

**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, June 17, 2013**

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 Charles Rosales
Council Member Robert Rodriguez
Council Member Donna Redman
Council Member Robin Carder

Absent: None.

Advisory personnel present: City Manager Robert Russi
City Attorney Robert L. Kress
Deputy City Clerk Lupe Gaeta Estrella
City Treasurer Jeannette Vagnozzi
Public Works Director Dan Keesey
Community Development Director Hal G. Fredericksen
Finance Officer Ron Clark
Community Services Director Bill Aguirre
Police Chief Scott Pickwith
Police Captain Nick Paz
Fire Chief Pete Jankowski
Fire Battalion Chief Mike Thompson
Fire Battalion Chief Mark Horine
Senior Administrative Analyst JR Ranells
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Consent Calendar It was moved by Carder, seconded by Rodriguez, and unanimously carried to accept, approve, or act on the Consent Calendar items, as follows:

City Council Minutes City Council Minutes of the meeting of June 3, 2013, **received and filed.**

Register of Audited Demands Register of Audited Demands in the amount \$439,317.15, dated May 29, 2013; in the amount of \$325,786.59, dated June 4, 2013; and in the amount of \$2,429,971.27, dated June 11, 2013. **Approved as recommended.**

Surplus Property – Disposition of Police Patrol Bicycles Surplus Property - Recent inventory of 10 patrol bikes that were originally purchased in the early 1990's revealed the bicycles are in need of extensive repair and upgrading. Upgrading of the components will prove costly and not feasible to maintain. Staff recommended that City Council approve the disposition of these bicycles so they may be sent to auction or sold as surplus property. **Approved as recommended.**

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

Resolution No. 13-37,
An Agreement with Inland
Valley Humane Society for
Animal Care and Control
Services (July 1, 2013 – June
30, 2016)

Resolution No. 13-37 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH INLAND VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY FOR ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL SERVICES (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016). ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-55,
Adopting the 2013-14
Appropriation Limit

Resolution No. 13-55 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING 2013-14 APPROPRIATION LIMIT. Each year, the City adopts an annual appropriations limit that is concerned with the appropriations financed by proceeds from taxes. Appropriations financed by service fees, non-taxes and other revenues are exempt. The City's current and proposed 2013/14 budgets reflect proceeds from taxes well under this limit. It was recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 13-55. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-56,
Adopting the 2013-14 City
Budget

Resolution No. 13-56 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE 2013-14 FISCAL YEAR. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-57,
Approving the 2013-14 Capital
Improvement Program and the
2018-19 Capital Improvement
Program

Resolution No. 13-57 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE 2013-14 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND THE 2018-19 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is a five year planning document intended to program funding for various public infrastructure and equipment needs. The document includes a current year program of projects as well as a five year look ahead at project needs. Although the CIP evaluates funding needs and availability, it does not provide funding authority. Appropriations for the current year program are included within the regular budget document. The draft CIP was presented to the City Council during its study session on April 1, 2013, with consensus to finalize and present it for adoption during the regular budget hearing. Staff recommended that the City Council approve the resolution approving the 2013-2019 Capital Improvement Program. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-66,
Amending Measurement
Standards as Permitted Under
the Patient Protection
Affordable Care Act

Resolution No. 13-66 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING MEASUREMENT STANDARDS AS PERMITTED UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO.13-18. At its April 15 meeting, the City Council approved Resolution 13-18, establishing the parameters for ensuring the City's compliance with the Affordable Health Care Act as it pertains to hours and eligibility for its employees. After the resolution was adopted, it was discovered that one of the periods was incorrect and needed to be expanded from three to six months. As such, staff is providing Resolution No. 13-66, correcting that aspect. Staff recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 13-66, amending the measurement standards for the Safe Harbor provision of the PPACA. ***Approved as recommended.***

5. Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6 and Zones 2, 3, 4-I, 4-II, 5, and 6, (LLMD #6) Public Hearing and Providing for the Annual Levy.
- City Manager Russi reported on the Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6 and Zones 2, 3, 4-I, 4-II, 5, and 6, (LLMD #6) public hearing and resolution providing for the annual levy. He stated that on May 20, 2013, the City Council set June 17, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district and its zones. The Engineer's Report and the cover report from the May 20, 2013 meeting were submitted for Council's review. No change in the assessment levy is being proposed for the subject benefit in the zones, except for Zone 5 which is proposed to be reduced by \$55.71.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Redman, and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution No. 13-58, providing for the annual levy and collection of assessment for the special zones in District No. 6 for fiscal year 2013-2014.

