

ORDINANCE NO. 1119

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THAT REGULAR MEETING TIMES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL BE SET BY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, currently, La Verne Municipal Code 2.08.010 provides in full: "The regular meetings of the city council shall be held on the first and third Monday, of each month at six-thirty p.m. and may be adjourned from time to time by the council as they deem proper"; and

WHEREAS, Government Code 54954.2 requires cities to provide, "by ordinance, resolution, bylaws, or by whatever other rule is required for the conduct of business" of the city council, the "time and place for holding regular meetings"; and

WHEREAS, authorizing the City Council to establish regular meeting times by resolution, rather than by ordinance, will reduce the cost of changing the date of meetings, will allow the City Council to timely establish meeting dates that are in the public interest; and will allow for increased public participation at council meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Municipal Code. Municipal Code Section 2.08.010 is hereby revised to provide as follows:

"2.08.010 Regular Meetings. The Council shall hold regular meetings at least once in each month at such times as it shall from time-to-time fix by resolution. Such meetings may be adjourned from time-to-time by the council as it deems proper."

SECTION 2. Date and Time. Until such time as the City Council may amend the meeting times in this section 2 by resolution, the regular meetings of the city council shall be held on the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council of the City of La Verne hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

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**Approved on 6/19/23 at the
regular meeting of the
La Verne City Council.**

DATE: June 5, 2023
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Ken Domer, City Manger

**SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1119, ESTABLISHING THAT REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIMES SHALL BE SET BY RESOLUTION**

SUMMARY

The City Council at its meeting of June 5, 2023, approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 1119, establishing that regular meeting times of the City Council shall be set by Resolution to provide better flexibility as well as convenience. If adopted, the Ordinance becomes effective in thirty days.

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1119, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THAT REGULAR MEETING TIMES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL BE SET BY RESOLUTION."

DISCUSSION

Cities can either set their meeting times and dates through ordinance or resolution. Currently, La Verne is set by ordinance which can be more difficult to change without added costs and time constraints. Setting meeting times by Resolution allows greater flexibility to the City Council. City Council meetings will still be the first and third Monday of the month, unless otherwise cancelled, with Regular meeting times beginning at 6:30 pm.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

The City Council on June 5, 2023, made the determination that Ordinance No. 1119 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) under the general rule that CEQA does not apply to activity which can be seen with certainty to have no effect on the environment.

LEGAL REVIEW

Ordinance No. 1119, reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

ATTACHMENTS

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