

**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, July 16, 2018**

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 Muir Davis
Council Member Robin Carder
Council Member Charlie Rosales
Council Member Tim Hepburn

Absent: None.

Advisory personnel present: City Manager Robert Russi
Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Dan Keeseey
City Attorney Robert L. Kress
Assistant City Clerk Lupe Gaeta Estrella
Community Development Director Eric Scherer
Police Chief Nick Paz
Police Captain Colleen Flores
Police Lieutenant Sam Gonzalez
Fire Chief Pete Jankowski
City Engineer Dominic Milano
Personnel Officer JR Ranells
Senior Planner Luke Seibert
Recreation Coordinator Yvonne Duran
Assistant Planner Maia McCurley
Interim Finance Director Nathan Statham
Finance Consultant Mark Alvarado
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kendrick.
4. Recognition of Eric McHugh for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout
Eagle Scout McHugh was unable to attend. There was no presentation.
Recognition of Eric McHugh for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout -
Eric proved his commitment, competence and persistence by meeting the challenges of the Eagle Scout rank and the qualities developed in becoming an Eagle Scout. As a citizen of La Verne, he truly personifies the "Pride of La Verne".

Presentation on the New San Dimas/La Verne Kiwanis Club
Anna Wu, representing the new San Dimas/La Verne Kiwanis Club reported on their new Club and new support services. She stated that the Kiwanis Club was founded in 1951, dedicated to serving the children of the world. Ms. Wu reported that the new Kiwanis Club would now be supporting the key clubs at Bonita High School and San Dimas High School to mentor, inspire, and encourage more youth to make a positive impact on their community.

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

Resolution No. 18-38 ,
Determining Special Tax for the
2018-19 Fiscal Year for
Community Facilities District
No. 90-1

Resolution No. 18-38 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING SPECIAL TAX FOR THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR (COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 90-1 - LA VERNE INDUSTRIAL SPECIFIC PLAN) - In January 1991, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 817 authorizing the levy of a special tax for the Community Facilities District No. 90-1. The special taxes are to be levied each year on those properties contained in the District (La Verne Industrial Specific Plan) for the operation and maintenance of the public infrastructure. Refer to Exhibit "A" of the original Engineer's Report and Exhibit "A" of the attached Resolution for those properties which are to receive a levy. The formation of the district allowed for an annual increase not to exceed 5%. These taxes will fund public safety services, sewer pump maintenance, street maintenance, and related administrative costs for services provided to the District. The total square footage assessed this fiscal year is 2,234,289.

Staff recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 18-38, levying a special tax for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year per the schedule shown in Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 18-38, which increases the rate by 3.6 percent to address the cost of living increases based on the annual consumer price index ending March 2018. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

Resolution No. 18-39,
Determining Special Tax for the
2018-19 Fiscal Year for
Community Facilities District
No. 11-1

Resolution No. 18-39 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING SPECIAL TAX FOR THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR (COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 11-1). On May 16, 2011, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1023 authorizing the levy of a special tax for the Community Facilities District No. 11-1. The special taxes are to be levied each year on those properties contained in the District for the financing of the fire suppression and prevention services necessary to serve the buildings determined to be taxable. The "Map of Proposed Boundaries of City of La Verne Community Facilities District No. 11-01" of the original rate and method of apportionment report shows these properties within the District. The rate of assessment for this Fiscal Year has been increased by 3.6% over the previous year assessments to match the increase to the Consumer Price Index. A copy of this exhibit was submitted for reference. The total square footage of permitted and/or developed property assessed this fiscal year is 280,434.

Staff is recommended that the City Council adopt the Resolution No. 18-39, levying a special tax for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year per the schedule shown in Exhibit "A" of Resolution No. 18-39. ***Approved as recommended by staff.***

6. Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6, and Zones 2, 3, 4 I, 4 II, 5, and 6; Public Hearing and Resolution 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; public hearing and resolution providing for the annual levy. He stated that on June 4, 2018, the City Council set July 16, 2018, 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 June 4, 2018 meeting was also submitted with the staff report in the Agenda packet. No change in the assessment levy is being proposed for the subject benefit in zones, except for Zone 6 which is proposed to increase by the CPI of 3.6% to \$264.85 per parcel. City Engineer Milano was present at the meeting to answer any questions.

