

**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, December 2, 2013**

1. Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
At 6:30 p.m., Mayor Kendrick kicked off the season with a holiday message and introduced seven year old Margaret Friedeman, who assisted with the tree lighting ceremony.

Mayor Kendrick also introduced members of the La Verne Chamber of Commerce. In addition, the Chamber singers from Bonita High School under the direction of Todd Helm sang Christmas Carols and Santa Claus made an appearance.
2. A regular meeting of the La Verne City Council was called to order by Mayor Kendrick at 6:45 p.m.
3. 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 Keesey
Community Development Director Hal G. Fredericksen
Finance Officer Ron Clark
Police Chief Scott Pickwith
Fire Chief Pete Jankowski
Senior Administrative Analyst JR Ranells
Assistant Planner Rafferty Wooldridge
4. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
5. Consent Calendar
It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Carder, 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 meeting of November 18, 2013, **received and filed** as submitted.

Registers of Audited Demands **Registers of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$754,018.60 for November 13, 2013, and \$201,292.25 for November 19, 2013. **Approved as recommended.**

Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes **Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes** of October 22, 2013, **received and filed** as submitted.

Request from the Veterans Memorial Committee and Veterans of Foreign War Post 12034 to Participate in a Fill-the-Helmet Fundraiser

Request from the Veterans Memorial Committee and Veterans of Foreign War Post 12034 to Participate in a Fill-the-Helmet Fundraiser –

The La Verne Veterans Memorial Committee requested permission for the committee members and Veterans of Foreign War Post 12034 to participate in a Fill-the-Helmet Fundraiser on December 7, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The activities will be held in the public right-of-way at the corners of Foothill Boulevard/Fruit Street and Foothill Boulevard/White Avenue. Staff recommended that the City Council approve the request for the La Verne Veterans Committee and VFW Post 12034 to participate in the Fill-the-Helmet Fundraiser in the public right-of-way on December 7, 2013.

Approved as recommended.

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

Resolution No. 13-93,
Authorizing the Execution of the Third Amendment and Restated Agreement with Inter-Con Security Systems, Inc., to Provide Parking Enforcement Services

Resolution No. 13-93 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE THIRD AMENDMENT AND RESTATED AGREEMENT WITH INTER- CON SECURITY SYSTEMS, INC., TO PROVIDE PARKING ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN THE CITY OF LA VERNE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014. Staff recommended that City Council approve Resolution No. 13-93, authorizing the Mayor to execute the Third Amendment and Restated Agreement with Inter-Con Security Systems for parking enforcement services in the City of La Verne through June 30, 2014. ***Approved as recommended.***

6. City Yard Solar Panels

Public Works Director Keesey reported on the City Yard Solar Panels. He stated that as part of the City's continuing energy efficiency efforts, staff has evaluated the installation of a photovoltaic (PV), or solar energy, system at the city yard. The existence of current structures upon which to construct the system, open site, and high energy usage make the city yard an ideal candidate to install an affordable PV system. The recommended system will reduce the city yard's energy demands on Southern California Edison (SCE) by approximately 70% and result in an annual savings of \$20,000-\$30,000. Total savings over the 25 year life expectancy of the PV system is estimated to be \$473,000.

The Mayor declared the public hearing (which is required under California Government Code Sections 4217.10 to 4217.18 for energy projects not publicly bid), opened and called for public testimony. There being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

Council Members all commented on their approval of this project and this direction for future projects.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Ingels, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 13-91 authorizing the Director of Public Works to enter into a contract with Solar City Corporation for the design, purchase, and installation of a new solar photovoltaic system at the city yard, substantially conforming to the proposal submitted hereto. The project is expected to be found categorically exempt from CEQA under Section 15301, Existing Facilities, and City of La Verne environmental guidelines, subject to approval of the Development Review Committee.

