

CITY OF LA VERNE

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tim Hepburn, Mayor
Robin Carder, Mayor Pro Tem
Muir Davis, Council Member
Rick Crosby, Council Member
Wendy M. Lau, Council Member



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Monday, October 19, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.

Tonight's Council meeting will again be closed to the public in compliance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 Virus. However, the City encourages public participation and as such want to make residents aware of the following opportunities on how to participate:

1. 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.
2. 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.

In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office at (909) 596-8726 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Regular Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Council Member Davis, Council Member Crosby, Council Member Lau, Mayor Pro Tem Carder and Mayor Hepburn.

4. **PRESENTATIONS:**

Tri-City Mental Health Center and Union Station Homeless Services Navigator Introductions and Presentation - Representatives from Tri-City Mental Health Center and Union Station Homeless Services will provide Council with an introduction to their Navigators, as well as a brief presentation on the work they do in La Verne. The Navigators specialize in providing resources, services, and outreach to individuals experiencing, or on the cusp of experiencing, homelessness. The Navigators were hired through grant funds awarded as part of the County of Los Angeles' 2018 Cities Homelessness Plan Implementation Program, and are a critical part of the City's strategic efforts to prevent and address homelessness.

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** for October 5, 2020, ***to be received and filed.***

b. **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$211,321.19, dated September 30, 2020.

Interim Finance Director Alvarado recommends approval.

c. **Treasurer's Report** for the month of June, 2020, ***to be received and filed.***

d. **Server and Software Purchase Fund Appropriation** - During a review of this current fiscal year, it was believed that the Police Department could postpone purchase of digital software components. Since that time there have been events where the servers have failed due to outdated components. As such, it has been determined that it would be disruptive to operations to further delay their replacement.

Police Chief Paz recommends that the City Council appropriate \$23,000 from the General Fund to be transferred to the Department's Administration Fund (101) to purchase a replacement network server.

e. **Homeless Plan Annual Review** - On June 18, 2018 the City Council approved Resolution No. 18-33, adopting the City's "Plan to Prevent and Reduce Homelessness" (Homeless Plan). The adopted Homeless Plan outlines four (4) strategic goals, along with supporting action items, to prevent and reduce homelessness over the course of three (3) years. Action item 4b identifies that the Homeless Plan should be reviewed on an annual basis at a time corresponding with, or after, the release of the most recent annual Point in Time Homeless Count results. This staff report summarizes the progress that has occurred since the last progress report was provided to City Council in July 2019.

Community Development Director Scherer recommends that the City Council receive and file this informational report.

f. **Staff recommends approval and passage of Ordinance (s) 2nd reading**

Ordinance No. 1096 - Repeal and Replace Chapter 13.28 - Refuse Collection, of the La Verne Municipal Code - Since the last update in 1996 of Chapter 13.28 - Refuse Collection (Chapter 13.28) of the La Verne Municipal Code has had significant changes in State law pertaining to the collection, removal and disposal of refuse. Each year, the City is required to demonstrate compliance efforts in the Electronic Annual Report (EAR) submitted to CalRecycle, the State's regulatory agency that oversees California's State-managed waste handling and recycling programs.

Interim Public Works Director Keesey recommends approval of Ordinance No. 1096, as follows:

Ordinance No. 1096 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CHAPTER 13.28 - REFUSE COLLECTION, OF TITLE 13 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE.

7. **OTHER MATTERS**

Ordinance No. 1097 - Amending Title 9 of the La Verne Municipal Code Pertaining to the Regulation of Possession of Certain Items at Public Protests, Demonstrations, Picket Lines and Public Assemblies - The Police Department staff attended a training course focused on how to improve their approach of ensuring that public protests, demonstrations, and rallies remain peaceful and safe for all involved. In addition to several operational changes, the subject matter experts recommend that the City's Municipal Code should allow for the prohibition of items at such events that may cause harm to the community or against law enforcement. Since the City's Municipal code is silent on the matter, the Police Department is seeking Council concurrence to amend the Municipal Code to regulate such items for the protection of the participants, community, and officers.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council should place on first reading and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1097, amending Title 9 of the La Verne Municipal Code by adding a new Section 9.21.00 (b) to regulate the possession of certain items at public protests, demonstrations, rallies, picket lines, and public assemblies.

Ordinance No. 1097 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 9 (PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS, AND SAFETY) OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 9.21.00 (b) TO REGULATE THE POSSESSION OF CERTAIN ITEMS AT PUBLIC PROTESTS, DEMONSTRATIONS, RALLIES, PICKET LINES AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES AND FINDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15060

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**

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING of the La Verne City Council
is on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 6:30 pm**

**The La Verne City Council thanks the residents
for taking all precautions to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 Virus.**

ADVISORY STAFF

- ___ Robert Russi, City Manager
- ___ JR Ranells, Assistant to the City Manager
- ___ Robert Kress, City Attorney
- ___ Dan Keeseey, Interim Director of Public Works
- ___ Lupe Gaeta Estrella, Assistant City Clerk
- ___ Eric Scherer, Director of Community Development
- ___ Bill Aguirre, Director of Community Services
- ___ Mark Alvarado, Interim Finance Director
- ___ Nick Paz, Police Chief
- ___ David Segura, Interim Fire Chief
- ___ Dominic Milano, City Engineer
- ___ Bill Elftman, Information Services Manager

<p>Posting Statement: On October 13, 2020, 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 cityoflaverne.org.</p>
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