There were no Council comments or questions.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Hepburn, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 18-40, providing for the annual levy and collection of assessment for the special zones in District No. 6 for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Resolution No. 18-40, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collection of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6.

Resolution No. 18-40 - 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.**

7. Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No.7; Public Hearing and Resolution Providing for the Annual Levy

City Manager Russi reported on the Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No.7; public Hearing and resolution providing for the annual levy. He stated that on June 4, 2018, the City Council set July 16, 2018 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 4, 2018 meeting was also submitted with the staff report in the Agenda packet. There is no proposed increase in the assessment, but the levy is proposed to decrease by \$43.26 to \$650.00 from the maximum assessment of \$693.26 per parcel. City Engineer Milano was present at the meeting to answer any questions

There were no Council comments or questions.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Hepburn, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 18-41, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Resolution No. 18-41, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collecting of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District No. 7

Resolution No. 18-41 - 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.**

8. Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 8; Public Hearing and Resolution Providing for the Annual Levy

City Manager Russi reported on the Citywide Landscaping and Lighting District No. 8; public hearing and resolution providing for the annual levy. He stated that on June 4, 2018, the City Council set July 16, 2018 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 4, 2018, meeting was included with the staff report in the Agenda packet. There is no proposed increase in the assessment from last year's levy. City Engineer Milano was present at the meeting to answer any questions

There were no Council comments or questions.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Hepburn, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 18-42, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Resolution No. 18-42, Overruling Protests and Providing for the Annual Levy and Collecting of Assessments for Landscaping and Lighting District No. 8

Resolution No. 18-42 - 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.**

9. Conflict of Interest/Council Member Carder

Council Member Carder declared a conflict of interest because she is a member of the Board of Directors for a homeowners' association that oversees property appearing on the weed abatement list and left Council Chambers.

Maintenance District 84-1M (Esperanza Slopes); Public Hearing and Resolution providing for Annual Levy

City Manager Russi reported on Maintenance District 84-1M (Esperanza Slopes); public hearing and resolution providing for annual levy. He stated that on June 4, 2018, the City Council set July 16, 2018 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 4, 2018 meeting was included in the Agenda Packet. The 2018-2019 assessment is proposed to remain at the same level since 1992. City Engineer Milano was present at the meeting to answer any questions

There were no Council comments or questions.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Hepburn and carried by a vote of 4-0, (Carder Abstained) to adopt Resolution No. 18-43, providing for the annual levy for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

Resolution No. 18-43, Confirming the Diagram and Assessment and Providing for the Levy of the Annual Assessment in Maintenance District No. 84-1M

Resolution No. 18-43 - 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.**

10. Conflict of Interest/Council Member Carder

Council Member Carder declared a conflict of interest because she owns property within the boundaries of Maintenance District 84-1M and left the Council Chambers.

Confirmation of 2017-18 Weed Clearance Charges

City Manager Russi reported on the 2017-18 Weed Clearance Charges. He stated that on February 20, 2018, the City Council authorized the Los Angeles County Department of Agriculture to conduct weed clearance on specific parcels within the City. The purpose of this hearing is to approve the costs that will be passed on to property owners. A notice of this hearing has been sent to the affected property owners.

There were no Council comments or questions.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Davis, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Carder Abstained) to confirm the list of charges and direct the County Auditor to enter the assessment against the parcels of land on the current assessment roll.

Council Member Carder returned to the Council Chambers and took her seat.

11. Preferential Parking on the 2000 Block of Fifth Street

Police Lieutenant Gonzalez reported on the request for preferential parking on the 1900 Block of Fifth Street. He stated that the City received a petition from the residents of the 1900 block of Fifth Street requesting preferential parking in front of their homes. Residents have cited the reasons for this request as ongoing issues with vehicles parked on the residential streets adjacent to their residence. He stated that Police staff conducted several inspections of the area at various times of the week and found numerous cars parked on the street and residents were displaced. In addition, in their observation, it was noted that University of La Verne students and faculty members were parking on Fifth Street and using the pedestrian bridge onto B Street.

