

**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, March 3, 2014**

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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 IngelsAbsent: 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
  - Principal Planner Eric Scherer
  - Fire Chief Pete Jankowski
  - Police Captain Nick Paz
  - Accounting Manager Richard Martinez
  - Maintenance Manager Anthony Ciotti
  - Senior Management Analyst JR Ranells
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Presentations
  - Update on Mosquito Abatement District** – Dr. Bob Neher, representative for La Verne on the San Gabriel Mosquito and Vector Control District, provided an update to the Council on invasive species of mosquitoes and asked that people call the district if clusters of mosquitoes or day-biting mosquitoes are evident.
  - Update from University of La Verne President Devorah Lieberman** – Dr. Lieberman provided an update to the City Council about the University's scholarship gala which raised over \$550,000 for scholarships. The event honored The Hafif Family foundation which has contributed over \$20 million dollars in regional philanthropy. Dr. Lieberman also introduced Myra Garcia, Vice President of University Advancement.

5. Consent Calendar
- Council Members Carder and Redman abstained from voting on item 5b, check number 120966 in the amount of \$27,000 payable to the University of La Verne for community access cable programming because they are employed by the University of La Verne.
- At the request of the City Attorney, item 5e, substitution of Bonds: Map No. 71726 (La Verne Technology and Trade Center) was pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.
- It was moved by Redman, seconded by Carder, and unanimously carried to approve the remaining items on the Consent Calendar.
- City Council Minutes **City Council Minutes** of the regular meeting of February 18, 2014, ***received and filed as submitted.***
- Register of Audited Demands **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$632,175.06 for February 10, 2014, ***approved as recommended.*** **NOTE:** Council Members Carder and Redman abstained from voting on check number 120966 in the amount of \$27,000 payable to the University of La Verne for community access cable programming because they are employed by the University of La Verne.
- Register of Audited Demands **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$985,154.67 for February 18, 2014, ***approved as recommended.***
- Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes **Youth & Family Action Committee Minutes** of January 28, 2014, ***received and filed as submitted.***
- Pulled from Consent Calendar by City Attorney for further discussion.** **Substitution of Bonds: Map No. 71726 (La Verne Technology and Trade Center)** – On November 19, 2012, the City Council approved Final Tract Map No. 71726 with the subdivision agreement and bonds in the name of the subdivider, the Trammell Crow Company. The Trammell Crow Company is requesting that CT La Verne Partners, LLC be substituted for their company with the posting of a new subdivision agreement and bonds. Staff recommended that the City Council approve the substitution of CT La Verne Partners, LLC for the Trammell Crow Company for Tract Map No. 71726.
- City Attorney Robert Kress explained that the Trammell Crow Company was in escrow to sell their approved industrial park development (La Verne Technology and Trade Center) to CT La Verne Partners LLC. At the close of escrow, the new owner would enter into the appropriate subdivision agreements and post the necessary security for those obligations. The Council was asked to approve the form of the agreements with the new owner and to authorize staff to issue a letter to Trammell Crow releasing them from all further liability on the agreements and bonds that were in place when they were the owner of record.
- It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Ingels, and carried unanimously to approve the substitution of bonds as recommended.
- Resolution (s)** passed & adopted, as recommended, as follows:

Resolution No. 14-12,  
Approving the Placement of  
Fairplex/Los Angeles County Fair  
Hanging Banners on Street Lights  
Poles

**Resolution No. 14-12** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE PLACEMENT OF FAIRPLEX/LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR HANGING BANNERS ON STREET LIGHT POLES AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF LA VERNE. Staff recommended that the City Council approve the placement of hanging banners for Fairplex/ Los Angeles County Fair on street light poles.  
***Approved as recommended.***

**Ordinance (s) passed and adopted, as recommended, as follows:**

Ordinance No. 1043, Amending the  
La Verne Municipal Code Relating  
to Transitional and Supportive  
Housing

**Ordinance No. 1043** – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING CASE NO. 15-14ZA AMENDING TITLE 18 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO TRANSITIONAL AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. ***Adopted as recommended.***

6. Annual Weed Abatement/Protest  
Hearing

**Annual Weed Abatement/Protest Hearing** – Assistant to the City Manager Jeannette Vagnozzi reported that on February 3, 2014, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 14-05, accepting the Declaration List of Properties that was found by inspectors to have growing upon them weeds or brush and/or rubbish. Pursuant to the County of Los Angeles Department of Agricultural Commissioner and Weights and Measures, these conditions constitute a public nuisance and must be abated. Notices to destroy weeds were mailed to property owners notifying them of a hazard or public nuisance upon their property and that same must be abated. That notice set March 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., as the date and time for protests to be heard from affected property owners. The annual weed abatement notice further required that owners of declared properties must maintain their parcels in a fire- safe condition throughout the year.

The public hearing was opened and there was no public comments. It was moved by Redman, seconded by Carder, and carried unanimously to approve to abate the nuisance by having weeds, rubbish, and refuse removed as recommended.

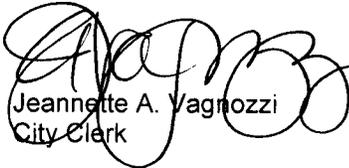
7. Memorandum of Understanding  
with the City of Claremont

**Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Claremont** – City Manager Robert Russi introduced an updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), that was drafted in cooperation with Claremont's legal counsel and reviewed by our staff. The document outlines parameters and access to information that will allow our staff to evaluate whether operating Claremont's water system is feasible, should Claremont be successful in acquiring it from Golden State Water Company. Mr. Russi noted that the MOU includes reimbursement to the City for any costs should the City of Claremont abandon their effort to acquire the water system or choose another operator. Claremont will also indemnify the City should it be included in any litigation.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Rosales, and carried unanimously to authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Claremont.

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 no public comment.
9. Council Comments and Meeting/Conference Reports
- Council Member Carder reported that she attended the American Softball Association Opening Day in La Verne was very impressed by the level of volunteerism that supports youth programs in the community.
- Council Member Donna Redman invited the public to attend the Parent Drug Education Class on March 4, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center. The class is cosponsored by the youth and Family Action Committee and the La Verne Police Department.
- Council Member Ingels acknowledged the contributions of Dr. Neher through his 52 year teaching career at the University of La Verne.
10. Adjournment
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jeannette A. Vagnozzi  
City Clerk