

CITY OF LA VERNE

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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Robin Carder, Mayor Pro Tem
Muir Davis, Council Member
Rick Crosby, Council Member
Wendy M. Lau, Council Member



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Monday, April 05, 2021 - 6:30 p.m.

In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office at (909) 596-8726 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Regular Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month.

Tonight's Council Meeting will again be closed to the public in compliance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 Virus. However, the City encourages public participation and as such wants to make residents aware of the following opportunities on how to participate:

- 1) View the meeting through the City's website at www.cityoflaverne.org and click on the green "Council Meeting Live Stream" button.
- 2) Individuals can email their comments to the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org up to noon on the day of the meeting. Those comments will be shared with City Council in advance of the City Council meeting and included as part of the permanent record. **Please be advised that public comments submitted by emails or any other format to the City are public records that will be made available for public viewing.**
- 3) Individual who wish to share their comments directly during the meeting may do so by emailing the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org with their phone number and the item(s) they wish to speak on. Requests will be accepted before and throughout the meeting and staff will call you back at the appropriate time. Once items are considered by the City Council, no further public comment on that matter will be accepted. A time limit of 3-minutes is set for all public comments.
- 4) If you wish to participate via Zoom, you will need to register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GKIF7zPwSAOhT2Lb9NX05A **before 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 5, 2021**, and please be aware that space is limited. You will have the ability to watch the meeting in real time and raise your hand to request to comment as appropriate on the current agenda item(s). Once it is your turn to speak, you will be brought into the meeting and have the ability to turn your video on when called upon.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL:** Council Member Davis, Council Member Crosby, Council Member Lau, Mayor Pro Tem Carder and Mayor Hepburn.

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS** (Any person who wishes to make a brief announcement of a future community event that is open to the general public may do so at this time)

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (All items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a member of the City Council or member of the audience requests separate discussion.)

a. **City Council Minutes of March 15, 2021, to be received and filed.**

b. **Register of Audited Demands** in the amount of \$722,874.49, dated March 10, 2021, ***approval recommended by the Interim Finance Director Alvarado.***

c. **Extension of Car Show Contract for Old Town La Verne** - The Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District (BID) is requesting the City Council consider a one-year extension to the contract for the two cars shows held in Old Town La Verne. While it is recognized the car shows may not occur due to State and County Health orders relating to COVID, the BID and promoter are asking for the extension to potentially make up for the shows which did not occur in 2020 and 2021.

Community Development Director Scherer and the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District recommend that the City Council approve the proposed extension of the agreement with the promoter, Flying Deuces, to host car shows, if permitted, until April of 2022.

d. **Rotation of Mayor Pro Tem** - The City Council has followed a formal procedure for the rotation of the office of Mayor Pro Tem since 1993 and reaffirmed that policy annually. Attached is Resolution No. 20-19 establishing the rotation policy of the office of Mayor Pro Tem.

Assistant City Clerk Estrella recommends that the City Council appoint Muir Davis as Mayor Pro Tem who is next on the rotation list pursuant to Resolution No 20-19, for a one-year term, or until the second Council meeting of March of 2022.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Amherst Housing Development – 2820 Amherst Street, Case Nos. 17-20PPR, 11-20TR, 20-20ZC, 109-20SP, 19-20GPA, 18-20TTM - Request to construct 42 detached single-family homes - The applicant, Matt Waken with MJW Investments, LLC, is proposing to develop 42 single family homes at 2820 Amherst Street (8666-021-902) and a portion of the adjacent parcel, 8666-021-904, both City owned properties. The properties are currently zoned PR3D and are designated Low Density Residential in the General Plan. The Planning Commission recommended by a 4-0 vote that the City Council deny the request unless the density of the project is lowered, resulting in fewer homes. Staff and the Development Review Committee (DRC) recommend approval to the City Council for Case Numbers 18-20TTM, 20-20ZC, 109-20SP, and 19-20GPA, based on the staff report and the attached conditions of approval.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council should approve the Amherst Housing Development, 2820 Amherst Street, Case Numbers 18-20TTM, 20-20ZC, 109-20SP, and 19-20GPA, based on the staff report and the conditions of approval; and

Approve and place on first reading Ordinance No. 1099 and Ordinance No. 1100, as follows.

