

**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, April 20, 2015**

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 Robin Carder
Council Member Donna Redman
Council Member Charlie Rosales
Council Member Tim Hepburn

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
Community Development Director Hal G. Fredericksen
Community Services Director Bill Aguirre
Finance Richard Martinez
Police Chief Scott Pickwith
Fire Chief Pete Jankowski
Information Services Manager Bill Elftman
Principal Planner Eric Scherer
Maintenance Manager Anthony Ciotti
Personnel Officer JR Ranells
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Introduction of Damien High School Students participating in Students in Government Day. Mayor Kendrick introduced the Damien High School Students participating in Students in Government Day.

MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL & STAFF

DAMIEN HIGH COUNTERPARTS

Don Kendrick, Mayor	Connor O'Brien
Robin Carder, Mayor Pro Tem	Javier Ramirez
Donna Redman, Council Member	Gabriel Marquez
Charlie Rosales, Council Member	Michael Fischer
Tim Hepburn, Council Member	Ashwin Balaji
Robert Russi, City Manager	Luciano De Luca
Jeannette Vagnozzi, City Clerk/City Treasurer	Gabriel Gomez
Hal Fredericksen, Community Development Director	Richard Conti
Dan Keeseey, Director of Public Works	Micah Robinson
Bill Aguirre, Community Services Director	Jack Kunz
Richard Martinez, Finance Officer	Aaditya Patel
Scott Pickwith, Police Chief	Stephen Ontiveros
Pete Jankowski, Fire Chief	Michael Halder
Dominic Milano, City Engineer	Chad Helou
Bill Elftman, Information Services Manager	Matthew Haro

Badge Pinning for
Firefighter/Paramedic Victor
Amezcuca

Badge Pinning for Firefighter/Paramedic Victor Amezcuca – Victor was born in Mexico and moved to Upland, California at the age of 3. In 2007, he graduated from the Mt. San Antonio College Fire Academy where he also earned an Associate's Degree in Fire Technology. He began his fire service career as an apprentice firefighter for the City of La Verne in 2008. In 2011, he completed paramedic school at Victor Valley College. He received the La Verne Firefighters Association Apprentice Firefighter of the Year award in 2013. Victor has 9 years of experience in the emergency medical services field and most recently worked as a paramedic in Redlands. His badge was pinned by his sister, Myriam Sessions.

Badge Pinning for Fire
Engineer/Paramedic Dave
Garcia

Badge Pinning for Fire Engineer/Paramedic Dave Garcia – Dave was raised in La Verne, California and is a graduate of Bonita High School. Dave attended Crafton Hills College where he completed paramedic school in 1995 and the Fire Academy there in 2001. Dave was hired as a firefighter/paramedic in La Verne in 2001. Dave is currently the La Verne Fire Department's training center coordinator and the CPR, Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS), and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) instructor. Dave has been married to Jana for 23 years and they have two children, Gabriella and Noah. Dave's wife pinned his badge.

5. At 6:51 pm, City Council recessed and reconvened at 6:54 pm. to regular session.

6. Consent Calendar It was moved by Carder, seconded by Hepburn, and unanimously carried to accept, approve, or act on the Consent Calendar items), as presented, as follows:

City Council Minutes

City Council Minutes of the regular and special meeting of April 6, 2015; were ***received and filed as submitted.***

Treasurer's Report for March 2015. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

Registers of Audited
Demands

Register of Audited Demands in the amounts of \$150,786.31 for April 6, 2014. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

Development Impact Fees
Fund Report

Development Impact Fees Fund Report – Under State law, information on certain fees collected by the City from various development activities is to be made available to the public. The City Manager's Office is providing an informational report regarding Development Impact Fees for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. The report is to be reviewed by the City Council and to take appropriate action as necessary. Staff recommended that the City Council review the report and make the information available to the public pursuant to Government Code Section 66006. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

Resolution (s) passed & adopted, as recommended, as follows:

Resolution No. 15-21,
Agreement with Mischelynn
Scarletelli for Identifying
Useable Acreage and Setting
Fee for 2287 Saddle Horn Lane