Mayor Kendrick opened the public hearing and called for public testimony on this matter. There was none.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis asked if there would still be a parking problem after the construction of the ULV dorms.

Council Member Carder replied to Mayor Pro Tem Davis's question. She stated that the University of La Verne offers parking for their students and there is a parking fee charge which is included in their tuition fee; but if there is a faster shorter way to get to school they will take it.

Council Member Hepburn stated he walked the 1900 block of Fifth Street and spoke with the residents and he agreed that there is a parking problem.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Rosales, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 18-44, designating a "Residential Preferential Parking Zone" of the 1900 Block of Fifth Street from C Street west to the dead end of Fifth Street, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Resolution No. 18-44,
Designating a "Resident's
Preferential Parking Zone by
Adding the 1900 Block of Fifth
Street

Resolution No. 18-44 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING A "RESIDENTS' PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE" PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 10.76 OF THE LA VERNE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING 1900 BLOCK OF 'FIFTH STREET', THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE OF THE STREET FROM THE CORNER OF "C" STREET, WEST TO THE DEAD END OF THE STREET. **Approved.**

12. Resolution Approving the Form and Authorizing Distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement in Connection with the Offering and Sale of Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds

Finance Consultant Mark Alvarado reported on the resolution approving the form and authorizing distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the offering and sale of taxable Pension Obligation Bonds. He stated that on February 5, 2018, the City Council gave direction to City staff to proceed with the steps necessary to issue pension obligation bonds. This bond issuance will generate funds necessary to pay off 100% of the unfunded accrued liability ("UAL") that is owed to CalPERS (except for a minor amount related to PEPRA plans), as of the June 30, 2018 valuation, and to reimburse the City for amounts previously advanced to prepay the 2006 pension bonds in 2016. At a study session on July 2, 2018, the City Council directed staff to issue pension obligation bonds to pay off 100% of the current UAL. The total amount of the new bond issue will be approximately \$53.275 million, including the total costs of issuance. The total amount also includes the \$2 million obligation owed from the 2006 pension obligation bond. The bonds will be repaid over a 26-year period, which is four years less than the 30-year repayment schedule to CalPERS. The interest rate is estimated at 4.25% based on the current market conditions. He stated that the City of La Verne received an AA+ credit rating, which is excellent.

Council Member Carder thanked the City Council and City staff for all the time and efforts working on resolving this matter and that this was a good decision.

Mayor Pro Davis stated that La Verne residents should be proud of the City's credit rating which is one mark below from the top credit rating, and it shows that the City of La Verne is solvent. He thanked the residents and the City employees for making La Verne a great City.

Council Member Hepburn asked if there is a high demand for municipal bonds. Finance Consultant Alvarado replied that the market for these types of bonds is very good.

Mayor Kendrick stated that the City of La Verne was obligated to pay the CalPERS unfunded accrued liability and everyone worked together to find ways of closing the gap by decreasing expenses to be able to pay for this obligation, so the City can continue being the best it can be. He thanked the City staff for their work on resolving this difficult matter.

Mayor Kendrick called for public comment.

Richard Bowen, Eagle Court, La Verne asked where La Verne residents could purchase the bonds. He was advised to contact his financial advisor.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Rosales, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 18-45, approving the form of the preliminary official statement, and the approval of the continuing disclosure certificate, authorizing the issuance of pension obligation bonds. The estimated amount of bonds to be issued is \$53.275 million.

It was moved by Davis, seconded by Rosales, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 18-45, which approves the form of the Preliminary Official Statement, and authorizes the issuance of bonds.

Resolution No. 18- 45,
Approving the Form and
Authorizing Distribution of
Preliminary Official Statement
in Connection with the Offering
and Sale of Taxable Pension
Obligation Bonds, and
Authorizing and Directing
Certain Actions with Respect
thereto.

Resolution No.18- 45 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING AND SALE OF TAXABLE PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CERTAIN ACTIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO. **Approved.**

13. Conflict of Interest/Mayor
Kendrick

Mayor Kendrick declared a conflict of interest because he owns a business in close proximity to the University of La Verne main campus and he left the Council Chambers. Mayor Pro Tem Davis chaired the meeting.