Resolution No. 13-58, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collecting of Assessments for Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6 (LLMD #6)

Resolution No. 13-58 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING PROTESTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE IN AN EXISTING DISTRICT, ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO VOTER APPROVAL. **(LLMD #6) *Approved as recommended.***

6. Landscaping and Lighting District No. 7 (LLMD #7), Public Hearing and Providing for the Annual Levy
- City Manager Russi reported on the Landscaping and Lighting District No. 7, (LLMD #7) public hearing and resolution providing for the annual levy. He stated that on May 20, 2013, the City Council set June 17, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district. The Engineer's Report and the cover report from the May 20, 2013 meeting were submitted for Council's review. There is no proposed increase in the assessment from last year's levy, which was set at the maximum level.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Redman, and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution No. 13-59, providing for the annual levy and collection of assessment for the special zones in District No. 7 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Resolution No. 13-59, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collecting of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District No.7 (LLMD #7)

Resolution No. 13-59 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING PROTESTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE IN AN EXISTING DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 15, PART 2, OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA **(LLMD #7).** ***Approved as recommended.***

7. Landscaping and Lighting District No.8 (LLMD #8), Public Hearing and Providing for the Annual Levy
- Landscaping and Lighting District No.8 (LLMD #8) and Public Hearing and Resolution Providing for the Annual Levy.** On May 20, 2013, the City Council set June 17, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district. The Engineer's Report and the cover report from the May 20, 2013 meeting were submitted for Council's review. There is no proposed increase in the assessment from last year's levy.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Redman, and unanimously carried, to approve Resolution No. 13-60, providing for the annual levy and collection of assessment for the special zones in District No. 8 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Resolution No. 13-60, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collecting of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District No.8 (LLMD #8)

Resolution No. 13-60 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING PROTESTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE IN AN EXISTING DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 15, PART 2, OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA (LLMD #8). ***Approved as recommended.***

8. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED**

Maintenance District No. 84-1M (Esperanza Slopes), Public Hearing and Providing for the Annual Levy

Council Member Carder declared a conflict on Maintenance District No. 84-1M, because she owns property within the District and left the Council Chambers.

Maintenance District No. 84-1M (Esperanza Slopes), Public Hearing and Resolution Providing for the Annual Levy On June 3, 2013. The City Council set June 17, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., as the date and time for the public hearing for the subject assessment district. The Engineer's Report and the cover report from the June 3, 2013 meeting were also submitted for Council's review. The 2013-2014 assessment is proposed to remain at the same level as the last sixteen years.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Redman and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Carder abstained) to adopt Resolution No. 13-61, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Resolution No. 13-61, Confirming the Diagram and Assessment and Providing for the Levy of the Annual Assessment in a Special Maintenance District 84-1M

Resolution No. 13-61 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT IN A SPECIAL MAINTENANCE DISTRICT (84-1M). ***Approved as recommended by a vote of 4-0 (Carder Abstained).***

9. Public Hearing – Report and Recommendations of the Factfinding Panel Regarding Impasse with the La Verne Firefighters' Association

Senior Management Analyst Reynolds reported on the recommendations of the Factfinding Panel regarding the Impasse with the La Verne Firefighters' Association. He stated that the City and the La Verne Firefighters' Association (LVFA) commenced negotiations on November 5, 2012. After numerous meetings, and months of negotiations, the parties were unable to reach an agreement and an impasse was declared. The required impasse procedures have been completed without any final agreement. In accordance with Section 3505.7 of the California Government Code, the City is holding a public hearing on the Report and Recommendations of the Factfinding Panel pertaining to the impasse between the City of La Verne and the LVFA.