Ordinance No. 1099 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE “AMHERST SPECIFIC PLAN” FOR THE SITE LOCATED AT 2820 AMHERST STREET (8666-021-902) AND A PORTION OF THE ADJACENT PARCEL, 8666-021-904 IN THE CITY OF LA VERNE.

Ordinance No. 1100 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CHANGING THE ZONE DESIGNATION FROM “PR3D” TO “SPECIFIC PLAN” FOR THE SITE LOCATED AT 2820 AMHERST STREET (8666-021-902) AND A PORTION OF THE ADJACENT PARCEL, 8666-021-904 IN THE CITY OF LA VERNE.

Approve Resolution Nos. 21-16 and 21-17, as follows:

Resolution No. 21-16 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CHANGING THE GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION OF THE SITE AT 2820 AMHERST STREET (8666-021-902) AND A PORTION OF THE ADJACENT PARCEL, 8666-021-904 FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL.

Resolution No. 21-17 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NUMBER 83064 AT THE SITE LOCATED AT 2820 AMHERST STREET (8666-021-902) AND A PORTION OF THE ADJACENT PARCEL, 8666-021-904.

7. **OTHER MATTERS**

a. **Adoption of the Fire Code of the Los Angeles County Code Incorporating by Reference the 2019 Edition of the California Fire Code with Certain Changes and Amendments** -

The County of Los Angeles on March 10, 2020 adopted Title 32 – Fire Code of the Los Angeles County Code by incorporating by reference the 2019 Edition of the California Fire Code, with certain changes and amendments. The City of La Verne’s Fire Marshal and City Engineer have reviewed the changes made by the County of Los Angeles and are recommending additional changes specific to the City of La Verne. The code with the recommended changes establishes fire standards for the City of La Verne to promote the health and safety of the general public.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council should introduce by title, waive further reading and set the public hearing for Monday, April 19, 2021, for Ordinance No. 1101, adopting Title 32 - Fire Code of the Los Angeles County with the City of La Verne amendments.

Ordinance No.1101 - ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VERNE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50022.2, TITLE 32 OF THE FIRE CODE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, AND ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** - This is the time set aside for anyone wishing to address the City Council on items not listed in any other place on the agenda. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from talking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. However, your concerns may be referred to staff or set for discussion at a later date. Please email your public comment to the Assistant City Clerk at cityclerk@cityoflaverne.org. Your public comment will be shared with the City Council and included as part of the permanent record. If you wish to speak, email your phone number and staff will call you back. There is a 3-minute time limit on public comments.

9. **COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS** - Each Council Member may address the Council and public on matters of general information and/or concern. This is also the time for Council Members to report on conferences and/or meetings they have attended.

10. **CLOSED SESSION:**

The City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 for the following:

Conference with Labor Negotiator

Negotiators: City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager, Senior Management Analyst, and City Attorney.

Employee Organization(s): La Verne City Employees Association, La Verne Police Officers' Association, La Verne Firefighters' Association, La Verne Police Middle Management Association and all unrepresented employees.

11. **ADJOURNMENT in memory of City of La Verne Fleet Manager Bob Crawford.** Bob passed away peacefully at the age of 52 after a valiant fight against cancer. He was born on May 18, 1968, in Cleveland Ohio and moved to California when he was 12. His love of all things equipment related began with his dad, who was a truck mechanic. Bob graduated from Villa Park High School and then quickly earned a certificate in diesel and heavy truck repair leading to his first position as a fleet mechanic with the Fullerton School District in 1991. After stops outside of local government, Bob returned to the public sector as a Fleet Superintendent with the City of Burbank and as luck would have it, he was hired as the Fleet Manager in 2018 for the City of La Verne. Bob was a knowledgeable, respected, and incredibly well liked by all at the City. Away from work, Bob enjoyed spending time with his family and riding bicycles as well as motorcycles. Bob is survived by his wife Sandi of 26 years; two children, Andrew and Alison. Bob will be truly missed by those that have had the pleasure of being around him.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING of the La Verne City Council
is scheduled for Monday, April 19, 2021, at 6:30p.m.**