Resolution No. 15-21 - RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MISCHELYNN SCARLETELLI FOR THE PURPOSE OF IDENTIFYING USEABLE ACREAGE AND SETTING THE APPROPRIATE AGREAGE FEE FOR 328 SADDLE HORN LANE. Staff recommended approval of Resolution No. 15-21 authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement with Ms. Mischelynn Scarletelli for the purpose of identifying useable acreage and setting the appropriate acreage fee for 328 Saddle Horn Lane. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

7. Paramedic Service Fee

Finance Officer Martinez reported on the Paramedic Service Fee. He stated that the City's voter approved Paramedic Service Fee requires an annual hearing in order to consider a change in rate. The monthly service fee can be adjusted to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. Staff recommended that the City Council maintain the monthly paramedic service fee at \$ 4.88

Mayor Kendrick commented on the gap between the cost of service and revenue. The Council Members asked for a comparison study & options for closing the gap.

Mayor Kendrick declared the public hearing opened and called for public comment on this matter.

Steve Johnson, La Verne resident, commented that he was a Council Member when the decision was made to bill insurance companies for services provided. That helped close the gap, but the only way to completely close the gap is to limit costs or find additional revenue.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to maintain the monthly paramedic service fee at \$4.88 by adopting Resolution No. 15-20.

Resolution No. 15-20,
Adopting Paramedic Service
Fee for Fiscal Year 2015-16

Resolution No. 15-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE PARAMEDIC SERVICE FEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

8. Massage Establishments

Principal Planner Scherer reported on the Massage Establishments. He stated that during the 2014 legislative session, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed AB 1147 relating to massage establishments which restored the ability of cities and counties to regulate massage establishments and establish land use controls as of January 1, 2015. Staff drafted two ordinances to put local control back in place. The first ordinance primarily amends Chapter 5.40 of the Municipal Code relating to the business of massage establishments. The second ordinance identifies which zones massage establishments are allowed to operate in with a Conditional Use Permit. Staff recommended that these ordinances be adopted as urgency ordinances so that they may go into effect immediately and processed through the normal public hearing procedures to insure that there are no challenges to method of adoption.

It was moved by Redman, seconded by Kendrick, and unanimously carried to approval Urgency Ordinance No. 1054 and Urgency Ordinance No. 1055 and repeal the current moratorium on massage establishments (Ordinance No. 1053).

Ordinance No. 1054,
Amending Chapter 5.40 of the
La Verne Municipal Code
Relating to Massage
Establishments

Ordinance No. 1054 – AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 5.40 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

Ordinance No. 1055,
Amending the Foothill
Boulevard Specific Plan, the
Old Town La Verne Specific
Plan and Title 18 of the
La Verne Municipal Code
Relating to Massage
Establishments

Ordinance No. 1055 – AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, CALIFORNIA AMENDING THE FOOTHILL BOULEVARD SPECIFIC PLAN, THE OLD TOWN LA VERNE SPECIFIC PLAN, AND TITLE 18 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENTS. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

9. 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.

George May, Librarian, invited the community to two events: Smart Gardening Workshop on May 2, 2pm – 2:30 pm and Red Cross Disaster Preparedness on May 30, 2pm – 3 pm.

10. Council Comments and
Meeting/Conference Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Carder thanked the La Verne Firefighters Association and the La Verne Police Officers' Association for hosting the fundraiser softball game.

Council Member Hepburn discussed his first San Gabriel Council of Governments meeting and issues related to transportation, electric lawn mower exchange program, and other regional issues.

Mayor Kendrick stated that he attended University of La Verne's Veterans Softball game which benefitted the VFW 12034 and that he attended La Verne Fresh Certified Farmers Market Grand Opening which was a great success.

11 Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm. and City Council **ADJOURNED** to Monday, May 4, 2015, at 4:30 p.m. for a Council Study Session on the Capital Improvement Plan and Preliminary Budget.

Respectfully submitted,


Jeannette A. Vagnozzi
City Clerk