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

Jeff Petersen, La Verne Fire Captain, representing the La Verne Firefighters Association addressed the City Council. He stated he has been with the La Verne Fire Department for 28 years and he is one of the members who negotiated with the City. He explained there are technically three groups within the fire department: 1. Fire employees not affected by the additional employee retirement contribution, because they were hired prior to the change; 2. New employees hired under the new retirement change, and; 3. The fire employees who are mid-way through their careers and who were promised that the City would continue to pay their retirement contribution. He stated that he represented the third group. He stated that many in that group stayed in La Verne because of the retirement contribution and benefit. Now the City wants to take this benefit away from them and they do not think it is fair.

Dave Garcia, La Verne Fire/fighter Paramedic, stated that he grew up in La Verne. He stated that one of the reasons he joined the La Verne Fire Department was for the retirement benefit. He understands the City's financial hardship, but he has a family to take care of. He urged the Mayor and City Council not to impose this additional retirement cost.

John Grapentin, La Verne Fire Engineer, accused the Council of not doing their due diligence and not talking to the Fire employees. He stated the City promised them they would take care of him and his family. He also urged the City Council not to impose this additional retirement cost.

There being no further public comments, Mayor Kendrick closed the public hearing.

Mayor Kendrick thanked the Fire employees for the professional manner exhibited when addressing the Council regarding this difficult matter. He stated he was addressing this matter with a heavy heart. He stated that it's not an easy decision for the City Council to make. Because matters of employee compensation have a tangible effect on those who work for the City, the Council understands that dealing with such issues is complex, and are not decisions that any take lightly. He stated that the outcome of tonight's action is not a reflection of the level of appreciation the Council has for the work that is done or respect for those that are doing it.

Mayor Kendrick stated that part of the Council responsibilities as City officials is to balance out the interest of all parties whom they serve, which include just not just the City employees, but also the residents. Part of that also involves ensuring there are adequate resources to meet the demands of the community now and in the future. He reported that City Council earlier adopted the City budget for the upcoming year and would not have to use reserves to balance the budget only made possible because the City was fortunate to have over \$1 million, in one time revenues from some rare new development opportunities. He displayed a picture of his father dated in 1950s' near a fire truck and stated that it was because of his family past, he struggled over this issue. While he would like to do as the LVFA is requesting it is his opinion that all City employees need to pay their portion of retirement. It is one of the necessary solutions for the City to achieve financial stability in the future.

Council Member Carder stated she agreed with the Mayor and that it was a very difficult process and the La Verne Fire Department is valued. She stated she is concerned with rising cost of retirement benefits. She has a responsibility to the citizens she was elected to represent and every employee needs to pay their share of retirement for the City's financial stability in the future.

Mayor Pro Tem Rosales stated that he worked in public safety for 30 years and wanted to see the LVFA get what they deserve. He stated that LVFA does a superior job and should be compensated for the duties they perform, but that retirement cost is through the roof. He also stated that there was no choice, and with a heavy heart, he agreed that employees need to pay their share of retirement.

Council Member Redman stated that like Mayor Kendrick, she had a heavy heart regarding this difficult matter. She stated she had an obligation to serve the community and it's difficult to ask employees to share this burden. She understood it was employees' take home pay, but retirement cost is rising. Employees need to help share the burden, the City can't do it alone and still meet its obligations. She stated that we have to work together and share this burden to continue to maintain the quality of life in La Verne and secure fiscal stability today and in the future.

Council Member Rodriguez also agreed that LVFA had to share the burden and pay their share of retirement costs.

The public hearing on the Report and Recommendations of the Factfinding Panel regarding impasse with the LVFA concluded.

10. Refuse, Water, and Sewer Utility Rate Adjustments -

Administrative Superintendent Vagnozzi reported on the Refuse, Water, and Sewer Utility Rate adjustments. She stated that the City Council is being asked to consider refuse, water, and sewer rate adjustments. The primary factor for adjusting the refuse rate is the contractual obligation with Waste Management to adjust the rate annually based on landfill tipping fees and the Consumer Price Index. The factors considered for the water rate adjustment include the rate increase for the wholesale water from the Metropolitan Water District (MWD). The sewer rate adjustment includes increases relative to compliance measures for environmental regulations. Despite the adjustments, the proposed rates remain below the median to those of local agencies in the immediate area.

The refuse and sewer rate adjustments are subject to protest hearings per Proposition 218; however, the water rate is an adjustment based solely on the imported water costs based upon a previously approved formula and is exempt from the protest hearing process.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public comment.

