



CITY OF LA VERNE

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA - AMENDED

Tim Hepburn, Mayor

Wendy Lau, Council Member
Steven Frank Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem

Rick Crosby, Council Member
Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita, Council Member

Monday, November 18, 2024
Closed Session at 5:30 PM
Regular Meeting at 6:30 PM
La Verne City Hall - Council Chambers,
3660 D Street, La Verne, CA 91750

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- Once items are considered by the City Council, no further public comment on that matter will be accepted. A time limit of 3-minutes is set for all public comments.

Council Meeting Decorum: Per the City's Rules for Decorum, all Speakers and Members of the Audience are to conduct themselves with decorum and not engage in willful conduct which interrupts the meeting or with the orderly conduct of the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Council Member Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita, Council Member Rick

Crosby, Council Member Wendy Lau, Mayor Pro Tem Steven F. Johnson, and Mayor Tim Hepburn.

CLOSED SESSION TOPIC

Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Pursuant to Government Code § 54957(b)(1): Title: City Manager

Conference with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Negotiators: City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and Deputy City Attorney. Employee Organization(s): La Verne City Employees Association, La Verne Firefighters Association, La Verne Police Middle Management Association, La Verne Police Officers' Association; and all Unrepresented Employees.

The City Council will recess and reconvene at 6:30 PM for the regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 6:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - BROWNIE GIRL SCOUT LUCY COZENS

ROLL CALL

Council Member Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita, Council Member Rick Crosby, Council Member Wendy Lau, Mayor Pro Tem Steven F. Johnson, and Mayor Tim Hepburn.

PRESENTATIONS

Police Department New Hires and Promotions The Police Department will introduce several new and recently promoted employees. These employees include Officer Zach Fidler, Officer Michael McJunkin, Officer Hayley Reyes, and Community Services Officer Daisy Pulido.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

(Any person who wishes to make a brief announcement of a future community event that is open to the public may do so at this time.)

CONSENT CALENDAR

(All items on the Consent Calendar are routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a member of the Council or member of the audience requests separate discussion.)

1. City Council Minutes of the Closed and Regular meeting of November 4, 2024.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the minutes of November 4, 2024.

2. Register of Audited Demands in the amount of \$661,809.42, dated 10/30/24.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the audited demands.

3. **Safe Clean Water (Measure W) Transfer Agreement for Receipt of Funds through FY 27-28 and Authorization for City Manager to Execute Documents.** This action will authorize the City Manager to execute the attached Transfer Agreement with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to enable the City to receive and utilize Safe Clean Water (Measure W) funds for stormwater compliance. The agreement is for FY 2023-24 through FY 27-28 and provides approximately \$560,000 annually for La Verne's Municipal Stormwater Program.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve, and authorize the City Manager to execute on their behalf, the attached Transfer Agreement with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District Safe Clean Water Program (Measure W) for Municipal Program funds from FY 23-24 through FY 27-28.

4. **Adoption of Resolution Appropriating \$1.8 Million of Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District Funds and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments for Implementation of the Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge Project** This appropriation will provide matching funds for the Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge Project, approve an agreement with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments to continue to serve as lead on the design and construction of the Project, and authorize the City Manager to execute related documents and amendments.

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Appropriate \$1,800,000 in Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District Funds to the Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge Project;
2. Approve the attached Agreement Regarding the Design and Construction of the Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge by the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments on Behalf of the City of La Verne; and
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute any related documents or amendments, subject to review by the City Attorney.

5. **CalOES Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Program Resolution** The City of La Verne was awarded \$164,295 in grant funding through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) from the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to update the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. The grant requires that the City Council adopt a resolution to accept the federal funding for this program.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve a Resolution entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING ITS AGENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE".