Demolition of the University of
La Verne's Studebaker-
Hanawalt Residence Hall at
1920 Bonita Avenue.

Assistant Planner McCurley reported on the Demolition of the University of La Verne's Studebaker-Hanawalt Residence Hall at 1920 Bonita Avenue along with a slide presentation. She stated that the University of La Verne is proposing to demolish the existing Studebaker- Hanawalt Residence Hall located at 1920 Bonita Avenue. The demolition was identified as a project in Phase I (2015 – 2021) of the University's Master Plan, which was approved by the City in March 2017. Studebaker-Hanawalt is more than 50 years in age and as such, qualifies as a historic building per the standards of the Master Plan. The conditions of approval for the Master Plan requires all historic buildings proposed for demolition to be reviewed by City Council prior to issuance of demolition permits. The applicant has prepared a historical survey of the building, as well as a compendium of photographs and plans to memorialize the architecture and history of Studebaker-Hanawalt Residence Hall, for Council's consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis called for public comment on this matter. There was none.

Staff recommended after Council's review of the documentation and photographs of the Studebaker-Hanawalt building (Attachments A and B included in the Agenda packet), authorization to demolish the facility.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Hepburn and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Kendrick Abstained) to authorize the issuance of permits to demolish the Studebaker-Hanawalt building.

14. City Council Compensation

City Manager Russi stated that during the budget study session, it was requested by Mayor Kendrick that the subject of council compensation be placed on the July 16th Council agenda for Council discussion. He recommended that the City Council discuss the matter and if necessary, provide direction to staff.

Council Member Carder stated she also wanted this matter be placed on the Agenda for Council discussion. She stated that with the City making cuts to the budget and the City unable to give employees' raises, she felt it was important to show the employees Council's support by also cutting Council's budget. She suggested eliminating medical coverage for City Council and that the savings (\$35-\$40 thousand dollars) could be put back into the general fund.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis stated that when he ran for City Council, he knew it would take a lot of his time and commitment, but he wanted to serve the community. He looked at the stipend and medical coverage, and felt it was a good incentive, even though he currently has medical coverage with his employer. He felt that the millennium generation will also see it as remuneration and help them understand that the position of Council Member is important and will require their full commitment. He felt that compensation would encourage individuals to run for City Council and provide the City with good leaders. He opposed eliminating medical coverage for City Council.

Council Member Rosales stated he saw both the value of Council Members Carder and Davis's positions. He felt that remuneration would be a contributing factor for someone to run for Council and to do a good job. He opposed eliminating medical coverage for City Council.

Council Member Hepburn stated he appreciated everyone's comments on this matter. He stated he owns his own business and has his own benefits. He stated he receives no benefits from City including the stipend and pays for all his meals. He spoke of the pension bond obligation faced by the City. He agreed with Council Member Carder that eliminating medical coverage for City Council would show Council's support for the employees.

Mayor Kendrick stated that City Council's stipend has not been increased since 2001, and that the City Council also pays out of their own pocket for meeting expenses. He stated the City Council is frugal and do not overindulge and that shows their support of employees. He spoke about other cities having higher stipends and larger budgets. He stated the opinions expressed by Council have value, and he was hesitant to say whether the City would get good leaders if incentives were taken away.

Mayor Kendrick called for public comment.

Richard Bowen, Eagle Court Drive, La Verne, stated that the comments by Mayor Pro Tem Davis are demeaning to the City Council and to future Council candidates by insinuating that the City will not attract good people unless they are compensated and that he should not have double medical coverage.

Elizabeth Herbert asked Council Member Carder if school board members are compensated and do they receive medical coverage. Council Member Carder replied that when she was on the board nine years ago, the board members only received a stipend.

Terry Pretience, La Verne, stated that the current stipend for City Council is low. He suggested adjusting Council's stipend to cover medical expense. He stated that having double medical coverage is not good practice.

Alan Wadham, 3669 York Circle, La Verne stated he agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Davis comments. He stated that the time put in by Council is astonishing and they should be compensated. He stated that it was a small price to pay for good leadership. He also stated that it would be difficult to regain the benefit once it's eliminated. He urged the City Council not to eliminate the medical insurance.

