

**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, October 7, 2013

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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 Donna Redman  
Council Member Robin Carder  
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 Ron Clark  
Police Chief Scott Pickwith  
Senior Administrative Analyst JR Ranells  
Principal Planner Eric Scherer  
Fire Battalion Chief Mike Vetti  
Fire Engineer Kevin Wilton
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Presentation/Introductions  
& Announcements  
  
Presentation by Assembly Member Assembly Member Holden updated Council on State legislative activities and reported on improvements in the State budget, debt reduction, and job growth.  
  
After presentation, Mayor Kendrick presented Assembly Member Holden with a City of La Verne plaque for display in his district office.
5. Consent Calendar  
  
It was moved by Redman, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to accept, approve, or act on the Consent Calendar items, except for Item 5-d, which was pulled for further discussion by Mayor Pro Tem Rosales, as follows:  
  
City Council Minutes of September 16, 2013 **City Council Minutes of September 16, 2013, received and filed.**  
  
Register of Audited Demands **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$52,955.31 dated September 9, 2013; \$1,664,395.20 dated September 16, 2013; \$169,764.32 dated September 23, 2013; and \$488,427.27 dated September 30, 2013.  
***Approved as recommended by staff.***  
  
Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes of August 27, 2013 **Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes of August 27, 2013, received and filed** as submitted.

Contract Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to Prepare the Environmental Document in Conjunction with a Proposed Residential Development for Twenty-two Homes at 6700 San Dimas Canyon Road, Creekside Investors, LLC

**Contract Agreement with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to Prepare the Environmental Document in Conjunction with a Proposed Residential Development for Twenty-two Homes at 6700 San Dimas Canyon Road being Proposed by Creekside Investors, LLC.** Staff recommended approval of the draft contract agreement with the supplemental letter (Attachment A) with Rincon Consultants, Inc. for \$34,893 for a Mitigated Negative Declaration and \$49,895 for an Environmental Impact Report. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

City Manager's Employment Contract

**City Manager's Employment Contract** - After the annual evaluation of the City Manager in August, the City Attorney was instructed to prepare an amended agreement with the City Manager. The amendment has a five year term. The City Attorney recommended that Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement with City Manager Russi. ***Approved as recommended.***

**PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION** - Request for On-duty Members to Participate in a Fill-the-Boot Muscular Dystrophy Fundraiser

Mayor Pro Tem Rosales requested that the Consent Calendar item regarding the request for on-duty members to participate in a Fill-the-Boot Muscular Dystrophy Fundraiser be pulled for further discussion.

Fire Engineer Wilton reported on the request for on-duty members to participate in a Fill-the-Boot Muscular Dystrophy Fundraiser. He stated that the La Verne Firefighters Association is requesting permission to allow on-duty personnel and equipment to participate in the annual Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Fill-the-Boot Fundraiser on October 25 and 26. The activities will be held at the corners of Foothill Boulevard and Fruit Street/White Avenue. Staff recommended that Council approve the request for on duty Firefighters and equipment to participate in the MDA Fill-the-Boot Fundraiser on October 25 and 26.

After Council discussion, it was moved by Carder, seconded by Ingels, and unanimously carried **to approve the request** for on-duty members to participate in a Fill-the Boot Muscular Dystrophy Fundraiser as long as the event is also supported by off-duty personnel.

6. East San Gabriel Valley Regional Communications Network Joint Powers Agreement

Police Chief Pickwith reported on the East San Gabriel Valley Regional Communications Network Joint Powers Agreement. He stated that the Police Department has historically maintained its own public safety radio system. Although functional, the system is limited by way of geographical challenges and insufficient infrastructure. The Department seeks to become a member of a Joint Powers Agency, which in turn will provide membership in a regional communications system. A regional platform will provide the needed infrastructure, wide area coverage, and interoperability required for public safety. Staff recommended that City Council approve the East San Gabriel Valley Regional Communications Network Joint Powers Agreement

It was moved by Redman, seconded by Rosales, and unanimously carried to approve the East San Gabriel Valley Regional Communications Network Joint Powers Agreement and authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to sign the membership Agreement.

7. City Council Assignments
- City Manager Russi reported on City Council Assignments. He stated that at the April 1, 2013, Council meeting, the City Council approved the Council Committee Assignments. The following positions were assigned to Council Member Robert Rodriguez and now require Council action for reassignment: Staff recommended that City Council discuss assignments and fill all vacancies.
- It was moved by Carder, seconded by Ingels, and unanimously carried to approve the following appointments:
- California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Liaison – Rosales & Ingels
  - Foothill Transit Zone Liaison Committee - Ingels
  - La Verne Chamber of Commerce - Ingels
  - Mobile Home Park Liaison - Ingels
  - Pomona Valley Transportation – Ingels
  - Sister City Representative (Mexico) – Committee to be dormant at this time
  - 210 Freeway – Ingels
  - League of California Cities – Ingels
8. 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.
9. Council Reports
- Council Member Carder reported that Los Angeles County Firefighters told her that La Verne Fire Engine 62 provided excellent assistance in the recent fire north of La Verne, and
- The ALS Walk at the University of La Verne brought 2000 people to the City to support ALS on October 6, 2013. She reported that it was very supportive and wonderful community event.
- Council Member Redman stated that the Public Safety Open House was great event. She thanked the Police and Fire Chiefs for their support of the event.
- Mayor Kendrick reported that he attended the Habitat for Humanity event on October 5, 2013, and thanked them for the wonderful work they do in the region.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jeannette A. Vagnozzi  
City Clerk