



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, May 18, 2026
Study Session at 4:30 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.

Online Service Disruption: In the event there is a service disruption that prevents remote access to the meeting, the City shall recess open session to restore service. The City Council meeting may only reconvene open session after service is restored or, following an hour of attempting to restore service, the City Council identifies by roll-call vote that the continuation of the meeting outweighs the need for remote access.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA - 4:30 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.

STUDY SESSION TOPIC

Budget Study Session - The City Council will conduct a Study Session, presented by staff, for the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget.

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**

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**Damien Spartans Division 1 State Champions 2025-26**

The 2025–26 Damien Spartan basketball team began the season as an unproven roster made up of 6 seniors, 5 juniors, 4 sophomores, and 5 freshmen, but finished as a tight-knit group of undisputed champions. Fueled by stifling defense, relentless three-point shooting, and unwavering resilience, the Spartans quickly established themselves as contenders. They opened the season with five consecutive double-digit victories to win the Battle of Rosecrans title, rebounded from a narrow post-Thanksgiving loss by capturing a second tournament championship, and used a challenging December slate against national competition to prepare for a strong postseason run.

Damien carried that momentum into the new year, winning 11 straight double-digit games and securing its first Baseline League title in four years. After briefly struggling against elite Open Division opponents in early February, the Spartans responded with six consecutive victories to close the season. Through adversity, toughness, and team chemistry, this remarkable group of student-athletes achieved the ultimate goal and cemented its legacy as Division 1 State Champions.

The team was coached by Michael LeDuc, Eric Johnson, Yancy Dodson, Darian Zabel, and Andrew Garcia.

PLAYERS:	George Bachoura	Reiner Bowen	Kameron Dodson	Nathaniel Ford
Samuel Franco	Elijah Garner	Marcus Gholar	Finnian Herod	Dillon Hsieh
Joseph Mariles-Jara	Andrew Martin	Zayden Minor	Cameron Murray Jr	Kyle Nickelberry
Joseph O'Connor	Cruz Polanco	Zaire Rasshan	Elijah Smith	Abraham Sorian
Nathaniel Voigt				

Public Works Week Proclamation - The third week of May is distinguished as Public Works Week, honoring the value and necessity of the Public Works Department. During this time we recognize how public works professionals contribute to and enhance the quality of life in La Verne.

Asian American & Pacific Islander Proclamation - Every May, we honor the role that Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders play in developing this nation and the benefits that they add to the community of La Verne.

Soroptimist International Proclamation - The La Verne/San Dimas Chapter was named the California Nonprofit of the Year for 2026. The organization's mission includes providing educational scholarships, mentorship opportunities, and resources designed to empower women and girls to achieve their full potential, thereby strengthening families and the broader community.

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 and Regular meeting of May 4, 2026.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the minutes.

2. Registers of Audited Demands in the amount of \$770,195.87, dated 04/01/26, and in the amount of \$1,531,539.46, dated 04/22/26, and in the amount of \$1,418,967.45, dated 04/29/26.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the audited demands.

3. Approval of the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District Annual Report and Intention to Levy an Annual Assessment. The annual report for the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District has been prepared for review by the City Council. Per state law, the City Council is required to declare its intention to hold a public hearing to levy annual assessments for the businesses located within the District area.

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Approve the Annual Report for the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District (BID); and,
2. Adopt the attached Resolution declaring the City's intention to levy an annual assessment for Fiscal Year 2026-27 for the BID at their meeting on June 1, 2026.

4. Operations & Maintenance Community Facilities District No. 90-1; Special Tax Levy Fiscal Year 2026-27. Operation and Maintenance Community Facilities District No. 90-1 (O&M CFD 90-1), a special tax district within the La Verne Industrial Specific Plan, requires the City Council to authorize the levy annually. Exhibit "A" of the attached resolution lists the properties and their levy's included in the district.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution, levying a special tax for Fiscal Year 2026-27 per the schedule shown in Exhibit "A" attached to the Resolution, which increases the rate by 3.4% to address cost increases based on the annual consumer price index ending March 2026.

5. **Community Facilities District No. 11-1; Special Tax Levy Fiscal Year 2026-27.** The City Council, on an annual basis, must authorize the tax levy for Community Facilities District No. 11-1 (CFD No. 11-1), a special fire tax for buildings three stories (thirty-five feet) and above or with fire flows of 3,500 Gallons Per Minute or more, which was first established in 2011.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution levying a special tax for Fiscal Year 2026-27 within Community Facilities District No. 11-1, increasing the levy by 3% pursuant to Ordinance No. 1023.

6. **Denial of Liability Claim #26-06.** A claim for damages related to denial of lifetime medical benefits for a former employee who resigned is being recommended due to facts present which do not support the claim. While claims of liability are typically handled for the City by the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority, this claim is recommended to be acted upon by the City Council.

