

CITY OF LA VERNE

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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3660 D Street, La Verne, CA

Monday, September 18, 2023

Christmas Morning Study Session at 5:30 p.m. and Regular City Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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

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.

STUDY SESSION – 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

STUDY SESSION - CHRISTMAS MORNING PROGRAM

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

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Jess Gomez; U.S. Army Special. E-4

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

PRESENTATIONS

RECOGNITION OF LA VERNE LITTLE LEAGUE 12U ALL-STAR TEAM - The La Verne Little League 12U All-Star Team won the Little League District 20 and Section 3 Tournaments, going undefeated heading into the California State Tournament. The Team went 2-2 in the State Tournament, beating Del Mar and Aliso Viejo, only losing two games the entire All-Star season to two great teams, the Little League World Champions El Segundo and Sherman Oaks who were the second ranked team in the United States. These boys have represented La Verne well amongst our neighboring cities in Districts since most of them were 7 years old, only losing 3 games in 5 years with 4 District Championships. Our 12U Little League All-Stars were recently ranked by the Little League Baseball International Tournament as the #4 Team in California and #18 Team in the United States. The team was managed by Brad McKinney and coached by Ryan Gomez and Chris Rix.

Silas Barker
Christian Lopez
Drew McKinney
Noah Gomez

Austin Horn
Matt Krause
Gaetano Miranda

Anthony Padilla
Jacob Harrison
Michael Levitski

Bobby Rix
Adrain Guzman
Gavin Jobe

PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2023, AS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH and honoring our first responders and City staff, who run toward disaster at a moment's notice; and urging all residents to plan for disasters and encourage family and friends to do so by visiting Ready.Gov. La Verne Fire Marshall Lonnie Shipman will be accepting proclamation along with Sparkie.

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 City Council or member of the audience requests separate discussion.)

1. **CITY COUNCIL MINUTES** of the closed session and regular City Council meeting of September 5, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the minutes.

2. **REGISTER OF AUDITED DEMANDS** for the following:

Fiscal Year 2022-23 – In the amount of \$319,131.64 dated August 23, 2023, and in the amount of \$31,723.00 dated August 30, 2023.

Fiscal Year 2023-24 – In the amount of \$1,068,652.21 dated August 23, 2023, and in the amount of \$1,899,830.98 dated August 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the Register of Audited Demands.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-64 APPROVING A CLASS SPECIFICATION AND HOURLY COMPENSATION RATE FOR PART-TIME AMBULANCE OPERATOR** - After a review of organizational structure, departmental efficiencies, and future service enhancement opportunities, the Fire Chief has requested the addition of a part-time classification and requisite compensation be created for Ambulance Operator.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt the Resolution No. 23-64, titled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CLASS SPECIFICATION AND HOURLY COMPENSATION RATE FOR AMBULANCE OPERATOR."

4. **MEASURE LV CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE VACANCY** - A vacancy has occurred on the Measure LV Citizen Oversight Board. The Board ensures that revenues from Measure LV are spent in accordance with the approved spending guidelines. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have resided within the City for at least one year, and should have knowledge of finance, banking, business, or retirement planning.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file this notification.

5. **PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY FOR THE ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICT (EIFD) VACANCY** - A vacancy has occurred on the Public Financing Authority Board for the Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District. The primary purpose of the Authority is to accelerate the financing of public improvements needed to attract the development that is envisioned within the City's Old Town La Verne Specific Plan and to compliment the extension of the Metro light rail, "A" Line, formerly known as the Gold Line.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file this notification.

6. **TRACT MAP NO. 83354 BOND REDUCTION** - La Verne 58 LLC, the developer of 1874 Walnut Street, an eight-unit single family subdivision located southwest of the intersection of Walnut Street and "B" Street, has requested the reduction of their Performance Bond, Labor and Materials Bond and full release of the project Monumentation Bond.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the release in full value of the project Monumentation Bond and a reduction of the Performance Bond and Labor and Materials Bond to approximately 10% of their original respective value and to hold those bonds for a period of one year from this date.

7. **ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND FOR MONSANTO PCB SETTLEMENT** - The City previously received, and the City Council approved, a settlement payment from the class action case City of Long Beach, et al. v. Monsanto Company, et al., United States District Court for the Central District of California, Western Division, Case No. 2:16-cv-03493-FMO-AS in the amount of \$576,108.00.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council direct staff to deposit funds within the PCB Mitigation Fund and commit the settlement proceeds so that principal and interest earnings can be used to offset the costs of monitoring for PCBs as required by the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permits and related requirements, including mitigation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION ON VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 82001 (500 BASELINE ROAD)** - On September 5, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23-57, setting the public hearing for September 18, 2023, to consider of a one-year time extension to Vesting Tentative Tract Map (VTTM) No. 82001. The applicant has requested a one-year extension of the VTTM allowed in Section 66452.6 of the Subdivision Map Act. Pursuant to City Code Section 16.16.210, the City Council may consider granting the requested extension during a noticed public hearing.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 23-65 titled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, GRANTING A ONE-YEAR TIME EXTENSION ON VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO 82001 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 7, DIVISION 2, CHAPTER 3, OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE NEW EXPIRATION DATE OF THE VTTM NO. 82001 AS OF NOVEMBER 3, 2024.

OTHER MATTERS

9. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-66 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT FOR RETIRED ANNUITANT DEBORAH SEELY** - To be compliant with California Law and the 2013 Pension Reform Act, it is necessary for the City Council to certify there is an urgent need to waive the 180-day waiting period as well as take an action affirming the execution of an employment agreement utilizing the services of a retired employee.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 23-66, titled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT FOR RETIRED ANNUITANT DEBORAH SEELY."

10. **FILM PERMIT REQUEST FROM PICTURE 304** - The City has been contacted by a production company, Picture 304, to film a commercial at a residential property on Third Street. Per the City's Municipal Code Chapter 5.57, all film permits must be approved by the La Verne City Council.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Picture 304 and issue a permit for filming once all required steps are completed.

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 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. 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.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council will meet in a Closed Session for the following:

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 and the La Verne Police Officers' Association

ADJOURNMENT

***THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA VERNE CITY COUNCIL IS
SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, October 2, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.***

NOTICED VACANCIES ON CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

For information on applying, please visit www.cityoflaverne.org/apply

- Measure LV Oversight Committee – Closing October 5, 2023, at 6pm
- Public Financing Authority, EIFD Public Member – Closing October 5, 2023, at 6pm

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Wednesday, September 13 - Planning Commission Meeting: 6:30 PM @ City Council Chambers

Friday, September 15 - International Night – Event for Individuals and Families with Special Needs
6:00 PM @ Community Center

Wednesday, September 20 - Senior Advisory Committee Meeting; 10:00 AM @ Community Center

Tuesday, September 26 - Youth & Family Action Committee Meeting: 6:30 PM @ Council Chambers

Monday, October 2 - City Council Meeting: 5:30 PM @ City Council Chambers

Saturday, October 7 - 4th Annual Vendor Faire with the La Verne Heritage Foundation:
1:00 PM @ Heritage Park

Tuesday, October 10 - Active Transportation Committee Meeting: 5:00 PM @ City Council Chamber

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