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LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 16, 2022

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in a called Special Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall on May 16, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

**Councilmembers Present (City Hall & Zoom):**

Mayor Clyde C. Hairston  
Carol Strain-Burk  
Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Stanley M. Jaglowski  
Keithsha C. Wheaton  
Mayor Pro-Tem Racheal Hill  
Betty Gooden-Davis  
Marco Mejia  
Mitchell Cheatham seated following oath of office

**City Staff Present (City Hall & Zoom):**

Opal Mauldin-Jones, City Manager  
Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary  
Andrew Waits, Director of Public Works  
Carey Neal, Assistant City Manager  
Chris Youngman, Emergency Management Chief  
Dori Lee, Director of Human Resources  
Jermaine Sapp, Director of Equipment and Facility Services  
Kenneth Johnson, Fire Chief  
Lisa Wube, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Mike Delmore, Director of Finance  
Sam Urbanski, Police Chief  
Shane Shepard, Director of Economic Development  
Vicki Coleman, Director of Development Services  
Cynthia Smith, Admin & Community Relations Supervisor  
Nathaniel Johnson, Management Fellow  
Scott Finley, Communications and Public Relations Coordinator  
David T. Ritter, City Attorney  
Ron Gleaves, IT Manager  
Jennifer Avila, Deputy City Secretary  
Cheryl Womble, Purchasing Agent

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Hairston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 16, 2022.

**Public Testimony/Citizen's Comments:**

There were no speakers.

**Action**

1. Consider a resolution canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the General Election for the office of Councilmember District 1 held on May 7, 2022.

Considere una resolución para presentar los resultados y declarar los resultados de las Elecciones Generales para la oficina de Concejal Distrito 1 celebrado el 7 de Mayo de 2022.

Mayor Hairston read Resolution 2022-05-35 canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the General Election for City Officers held on May 7, 2022 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 1 HELD ON MAY 7, 2022.**

**GENERAL ELECTION**

**LANCASTER, TEXAS**

**MAY 7, 2022**

**CANVASS OF RETURNS AND DECLARATION OF RESULTS OF ELECTION**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT**, on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022, at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order and the following business was transacted.

Upon motion it was unanimously ordered that the City Council consider the official returns of a General Election held in the City of Lancaster on May 7, 2022, for the election of District 1 for a three-year term.

**WHEREUPON**, said official returns were opened, examined, canvassed and the results declared as follows:

**CANVASS OF RETURNS AND DECLARATION OF RESULTS**

**WHEREAS**, heretofore, the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, called a General Election to be held in the City on May 7, 2022, to elect a Councilmember for District 1 for a three-year term; and

**WHEREAS**, immediately after said election the Presiding Judge and other officials holding said election made their returns of the results thereof to the City Council as follows, and said returns being made according to law, and duly authenticated, and it being shown that written notice of said election was posted for the time and in the manner provided by law, and all other proceedings pertaining to said election having been shown to have been done and performed at and within the manner provided by law, and all papers pertaining thereto having been returned and filed with the City Council and no protest or objection being made to or regarding any matter pertaining to said election.

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2022, City Council approved Resolution No. 2022-03-19 which declared the unopposed candidate in District 3 (Marco Mejia) and the unopposed candidate in District 5 (Mitchell Cheatham) to be elected to said office.

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**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, after examining said returns and opening and canvassing the votes of said election, that the results of said election are as follows:

That the following number of votes was cast for the following named candidates for the office of Councilmember, District 1, to-wit:

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Vote %</b>	<b>EV-In Person</b>	<b>EV Mail</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	<b>EV-ED Provisional</b>
Carol Strain-Burk	490	76.68%	340	25	125	0
Lawrence L. Prothro	149	23.32%	89	11	49	0

It appearing that Carol Strain-Burk received a majority of all votes cast for the office of Councilmember, District 1, Carol Strain-Burk is hereby declared to be elected to the office of Councilmember, District 1, to serve a three-year term after qualifying.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this canvass and declaration of results of said election be entered in the Minutes of the City Council.

This Resolution, declaring the results of the general election, shall become effective immediately after its passage.

**DULY PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Mejia made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Jaglowski to approve consent item number C1. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

Mayor Hairston shared his appreciation for Mayor Pro-Tem Hill services to the citizens of Lancaster, TX in District 5.

Councilmember Mayor Por-Tem Hill thanked God, District 5, City Staff, City Secretary, City Manager and Mayor Hairston.

Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Jaglowski shared his gratitude towards Mayor Pro-Tem Hill and welcomed newly elected Mitchell Cheatham.

Councilmember Mejia thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Hill for her services from District 3.  
Councilmember Gooden-Davis shared her appreciation with working with Mayor Pro-Tem Hill.

**2. Administer oaths of office, present Certificates of Election, and seat newly elected Councilmembers.**

Judge Nash administered the Oaths of Office for Carol Strain-Burk. Certificate of Election was presented by Mayor Hairston.

City Secretary Arenas administered the Oath of Office for Marco Mejia. Mayor Hairston presented certificate of Elections.

City Secretary Arenas administered the Oath of Office for Mitchell Cheatham. Mayor Hairston presented certificate of Elections.

Councilmember Marco Mejia shared his appreciation for the City of Lancaster and District 3 for allowing him to serve.

Councilmember Strain-Burk thanked God, family and citizens of District 1.

Councilmember Cheatham shared his appreciation to Mayor Pro-Tem Hill and Councilmembers.

### **3. Discuss and consider election of a Mayor Pro Tempore.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Mejia made a motion to nominate Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Jaglowski, seconded by Councilmember Strain-Burk to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

### **4. Discuss and consider election of a Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Mejia made a motion to nominate Councilmember Gooden-Davis, seconded by Councilmember Strain-Burk to serve as Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

### **Executive Session**

#### **5. In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (the Texas Open Meetings Act), the City Council may meet in executive session to discuss the following:**

- a. **Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council shall convene in executive session to confer with the City's attorney to discuss pending, threatened, contemplated or potential related litigation in regard to DWC Claim/Docket #: 20156233-01-CC-FW.**
- b. **Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council shall convene in executive session to confer with the City's attorney to discuss pending, threatened, contemplated or potential related litigation in regard to Real Property located at 632 Reindeer Road.**
- c. **Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council shall convene in executive session to confer with the City's attorney to discuss pending, threatened, contemplated or potential related litigation in regard to Real Property located at 1508 Dewberry Boulevard (Bel-Air Place Apartments). c.**

Mayor Hairston recessed at 7:26 p.m. and reconvened at 8:13 p.m.

#### **6. Reconvene into open session. Consider and take appropriate action(s), if any, on closed/executive session matters.**

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**MOTION:** Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem Gooden-Davis to direct the City Attorney to file a lawsuit to address the substandard property condition at 632 Reindeer Rd. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

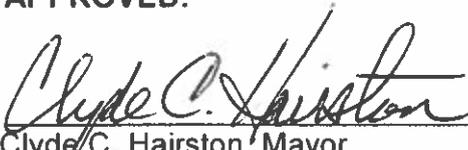
**MOTION:** Mayor Pro-Tem Jaglowski made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia to adjourn. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
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Clyde C. Hairston, Mayor