Resolution No. 13-91,
Authorizing the Award of a
Contract to Solar City
Corporation for the Design and
Construction of a Solar
Photovoltaic System

Resolution No. 13-91 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SOLAR CITY CORPORATION FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY SOLAR CITY CORPORATION DATED OCTOBER 16, 2013. **Approved as recommended by staff.**

7. Housing Element Update

Assistant Planner Wooldridge and ESA Consultant Arleen Granadosin reported on the Housing Element Update. The California State Law requires cities to adopt Housing Elements within their General Plans, and that the Housing Element be updated periodically to reflect current conditions and legal requirements. The City's previous Housing Element was adopted in 2010; State Law requires that the element be updated for the 2014-2021 planning period. Community Development Staff has been working with the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to achieve compliance on the Housing Element Update. HCD has recently provided the City with a provisional approval for certification subject to the adoption of two Municipal Code Amendments. The La Verne Municipal Code must be amended to bring the City into compliance with recently adopted State Laws. The Municipal Code must be amended to establish a Density Bonus Ordinance, establish a Reasonable Accommodation Policy, include Transitional and Supportive Housing in residential zones, and allow Emergency shelters in the Arrow Corridor Specific Plan (SP84-12) Industrial District as a permitted use. Staff, the Development Review Committee, and Planning Commission recommended approval by the City Council.

The Mayor declared the public hearing opened and called for public testimony. There being none, he declared the public hearing closed.

After Council review of staff report and supporting materials, it was moved by Rosales, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 13-92, adopting the 2014- 2021 La Verne Housing Element and read by title, introduce and place on first reading Ordinance Nos.1040 and 1041 authorizing Municipal Code Amendments, and Specific Plan Amendment relating to Density Bonus, Reasonable Accommodation, Transitional and Supportive Housing, and Emergency Shelters, as follows:

Resolution No. 13-92,
Approving Case No. 82-13GPA,
and Adopting the Housing
Element of the General Plan

Resolution No. 13-92 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING CASE NO. 82- 13GPA, AND ADOPTING THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF THE SAID CITY, AND ADOPTING THE PREPARED INITIAL STUDY AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION. **Approved as recommended**

Ordinance No. 1040,
Approving Case No. 139-13ZA,
Amending Title 18 of the
La Verne Municipal Code
Relating to Density Bonus,
Reasonable Accommodation,
and Transitional and Supportive
Housing

Ordinance No. 1040 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING CASE NO. 139-13ZA AMENDING TITLE 18 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO DENSITY BONUS, REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION, AND TRANSITIONAL AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. **Approved and placed on first reading.**

Ordinance No. 1041,
Approving Case No. 140-
13SPA Amending the Arrow
Corridor Specific Plan (SP 84-
12) to Allow Emergency
Shelters

Ordinance No. 1041 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING CASE NO. 140-13SPA AMENDING THE ARROW CORRIDOR SPECIFIC PLAN (SP 84-12) TO ALLOW EMERGENCY SHELTERS AS A PERMITTED USE, AND ESTABLISHING DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTERS IN THE INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT OF THE ARROW CORRIDOR SPECIFIC PLAN.
Approved and placed on first reading.

8. PERS Temporary Employment Contract

City Manager Russi reported on the PERS Temporary Employment Contract. He stated that two long-tenured City employees, the City's Finance Officer and Police Records Supervisor, have submitted paperwork to retire at the end of this month. Both have been employed by the City for more than 25 years and have a significant amount of operational and corporate knowledge. In order to minimize disruption to their respective department's operations, the City is interested in retaining their services until the end of the fiscal year. In order to be compliant with the 2013 Pension Reform Act, it is necessary for the City Council to take an action affirming the execution of such employment arrangements. The submitted resolutions and agreements satisfy those requirements.

It was moved by Redman, seconded by Ingels, and unanimously carried to approve Resolutions 13-89 and 13-90, authorizing, the City Manager to execute the agreements with Ron Clark and Ruth Mahlow to provide temporary, part-time employment.

Resolution No. 13-89,
Authorizing an Agreement with
"Retired annuitant" Ronald L.
Clark for Temporary
Employment

Resolution No. 13-89 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH "RETIRED ANNUITANT" RONALD L. CLARK FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT.
Approved as recommended.

Resolution No. 13-90,
Authorizing an Agreement with
"Retired Annuitant" Ruth E.
Mahlow for Temporary
Employment

Resolution No. 13-90 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH "RETIRED ANNUITANT" RUTH E. MAHLOW FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT.
Approved as recommended.

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.

Ben Wong, Region Manager for Southern California Edison introduced himself as temporary replacement for Donna Lee who has retired.

10. Council Comments and Meeting/Conference Reports

Council: Member Donna Redman invited everyone to support the fundraiser with the La Verne Police Officers' Association and the La Verne Firefighters Association, Bonita High School students, and Bonita High School staff. People are asked to bring a toy or canned good to support the Christmas food baskets and toy drive programs sponsored by the public safety departments.

