

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LA VERNE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE LA VERNE CITY HALL
Monday, August 4, 2014**

1. A regular meeting of the La Verne City Council was called to order by Mayor Kendrick at 6:30 p.m.
2. Council Members present: Mayor Don Kendrick
Mayor Pro Tem Donna Redman
Council Member Robin Carder
Council Member Charlie Rosales
Council Member Ron Ingels

Absent: None.

Advisory personnel present: City Manager Robert Russi
City Attorney Robert L. Kress
Assistant to the City Manager City Treasurer/City Clerk Jeannette Vagnozzi
Public Works Director Dan Keeseey
Finance Officer Richard Martinez
Police Chief Scott Pickwith
Fire Battalion Chief Mike Thompson
Senior Management Analyst JR Ranells
Principal Planner Eric Scherer
Associate Planner Rafferty Wooldridge
Public Works Manager Nikole Bresciani
Management Analyst Lisa O'Brien
Maintenance Manager Anthony Ciotti
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Consent Calendar It was moved by Carder, seconded by Rosales, and unanimously carried to accept, approve, or act on the Consent Calendar as presented, as follows:

City Council Minutes **City Council Minutes** of the regular meeting of July 21, 2014, and the special meeting of July 23, 2014, ***received and filed*** as submitted.

2013-2014 Registers of Audited Demands **2013-14 Registers of Audited Demands** in the amounts of \$587,565.33, for July 14, 2014, and \$765,437.22 for July 21, 2014. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

2014-15 Registers of Audited Demands **2014-15 Registers of Audited Demands** in the amounts of \$114,844.12 for July 15, 2014, and \$437,936.77 for July 22, 2014. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

Ordinance(s) Second Reading, passed & adopted, as recommended, as follows:

Ordinance No. 1044,
Amending the La Verne
Municipal Code Relating to
Allowing Dogs in Designated
Parks, Making Parks Violations
Infractions and the Specification
of Vicious Dogs

Ordinance No. 1044 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ALLOWING DOGS IN DESIGNATED PARKS, MAKING PARK VIOLATIONS INFRACTIONS AND THE SPECIFICATION OF VICIOUS DOGS. **Approved.**

5. Drought Action Response

Public Works Director Keesey reported on the City's Drought Action Response. He stated that on January 17, 2014, Governor Brown issued a proclamation declaring a State of Emergency to exist in California in response to ongoing drought conditions throughout the state. The Governor requested that all Californians voluntarily reduce their water demands by 20 percent and directed state officials to take all actions necessary to manage the state's ongoing drought conditions. Subsequently, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) adopted emergency regulations on July 15, 2014, that prohibit certain outdoor water uses and require urban water agencies to implement mandatory outdoor water use restrictions. The emergency regulations are expected to take effect August 1, 2014 and remain in place for 270 days.

Council Member Carder asked for clarification on the base year and how it would be determined.

Mayor Kendrick asked for current status on overall conservation and total consumption.

Public Works Director Keesey stated that the City overall is 15% higher in water consumption than last year.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 14-56 implementing Phase V water use restrictions found in the City's Water Conservation Ordinance and suspending the California Drought Surcharge, as specified in the City's existing Water Fee Resolution No. 13-65, until such time that the City is subjected to penalties and/or it is necessary to advance conservation efforts further; and

Adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 1046, amending Section 13.15.015.A of the La Verne Municipal Code relative to the definition of "Base Year" water use period, and

Approve Resolution No. 14-57 defining the "Base Year" water use period.

Resolution No. 14-56,
Supporting the Governor's
Declaration of Water Shortage
Emergency and Implementing
Phase V Water Restrictions of
the Water Conservation
Ordinance

Resolution No. 14-56 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA SUPPORTING THE GOVERNOR'S DECLARATION OF A WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY AND IMPLEMENTING PHASE V WATER USE RESTRICTIONS OF THE WATER CONSERVATION ORDINANCE. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

Urgency Ordinance No. 1046,
of the La Verne Municipal Code
Relative to Water Conservation
Use and Restrictions

Ordinance No. 1046 - AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 13.15 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATIVE WATER CONSERVATION, USE AND RESTRICTIONS. *Approved as recommended by staff.*

Resolution No. 14-57,
Establishing the "Base Year" for
Water use Comparison

Resolution No. 14-57 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING THE "BASE YEAR" FOR WATER USE COMPARISON PER SECTION 13.15.015 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE. *Approved as recommended by staff.*

6. Public Comment

This was the time set aside for anyone wishing to address the City Council on items not listed in any other place on the agenda. Mayor Kendrick called for public comment.

Lilian Salana, 21210 East Arrow Highway, Covina. Her team is called TICE and they encourage low income students to continue their education and will be having a car wash fundraiser in Glendora on August 23, 2014.

James Coiner, Coiner Nursery stated that he has implemented \$10,000 in drip irrigation and requested a five-year average for the base year. He also asked for clarification on the requested reduction. Keeseey explained that 2013 was the highest consumption year in the past five years and likely would be the best option for a base year.

7. Council Comments and
Meeting/Conference Reports

Council Member Carder reported that she met new principal at Oak Mesa Elementary and was excited to welcome him to La Verne.

8. Closed Session

City Manager Russi reported that closed session was not needed for the Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6), but was needed for the following:

Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code Section 54956.8)

Transaction: Consideration of Lease of Real Property
City Negotiator: City Manager
Property Description: 2106 Bonita Avenue (Parcel No. 8377-010-906)

9. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m., in honor of Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP) member, **Carol Van der Geld**, who passed away in the early morning hours of Friday, July 25th after a two-year battle with cancer. Carol was semi-retired from Huntington Memorial Hospital where she worked as a nurse. She had been a member of the La Verne Police RSVP program since February of 2009 and was a La Verne resident. Carol exemplified the true meaning of volunteerism and always did so with a smile on her face. She enjoyed baking and would regularly bring the Department her incredible baked goodies, including her amazing banana nut bread. Carol will be remembered for her caring qualities and infectious smile. She is survived by her husband, Megumi.

Respectfully submitted,


Jeannette A. Vagnozzi
City Clerk