPA Solicitor.

Public in Attendance: Bernie Harris, City Clerk for the City of Lancaster; Eileen Gregg, Lancaster Downtowners and City resident; April Koppenhaver, Mulberry Art Studios and City resident; Jan Brenneman, City resident; Arthur Morris, City resident; Arnolda Brenneman, City resident; Benjamin Fowler, Sparrow Artworx and Lancaster County resident.

Public Comment

Eileen Gregg inquired about the public art project for the Christian St. Garage, expressed opposition to the project moving forward as planned, and provided a history of the project to date.

A letter from City resident, Nancy Yaust, was read into the record expressing opposition to the Christian St. Garage public art project as planned and concern that the public had little to no input in the project and were only permitted to choose from 4 similar designs by the same artist from Miami.

April Koppenhaver inquired about the public art project for the Christian St. Garage, the bid received as part of the public bidding process, the responsible party for maintenance of the public art project upon completion, and expressed opposition to the project moving forward as planned.

Arthur Morris thanked the Parking Authority Board for the opportunity for the public to speak and express their concerns about the Christian St. Garage public art project.

Jan Brenneman (and spouse Arnolda Brenneman also in attendance) spoke in opposition to the Christian St. Garage public art project.

Benjamin Fowler spoke in favor of local artists being a part of the Christian St. Garage public art project.

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the December 15, 2022, Board meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Reinmiller and seconded by Mr. Cabassa to approve the minutes. All Board members present approved the motion.

Finance

Mr. Diffendal presented the preliminary December 2022 Financial Report, the Christian Street Garage project cost summary, and final steps in completion of the project, which include the City's partial return of the Authority's financial guarantee for the Christian Street Garage project, with \$40,000 to be held by the City pending completion of a few outstanding minor items necessary for full completion.

Economic Development

Mr. Cohen provided an update on efforts to complete the buildout of the retail space at 123 N. Queen St., as well as steps taken to lease the retail space.

Mr. Cohen discussed the Authority's CRIZ reimbursement and the Authority's ability to secure extra increment from CRIZ in the amount of \$147,000 for the year 2022 to be used for buildout of the Ewell Plaza retail space.

Mr. Cohen informed the Board that open bidding for the stand-alone public art project at the Christian Street Garage resulted in one bid for \$1,500,000. He explained that the bid has not been awarded and that the Authority is looking for ways to modify the project to reduce costs.

Mr. Cabassa made a motion to go into executive session and noted that the Board would adjourn the meeting at the conclusion of executive session. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present. The Board went into executive session at 9:02 AM. The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 8:00 AM in the LPA Administrative Offices located at 30 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Respectfully submitted,



Phillip Cabassa, Secretary