

1. 2023-02-06 City Council Meeting

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Monday, February 06, 2023 - 6:30 p.m.
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- 1) View the meeting through the City's website at www.cityoflaverne.org/live and click on "Watch Live".
- 2) Individuals can email their comments to the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org up to noon on the day of the meeting. Those comments will be shared with City Council in advance of the City Council meeting and included as part of the permanent record. **Please be advised that public comments submitted by emails or any other format to the City are public records that will be made available for public viewing.**
- 3) Individuals who wish to share their comments directly during the meeting may do so by emailing the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org with their phone number and the item(s) they wish to speak on. Requests will be accepted before and throughout the meeting and staff will call you back at the appropriate time. 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.
- 4) If you wish to participate via Zoom, you will need to register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_iEMhwwSLQq-ArxKOpUzo6g before 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2023, and please be aware that space is limited. You will have the ability to watch the meeting in real time and raise your hand to request to comment as appropriate on the current agenda item(s). Once it is your turn to speak, you will be brought into the meeting and have the ability to turn your video on when called upon.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL:** Council Member Meshal “Kash” Kashifalghita, Council Member Steven Johnson, Council Member Wendy Lau, Mayor Pro Tem Rick Crosby, and Mayor Tim Hepburn.

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Presentation – The City of La Verne participated with SCAG as part of a region wide EV Infrastructure Plan. The primary objective of the Plan is to understand how to best continue fostering EV adoption in alignment with the State’s goals. Throughout the project, SCAG completed a region wide EV charging station suitability analysis, conducted site evaluations, engaged the public and stakeholders to understand barriers to EV adoption, reviewed the City’s policies related to streamlined EV permitting, and developed educational resources for the public, City staff, and property owners. This presentation will review the key results of this project as it relates to the City of La Verne.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS** (Any person who wishes to make a brief announcement of a future community event that is open to the general public may do so at this time.)

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

a. **City Council Minutes** of January 17, 2023, ***to be received and filed.***

b. **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$656,612.38 dated December 29, 2022, in the amount of \$1,942,938.71 dated January 5, 2023, in the amount of \$654,313.46 dated January 12, 2023, in the amount of \$1,339,865.12 dated January 19, 2023, and in the amount of \$555,070.85, dated January 26, 2023, for ***approval.***

c. **City of La Verne Treasurer’s Report for Quarter’s Ending September 30, 2022, and December 31, 2022** - The Treasurer’s Reports for Quarter’s ending September 30, 2022, and December 31, 2022, are submitted for City Council to receive and file per City of La Verne Administrative Regulation Number 215, the Statement of Investment Policy, and the State of California’s Government Code (GC) Section 53646.

Staff recommends that the City Council receive and file the Treasurer’s Report for the Quarter’s ending September 30, 2022, and December 31, 2022.

- d. **Purchase of Grant Funded Portable Vehicle Barriers** - The Department received grant funding from a State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) to purchase protection barriers to be used to strengthen public safety.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the purchase of an eight-barrier trailer kit from Meridian Rapid Defense Group for \$86,633.48; and authorize the City Manager to execute applicable documents.

- e. **Additional Compensation for Utility Supervisor Assigned to Standby** - After the promotion of employee Ralph Hernandez to Utility Supervisor, the City has a need for an employee to serve in a back-up standby duty role. Since no other non-exempt employees currently qualify for this role, the City Council is requested to authorize, by minute order, additional compensation for Mr. Hernandez to serve on standby when needed.

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize, by minute order, that Ralph Hernandez receive additional compensation as provided under Article 12 of the La Verne City Employees' Association Memorandum of Understanding when assigned to standby duty.

- f. **Staff recommends approval and passage of the following Resolutions:**

1. **Resolution No. 23-06** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THAT WEEDS, BRUSH, RUBBISH AND REFUSE UPON OR IN FRONT OF SPECIFIED PROPERTY IN THE CITY ARE A SEASONAL AND RECURRENT PUBLIC NUISANCE , AND DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABATEMENT THEREOF - *Each year, the County of Los Angeles Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights & Measures, conducts inspections for weeds, brush, rubbish, and refuse on public and private property that may be considered a seasonal and recurrent nuisance. A list of properties is provided to the City for review. City Council is required to declare its intention to provide for this abatement and set a public hearing for affected property owners to register objections to said abatement.*

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 23-06, declaring the intention to provide for the abatement of weeds, brush, rubbish, and refuse, and setting a public hearing for Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Resolution No. 23-07** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PASADENA FOR THE LA VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS RELATING TO MAJOR EVENTS AT THE ROSE BOWL - *The City of Pasadena approached the City of La Verne requesting to enter into a contract to provide supplemental law enforcement functions relating to major events, such as the Rose Bowl, the Tournament of Roses Parade, and other events taking place at the Rose Bowl Stadium in the City of Pasadena. This is the third extension of this agreement between the City of Pasadena and the City of La Verne.*

Staff recommends that the City Council approve Resolution No. 23-07, authorizing the agreement between the City of La Verne and the City of Pasadena, for supplemental law enforcement services for a term of three (3) years and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

7. **OTHER MATTERS**

Discussion and Potential Consideration Related Directly Elected Mayor Position - Council Member Johnson has requested an item to discuss and consider revisiting a directly elected mayor in-lieu of the current rotational system set forth by Ordinance No. 1107 adopted on December 6, 2021, by a 4-1 vote of the City Council. This item will allow discussion and for the City Council to provide appropriate direction.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council provide direction related to re-establishing a directly elected Mayor position.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** - 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 at a later date. Please email your public comment to the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org. Your public comment will be shared with the City Council and included as part of the permanent record. If you wish to speak, email your phone number and staff will call you back. There is a 3-minute time limit on public comments.

9. **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.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Due to a legal Holiday, La Verne City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2023, and therefore the regular scheduled Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

ADVISORY STAFF

- _____ Ken Domer, City Manager
- _____ JR Ranells, Assistant City Manager
- _____ Kimberly Hall Barlow, City Attorney
- _____ Lupe Gaeta Estrella, Assistant City Clerk
- _____ Anthony Ciotti, Interim Public Works Director
- _____ Eric Scherer, Director of Community Development
- _____ Christy Lopez, Finance Director
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- _____ Yvonne Duran, Community Services Manager
- _____ Cody Howing, City Engineer

Posting Statement: On January 31, 2023, a true and correct copy of this Agenda was posted on the bulletin board at La Verne City Hall, 3660 D Street, La Verne, and on the City's website at www.cityoflaverne.org.