Charleta Marshall, 4355 Pampas Circle, La Verne, questioned the jump in rates and asked why technology has not grown in the water industry to help lower the cost of water services.

Administrative Superintendent Vagnozzi stated that technology has grown in the water industry and that the increased cost of water services is due to the water quality mandates from the Health Department and rising cost of water from Metropolitan Water District.

There being no further requests to speak, Mayor Kendrick declared the public hearing closed.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Rodriguez, and unanimously carried to accept staff report; consider refuse and sewer rates; and adopt the following resolutions:

Resolution No. 13-62,
Declaring the Results of the
Proceedings for Adopting
Refuse Collection Fees

Resolution No. 13-62 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE PROCEEDINGS FOR ADOPTING REFUSE COLLECTION FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII D OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-63,
Declaring the Results of the
Proceedings for Adopting
Sewer Fees

Resolution No. 13-63 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, and DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE PROCEEDINGS FOR ADOPTING SEWER FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII D OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-64,
Approving a Rate Adjustment
for Refuse Services Provided
by Waste Management of San
Gabriel/Pomona Valley

Resolution No. 13-64 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR REFUSE SERVICES PROVIDED IN THE CITY OF LA VERNE BY WASTE MANAGEMENT OF SAN GABRIEL/POMONA VALLEY. ***Approved as recommended.***

Resolution No. 13-65,
Restating Certain Water and
Sewer Fees and Policies for
Services

Resolution No. 13-65 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, RESTATING CERTAIN WATER AND SEWER FEES AND POLICIES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF LA VERNE AND RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS NO. 10-31 AND NO. 12-62. ***Approved as recommended.***

Staff further recommended that all rate adjustments become effective for all bills prepared on or after July 1, 2013 (as noted within the resolutions). This action is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Section 15273 – Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges and City of La Verne environmental guidelines. ***Approved as recommended.***

11. Hearing to Determine Necessity
of Utility User's Tax

Finance Officer Ron Clark reported on the hearing to determine necessity of Utility User's Tax. He stated that the provisions of Ordinance No. 955, require an annual hearing to determine whether it is necessary to continue the City's Utility User's Tax (UUT). The proposed 2013/14 budget contemplates utilizing all of the estimated \$ 3,100,000 in UUT revenue in an effort to have a balanced budget.

Based upon fiscal policies previously established, it was moved by Rosales, seconded by Redman, and unanimously carried to maintain the City's UUT at their current voter approved rates and that the reduced rate payers that are assessed a flat dollar amount each month be lowered by \$ 0.30 to \$ 3.97.

12. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED**

Annual Report and Public
"Protest" Hearing-Old Town
La Verne Business
Improvement District

Mayor Kendrick declared a conflict of interest on the Annual Report and Public Hearing "Protest" Hearing – Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District, because he owns a business within the district boundaries and left the Council Chambers. Mayor Pro Tem Rosales chaired the meeting for this matter.

Community Development Director Fredericksen reported on the annual report and public "Protest" hearing for the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District. He stated that the annual public "protest" hearing is required in order to comply with State Law, the Municipal Code, and By-Laws relative to the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District (OTLVBID).

Staff recommended that the City Council hold the annual "protest" hearing; adopt Resolution No.13-53 approving the OTLVBID Annual Report and effectively receive and file the report of the OTLVBID prior year activities, approve the proposed OTLVBID 2013-2014 Annual Budget; approve the proposed OTLVBID 2013-2014 Annual Budget, and approve re-establishment of the District boundaries and assessment formula.

Mayor Pro Tem Rosales opened the public hearing and called for public comment.

Craig Walters, spoke of the many successful events and changes in the Downtown Business Improvement District (Old Town La Verne) in the past 30 years. He thanked the City Council for their support and Community Development Director Fredericksen and staff, and Public Works Director Keesey especially for installation of the outside lighted trees in the downtown area.

There being no further public comment, Mayor Pro Tem Rosales closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Carder, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Kendrick abstained) to adopt Resolution No.13-53, to approve the OTLVBID Annual Report and to receive and file a report of the OTLVBID prior year activities, approve the proposed OTLVBID 2013-2014 Annual Budget, and approve re-establishment of the District boundaries and assessment formula.

