



CITY OF LA VERNE

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tim Hepburn, Mayor

Wendy Lau, Council Member
Steven Frank Johnson, Council Member

Rick Crosby, Council Member
Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita, Mayor Pro Tem

Monday, September 15, 2025
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 Steven F. Johnson, Council Member Wendy Lau, Council Member Rick Crosby, Mayor Pro Tem Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita, and Mayor Tim Hepburn.

CLOSED SESSION TOPIC**Conference with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:**

Negotiators: City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and City Attorney.

Employee Organization(s): La Verne City Employees Association, La Verne Firefighters Association, La Verne Fire Middle Management, La Verne Police Officers Association, La Verne Police Middle Management Association, and all Unrepresented Employees.

Conference with Legal Counsel - Initiation of Litigation: Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4): Potential Litigation. (one case)

Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Workers' Compensation Appeals Case: Case Number: WCAB No. ADJ19245829, and ADJ19432803.

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

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 6:30 PM**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - CIVIL AIR PATROL SQUADRON 64****ROLL CALL**

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

PRESENTATIONS

National Preparedness Month Proclamation - Each September, National Preparedness Month is recognized to promote disaster and emergency planning, emphasizing the need to strengthen community resilience. This observance serves as a crucial reminder for residents to stay informed and be better equipped to handle emergencies.

Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation - Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated annually from September 15 to October 15 to recognize the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans on the history, culture, and achievements of the United States.

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Proclamation - FASD Awareness occurs every September to advocate in support for individuals and families living with FASD.

2025 Photo Contest Results - This year, the City conducted its first ever photo contest to highlight La Verne, and over 40 submissions were received. Tonight we will present the awards for the top photos across the various categories.

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 Session & Regular meeting of August 18, 2025.

Recommendation: That City Council approve the minutes.

2. Register(s) of Audited Demands in the following amounts:**Fiscal Year 2024-25**

\$132,307.15 dated 08/05/25

\$240,900.47 dated 08/13/25

Fiscal Year 2025-25

\$294,425.55 dated 08/05/25

\$2,014,890.17 dated 08/13/25

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the audited demands.

3. Street Vacation of Bunnelle Avenue From Baseline Road to SR 210 Freeway. Request to vacate a segment of Bunnelle Avenue, located between Baseline Road and SR 210. This segment exists only as a paper street with no current improvements, and the City has determined that constructing a roadway in this location would not improve circulation or access.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt a Resolution summarily vacating a portion of Bunnelle Avenue from Baseline Road to SR 210 Freeway within the City of La Verne.

4. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinances Regarding Zoning Amendments Related to Accessory Dwelling Units, Reasonable Accommodation, Two-Unit Housing Projects and Urban Lot Splits, and Adding a New Section on Historic Structures and an Amendment to Chapter 8.20 Relating to Noise (Case No. 54-25ZA, 55-25ZA, 56-25ZA, 57-25ZA) and Findings of Exemption under CEQA. Four ordinances are being presented for Second Reading for City Council adoption to bring the La Verne Municipal Code into compliance with State law and implement the General Plan. Updates address accessory dwelling units (ADUs), historic structures and noise regulations, reasonable accommodations, and two-unit housing projects and urban lot splits. All actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) or covered by prior environmental review.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the following Ordinances:

1. An "ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ZONING PROVISIONS OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW AND MAKING A DETERMINATION THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21080.17 (Case Number 54-25ZA)";
2. An "ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.56.090 RELATING TO HISTORIC STRUCTURES AND DELETING AND READOPTING CHAPTER 8.20 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO NOISE TO IMPLEMENT THE ACTION ITEMS SET FORTH IN THE LA VERNE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE (Case Number 55-25ZA)";

3. An "ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CHAPTER 18.116 AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 18.116 TO TITLE 18, ZONING, OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURES AND MAKING A DETERMINATION THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 15061(B)(3) (Case Number 56- 25ZA)"; and
4. An "ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 18.22 AND SECTION 16.12.060 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPLEMENT STATE LAW CHANGES RELATING TO TWO-UNIT HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS AND URBAN LOT SPLITS AND MAKING A DETERMINATION THAT THE ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 65852.21 AND 66411.7 (Case Number 57-25ZA)".

PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

5. **Update and Direction Regarding Appointments to a City Council Ad Hoc Sub-Committee on Regional Fire and Emergency Medical Services.** The City of Pomona was notified by the County of Los Angeles Fire Department of a 365-day Notice of Termination on April 16, 2025. On July 7, 2025, the Pomona City Council provided direction to their City Manager to review options for providing fire services. This item seeks the appointment of two City Council members to an Ad Hoc Sub-Committee on Regional Fire and Emergency Medical Services to work with the City Pomona to ensure the continuation of regional fire and emergency medical services.

Recommendation: That the City Council receive an update regarding the City of Pomona fire and emergency medical services and appoint two City Council members to an Ad Hoc City Council Sub-Committee to identify and discuss regional needs and future fire and emergency medical services in the east San Gabriel Valley.

6. **Appointment of Resident Commission Members to City Advisory Commissions and Committees - Planning Commission, Finance Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Active Transportation and Infrastructure Commission, and Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.** The City Council has opportunities for residents to serve on various advisory commissions, committees, and boards. With the recent reorganization of the committees to increase resident participation and adoption of Chapter 2.46 in the La Verne Municipal Code, it is necessary for the City Council to make appointments.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve resident appointments to various committees and commissions per La Verne Municipal Code Chapter 2.46.

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 and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. 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@laverneca.gov. 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

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA VERNE CITY COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED
FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.**

Posting Statement: A true copy of this Agenda was posted on September 9, 2025, on the bulletin board at La Verne City Hall, 3660 D Street, La Verne, and on the City's website at www.laverneca.gov.

RESIDENT INFORMATION**UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

Wednesday, September 17 - Senior Advisory Committee meeting, La Verne Community Center, 10:00 am

Friday, September 19 - Senior Seminar Series, Community Center, 10:30 am

Tuesday, September 23 - Health & Resource Fair & Flu Shot Clinic, Community Center, 9:00 am

Tuesday, September 23 - Youth & Family Committee meeting, City Hall, 5:00 pm

Wednesday, September 24 - Senior Seminar Series, Community Center, 10:30 am

Friday, October 3 - Harvest Pumpkin Patch starts, Heritage Park, 4:00 pm

Monday, October 6 - City Council meeting, City Hall, 5:30 pm

Tuesday, October 7 - Development Review Committee meeting, City Hall, 9:00 am

Wednesday, October 8 - Planning Commission meeting, City Hall, 6:30 pm

Friday, October 10 - Senior Seminar Series, Community Center, 10:30 am

Saturday, October 11 - Vendor Fair, Heritage Park, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday, October 11 - Trunk or Treat, City Hall Parking Lot, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Monday, October 13 - Senior Movie Matinee, Community Center, 12:30 pm

Wednesday, October 15 - Senior Seminar Series, Community Center, 10:30 am

Monday, October 20 - City Council meeting, City Hall, 5:30 pm

Friday, October 24 - Dance for Those with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Community Center, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Saturday, October 25 - Classic Car Show, Heritage Park, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Tuesday, October 28 - Youth & Family Action Subcommittee meeting, City Hall, 5:00 pm

Friday, October 31 - Halloween Trick or Treat in Old Town La Verne, Mainiero Square, 3:00 - 6:00 pm