Kathy Windsor, La Verne asked for clarification on the cost for the medical insurance for City Council and she asked how the City obtains the medical insurance. City Manager Russi answered that the cost for medical for the City Council is \$30-35 thousand dollars. The \$40-47 thousand is the total for all Council expenses and that the City negotiates for medical insurance with a broker.

Council Member Carder asked if City Council could only cover the member and not the family. City Manager Russi replied that staff would have to look into it with the broker and a resolution with the change will have to be brought back to Council for approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Davis stated his comments were not directed at the Council or their leadership. He felt that by cutting compensation, the City would struggle to get people to run for Council. He stated as a Council Member he is fully committed to serving the community and that the City is fortunate to have good talented people on the Council.

It was moved by Carder, seconded by Hepburn and carried by a vote of 3-2 (Davis and Rosales voted No) to eliminate medical coverage for City Council Members effective January 1, 2019. Staff will bring back a resolution for Council's approval and the change will be effective on December 31, 2018.

15. Contract for Emergency Jail Services

Captain Flores reported on the proposed contract for Emergency Jail Services She stated that due to lack of available Police Aides, who serve as jailers, the Police Department has developed an emergency month-to-month agreement with G4S Secure Solutions through the GSA (General Services Administration) to provide emergency jail services on a contractual basis.

Mayor Kendrick called for public comment on this matter. There was none.

It was moved by Rosales, seconded by Hepburn, and unanimously carried to approve Resolution No.18-46, authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with G4S to provide emergency jail services for the La Verne Police Department on a month-to-month contractual basis, with a maximum of six months.

Resolution No. 18-46,
Authorizing an Agreement with
G4S Secure Solutions to
Provide Emergency Jail
Services for the La Verne
Police Department

Resolution No. 18-46 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH G4S SECURE SOLUTIONS TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY JAIL SERVICES FOR THE LA VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT. **Approved.**

16. 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.

Krista Chakmak stated she is running for Bonita Unified School Board.

Kathy Windsor, La Verne, questioned the Police Department personnel reallocation. City Manager Russi said there were no cuts being made in the Police Department and that the Police Department is reallocating distribution of current personnel staff and with the savings, a new patrol officer will be hired.

Chis Gendreau, owner of Chases' Restaurant, stated that he needed the loan from the City to continue paying the lease of his previous business on Third Street. He stated he advised the owner Linda Wilkinson that he needed to expand his business and would be leaving. He stated that Ms. Wilkinson refused to work with him and release him from the lease. He spoke of the continued difficulty with assisting Ms. Wilkinson in finding a new tenant for the location. He reported there have been several potential tenants who wish to lease the property, but Ms. Wilkinson has not been agreeable. He spoke of the financial hardship in paying two leases. He stated he would not need the loan from the City, if Ms. Wilkinson released him from the Third Street lease.

Gary Hunter, Chelsea Drive, La Verne reported that there was a water leak at Foothill and Emerald and requested a trash can for the east end of Emerald Park. Matter was referred to Public Works Department for handling.

17. Council Comments and Meeting/Conference Reports

Mayor Kendrick reported on the Fourth of July parade, firework show and activities. He stated it was an amazing day and everyone had a good time. He commended and thanked City Staff for their participation and work on that day. He also reported on an Eagle Scout Ceremony he attended.

18. Closed Session

At 8:07 pm., City Council recessed to closed session to meet for the following:

Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

Keith Garwick v. City of La Verne, Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. BS169288.

Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1).

La Verne Firefighters Association v. City of La Verne, Civil Action No. 2:17-cv-08743- GW (AFMx)

Conference with Legal Counsel to discuss Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1).

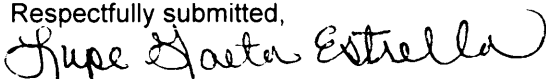
Meritage Homes of California, Inc., v. City of La Verne, 8:18 cv00929 JFW (AGRx).

19. Cancellation of August 6, 2018, Council Meeting

The next regular meeting of the La Verne City Council scheduled for Monday, August 6, 2018, was **CANCELED** due to lack of business.

20. Adjournment at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Lupe Gaeta Estrella, CMC
Assistant City Clerk