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. **Adoption of an Urgency Ordinance Establishing Minimum Densities in the Mixed-Use 1 and Mixed-Use 2 Districts of the Old Town La Verne Specific Plan and Determination that the Ordinance is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.** This Urgency Ordinance proposes the adoption of minimum density requirements within the Mixed-Use 1 and Mixed-Use 2 districts of the Old Town La Verne Specific Plan. The purpose is to ensure that developments meet state housing requirements, support housing element objectives, and contribute to the city's long-term vision for economic and residential growth in Old Town La Verne. Additionally, City Council is requested to determine that the item is exempt as it does not

qualify as a project per CEQA section 15378(b)(5) and section 15061(b)(3), the commonsense exemption that it can be seen with certainty that it will not create an environmental impact on the environment.

Recommendation: That the City Council, through a 4/5 vote, adopt the Urgency Ordinance establishing the minimum densities in the Mixed-Use 1 and Mixed-Use 2 Districts of the Old Town La Verne Specific Plan and determine that the Urgency Ordinance is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act per sections 15378(b)(5) and 15061(b)(3) and the City's environmental guidelines.

OTHER MATTERS

7. **Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update Award of Contract.**

The City of La Verne's Parks and Recreation Master Plan, last updated in 2006, is due for a comprehensive update to reflect the City's growth and evolving community needs. After a thorough request for proposals (RFP) process, the City has identified KTU & A Planning and Landscape Architecture (KTUA) as the most qualified firm to lead this update.

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement, and any amendments related thereto, with KTUA, at prices bid, with an estimated cost of \$274,120, for the update of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

8. **Christmas Morning Parade Route Designation and Authorization of Paid Stipend Incentive for Employee Participation.** Since 1925, the Christmas Morning event has been held in which Santa is driven through the streets of La Verne accompanied by emergency vehicles signaling a time for neighbors to share the tidings of the season together. This year, the City Council is asked to approve designating all streets as a parade route and authorize a paid stipend for full and part-time participating City staff in order to facilitate the event.

Recommendation: That the City Council designate the streets in the City of La Verne as a parade route on Wednesday, December 25, 2024, from 7:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. to complete the Christmas Morning Parade program and authorize the provision of a \$500 stipend to participating full and part-time City staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time set aside for anyone wishing to address the City Council on items not listed in any other place on the agenda. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from talking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. However, your concerns may be referred to staff or set for discussion later. Please email your public comment to the City Clerk's Office at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org. Your public comment will be shared with the City Council and included as part of the permanent record. There is a 3-minute time limit on public comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS

Each Council Member may address the Council and public on matters of general information and/or concern. This is also the time for Council Members to report on conferences and/or meetings they have attended per Assembly Bill 1234.

ADJOURNMENT

HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM THE LA VERNE CITY COUNCIL!



THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LA VERNE CITY COUNCIL IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024. THE STUDY SESSION AND OR CLOSED SESSION REGULARLY SCHEDULED TO START AT 5:30 P.M. IS CANCELED DUE TO THE ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AT 6:00 P.M. THE REGULAR MEETING WILL START AT 6:30 P.M.

CAROLERS & SANTA CLAUS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND!



RESIDENT INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Tuesday, November 19 - Ad Hoc Water And Sewer Rate Study Committee meeting, City Hall, 6:00 pm

Monday, December 2 - Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District meeting, Café Wang, 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Monday, December 2 - City Council meeting, City Hall Council Chamber, 5:30 pm

Monday, December 2 - Tree Lighting Ceremony, City Hall, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 3 - Development Review Committee meeting, City Hall, 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Saturday, December 7 - Brunch with Santa and Friends, Community Center, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Monday, December 9 - Senior Movie Matinee, Community Center, 12:30 pm

Tuesday, December 10 - Youth & Family Action Committee meeting, City Hall, 5:00 pm

Wednesday, December 11 - Public Financing Authority (EIFD) meeting, City Hall, 9:00am - 10:00 am

Saturday, December 14 - Winter Wonderland, Heritage Park, 9:00 am -1:00 pm

Monday, December 16 - City Council meeting, City Hall, Council Chamber, 5:30 pm

Saturday, December 21 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event - LA County, Bracket Field Airport, Fairplex Drive & West McKinley Ave., 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Posting Statement: A true and amended copy of this Agenda was posted on November 12, 2024, on the bulletin board at La Verne City Hall, 3660 D Street, La Verne, and on the City's website at www.cityoflaverne.org.