Mayor Kendrick returned to the Council Chambers and took his seat.

Resolution No. 13-53,
Overruling Protests and
Approving the Annual Report of
the Old Town La Verne
Business Improvement District
for 2013-14

Resolution No. 13-53 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING PROTESTS AND APPROVING THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OLD TOWN LA VERNE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR 2013-2014 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 36500 ET SEQ. OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. **Approved as recommended.**

13. At 7:20 p.m., the La Verne City Council recessed to meet as the La Verne Successor Agency; and at 7:21 p.m., immediately reconvened to regular session.

14. Establishing Terms and Conditions for La Verne Firefighters' Association Members

Senior Management Analyst Ranells reported on establishing Terms and Conditions for La Verne Firefighters' Association members. He stated that the City has been unsuccessful in coming to an agreement on a successor Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the La Verne Firefighters' Association (LVFA). As a result, the City has followed the applicable impasse procedures including factfinding in accordance with Section 3505.4 of the California Government Code. Since at this time there has been no change in either party's position, it is permissible for the City Council to consider unilaterally implementing the terms and conditions of employment for LVFA members.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Kendrick, and unanimously carried to unilaterally implement the terms and conditions of employment for LVFA members as outlined in the City's Last, Best, and Final Offer (LBFO) by adopting Resolution No. 13-54.

Resolution No. 13-54, Establishing Terms and Conditions of Employment for the La Verne Firefighters' Association for a One-Year Period from July 1, 2013 Through June 30, 2014

Resolution No. 13-54 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE LA VERNE FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION FOR A ONE- YEAR PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014. **Approved as recommended.**

15. Consider Approval of La Verne Chamber of Commerce Annual Report and Funding Agreement for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

Community Development Director Fredericksen reported on the La Verne Chamber of Commerce Annual Report and Funding Agreement for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. He stated that the La Verne Chamber of Commerce has submitted their annual Report of Accomplishments, Program of Work, and Partnership Agreement for the upcoming 2013-2014 fiscal year. The Chamber requested funding at the existing level of \$35,000, and provided the Chamber's Annual Report to the City Council. Newly-elected Chair of the Board of Directors Micky Rehm and President/CEO Brian McNerney were in attendance and available for questions. The Council Liaison Committee and staff recommend the City Council approve Agreement No. 13-13, accepting the La Verne Chamber of Commerce's Annual Report and Partnership Agreement, and authorize annual funding in the amount of \$35,000 for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

It was moved by Redman, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to approve Agreement No. 13-13, accepting the La Verne Chamber of Commerce's Annual Report and Partnership Agreement, and authorize annual funding in the amount of \$35,000 for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

Council Member Carder thanked the Chamber of Commerce for all their hard work and for the many successful events held over the year. She acknowledges their effort to be financially stable and the outstanding working relationship with the City.

16. Request Concurrence for Fire Department Aerial Ladder Truck Replacement
- Fire Chief Jankowski reported on the request for Fire Department aerial ladder truck replacement. He stated that the Fire Department is seeking Council concurrence on the replacement option for a new aerial ladder truck. He summarized the need for an aerial ladder truck and reported on the pros and cons of two options. Option 1 – Continue operations with the current 1990 Sutphen aerial ladder truck and contract aerial ladder truck services from Los Angeles Fire Department and Option 2 – Purchase an aerial ladder truck. After careful evaluation of both options, staff is recommending Option 2, which best meets the needs of the La Verne Fire Department.

It was moved by Redman, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to approve Option 2 – to purchase an aerial ladder truck and direct staff to proceed with bid process and return to Council for authorization.

17. 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.

There was none.

18. Council Comments and Conference/Meeting Reports/

Happy Fourth of July

Council Member Carder wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July.

19. Closed Session

City Manager Russi reported there was no need for the City Council to meet in closed session on the following.

Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6)

City Negotiator: City Manager, and Senior Management Analyst
Employee Organization: La Verne Firefighters' Association

20. Cancellation of the July 1, 2013 Council Meeting
- It is expected that the next regular meeting of the La Verne City Council scheduled for Monday, July 1, 2013, will be CANCELED due to a lack of business.

21. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lupe Gaeta Estrella
Deputy City Clerk