Recommendation: That the City Council deny the Claim for Damages, Claim 26-06, received April 7, 2026.

7. **Resolution Canceling the July 6, 2026 City Council Meeting.** The first meeting in July 2026 is requested to be canceled due to the timing of the meeting occurring around the July 4th holiday, causing agenda production issues and corresponding lack of business items. Accordingly, the item requires the City Council to adopt a resolution to cancel the meeting.

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the attached resolution titled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, CANCELING THE JULY 6, 2026, CITY COUNCIL MEETING."

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. **Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6 and Zones 2, 3, 4-I, 4-II, 5 and 6 Public Hearing & Resolution for Annual Levy.** On April 20, 2026, the City Council adopted a Resolution setting May 18, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district and its zones.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt a Resolution providing for the annual levy and collection of assessments for the special zones in District No. 6 for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

9. **Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 7 Public Hearing; Resolution providing for the Annual Levy.** On April 20, 2026, the City Council adopted a Resolution setting May 18, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district. There is no increase to assessment amount levied for this Fiscal Year from the prior year assessment. The proposed assessment amount of \$693.26 per parcel is at the maximum allowable assessment for the District.

Recommendation: That City Council adopt a Resolution, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

10. **Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 8 Public Hearing; Resolution providing for**

the Annual Levy. On April 20, 2026, the City Council adopted a Resolution setting May 18, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district. There is no proposed increase in the assessment from last year's levy. It is proposed to set the levy at the 1996-97 approved full year's assessment of \$249.70 per parcel.

Recommendation: That City Council adopt the attached Resolution, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

- 11. Maintenance District No. 84-1M, Esperanza Road Slopes; Public Hearing and Resolution providing for the Annual Levy.** The City Council will conduct a public hearing regarding the annual levy for Maintenance District 84-1M for Fiscal Year 2026-27. The proposed assessment remains unchanged at \$8.00 per parcel.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the attached Resolution, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

- 12. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of the City of La Verne 2025 Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan Update.** The proposed item considers adoption of the City's 2025 Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan Update, which updates the City's long-term water supply planning and drought response framework in accordance with State requirements.

Recommendation: That the City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing on the City's 2025 Urban Water Management Plan Update and Water Shortage Contingency Plan and
2. Adopt a resolution titled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE"; and
3. Adopt a resolution titled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE 2025 WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN"

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

- 13. Approval of an Internal Loan from the Sewer Fund to the Water Fund and Adoption of Repayment Terms.** Approval of an internal loan from the Sewer Fund to the Water Fund in the amount not-to-exceed \$4,000,000 and adoption of repayment terms in accordance with the City's Fund Loan Policy.

Recommendation: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution titled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN INTERNAL LOAN NOT-TO-EXCEED FOUR MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE SEWER FUND TO THE WATER FUND AND AUTHORIZING DRAWS AND ADOPTING REPAYMENT TERMS."

- 14. First Reading of an Ordinance Pertaining to Regulated Mobility Devices (e-bikes, scooters, etc.)** The proposed ordinance adds Chapter 10.80 to Title 10 of the La Verne Municipal Code to regulate the operation of regulated mobility devices, including electric bicycles, electric scooters, and similar devices. The ordinance establishes definitions, operational rules, safety requirements, enforcement mechanisms, and penalties to promote public safety and welfare.

Recommendation: That the City Council introduce by title only and waive further reading of an Ordinance titled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 10.80 TO TITLE 10 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING THE USE OF REGULATED MOBILITY DEVICES."

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, JUNE 1, 2026.
STUDY/CLOSED SESSION AT 5:30 P.M., REGULAR MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.**

Posting Statement: A true copy of this Agenda was posted on May 12, 2026, 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, May 20 - Senior Advisory Committee meeting, LV Community Center, 10:00 am

Thursday, May 21 - Public Works Open House, City Yard, 2620 1st Street, 4:00 pm

Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day Ceremony, Veterans Hall, 11:00 am

Wednesday, May 27 - Senior Seminar Series, LV Community Center, 10:30 am

Thursday, May 28 - Deadline for America 250 Essay & Photo Contest Submittals, laverneca.gov/historicevents

Friday, May 29 - Senior Seminar Series, LV Community Center, 10:30 am

Monday, June 1 - City Council meeting, City Hall, 5:30 pm Closed/Study Session and 6:30 pm Regular meeting

Tuesday, June 2 - Development Review Committee, City Hall, 9:00 am

Wednesday, June 3 - Senior Seminar Series, LV Community Center, 10:30 am

Monday, June 8 - Senior Movie Matinee, LV Community Center, 12:30 pm

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

Wednesday, June 10 - Planning Commission meeting, City Hall, 6:30 pm