



CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

July 2023

City Manager's Message

The Gold Line Station continues to make progress towards the tentative station opening in 2025. On June 24th, the Gold Line Construction Authority hosted a track completion ceremony where representatives from neighboring cities, elected officials from the region, and residents from the area came together to celebrate this big step towards the rail's opening. The City continues to prepare for the La Verne Gold Line station's opening with the EIFD projects in the adjacent areas. The E and 2nd Street project marks the first EIFD project and is near completion.

We are pleased to offer numerous ways for everyone to have fun during the summer with the various offerings from the Community Services Department. The Concerts in the Park will continue throughout July and early August along with our Movie Nights at the Park. The Community Center offers spectacular classes and programs for all ages, and there has been great turn out for registering for these programs. There's still room to sign up! Call the City to learn more.

I am excited to participate in my first July 4th Celebration with the City of La Verne. We have a great line up of events including the Parade, which is aptly themed "Honoring our Past, Protecting our Future". The City's rich history continues to shape the values and missions of the City, and the parade serves as a way to honor the great community while also honoring the nation's independence day. Learn more about the great events that the City will be hosting on the Fourth of July on page 2. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Best,

Ken Domer

Ken Domer
City Manager



Picture of the Month



The City Council honored Devorah Lieberman for her 12 years of service as president of the University of La Verne and wish her well in her retirement!

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City of La Verne



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Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, July 5 @ 6:00 PM
Youth Sports Committee
City Council Chambers

Thursday, July 6 @ 6:30 PM
Joint Town Hall Meeting
245 East Bonita Avenue

Tuesday, July 11 @ 5:00 PM
Active Transportation Committee
City Council Chambers

Wednesday, July 12 @ 6:30 PM
Planning Commission Meeting
City Council Chambers

Monday, July 17 @ 6:30 PM
City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers & Via Live
Stream at cityoflaverne.org/live

Wednesday, July 19 @ 10:00 AM
Senior Advisory Committee Meeting
La Verne Community Center

Tuesday, July 25 @ 6:30 PM
Youth & Family Action Committee
Meeting
City Council Chambers

The City of La Verne has 7 committees and commissions that consist of a board of La Verne residents and delegates from the City Council. They meet to discuss specialized topics focused on the City's development and maintaining the community we all enjoy. Meetings are open to the public and we encourage resident participation.

[Click here to learn more about our committees and commissions.](#)



Upcoming Events

Fourth of July Festivities

TUESDAY JULY 4 ALL DAY

Join in the fun on Independence Day! Below are a list of activities that the City will be hosting. To see full details about the Fourth of July festivities, [click here](#).

Pancake Breakfast

Methodist Church from 6:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Breakfast tickets are \$7 per person which includes 3 pancakes and 3 sausages.



Parade

Downtown La Verne Area starting at 10:00 AM

For a detailed map of the parade route, [click here](#).



Free City Amenities

Aquatics Center from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM & Skate Park from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Join in the fun for free swim and skate!

Fireworks Show & Vendor Fair

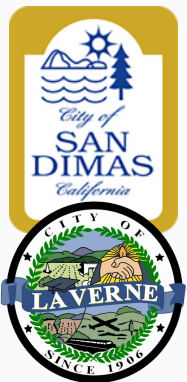
Bonita High School Stadium from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

The stadium will be filled with live music and vendors leading up to the fireworks show starting at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$10/person and can be purchased at City Hall, cash only. Tickets are \$12 at the gate. Children 4 and under are free.

Joint Town Hall with the City of San Dimas

THURSDAY, JULY 6 @ 6:30 PM

Join the City Council and City staff members from La Verne and San Dimas at Stanley Plummer Hall Community Building, 245 East Bonita Avenue, to discuss the 740 East Foothill permanent supportive housing with Supervisor Kathryn Barger. To learn more about the project, [click here](#).



Shark Week Blood Drive

THURSDAY, JULY 18 @ 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

Calling all shark week fin-atics! The American Red Cross and Discovery are partnering for Shark Week and invite everyone to dive in to help save lives! All blood donors will receive a Shark Week themed t-shirt. The blood drive will be held at City Hall and while walk-ins are available, appointments are preferred. To make an appointment, go to redcrossblood.org and use CITYLV as the sponsor code at the top right corner of the web page. "Sea" you there!

Upcoming Events

Concerts in the Park

SUNDAYS @ 6:30 PM

For over 22 years the La Verne Heritage Foundation and the City of La Verne have hosted free summer concerts at Heritage Park. Come with your own blankets and/or lawn chairs and enjoy food from the provided vendors. View the list below to see our concert schedule!

- **July 9** - Cold Duck (*Variety*)
- **July 23** - The J-Birds (*Classic Rock*)
- **August 6** - The Long Run (*Eagles Tribute Band*)



Family Night Swim

SATURDAY JULY 29 @ 4:00 PM

Aloha! The La Verne Aquatics Center will be open to the public for some family fun for a Hawaiian themed night swim. Concessions will be available for purchase throughout the event. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased at La Verne City Hall in the Community Services Department.

Movie Night at the Park

SUNDAY JULY 30 @ 8:15 PM

Watch a movie under the stars! The Community Services Department and the La Verne Police Officers Association are hosting the annual movie night at Heritage Park. Puss in Boots will be on the big screen for the family to enjoy! Call (909) 596-8700 to learn more!



National Night Out

TUESDAY AUGUST 1 @ 4:30 PM

Join the Public Safety Team in celebrating our 40th National Night Out! This event is aimed at promoting civic participation, law enforcement and community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie. More information will be posted on the City's social media platforms as we get closer to the event.



La Verne City Council

Highlights of City Council Meetings

At the June meetings, the City Council:

- Proclaimed June 2023 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQ+ Community;
- Honored University of La Verne President Devorah Lieberman for her upcoming retirement;
- Received presentations from the La Verne Fire Department regarding firework safety;
- Appropriated funds for a street and water dump truck, water quality resin changeout, and a lease agreement for printers and copiers;
- Adopted a class specification and salary for a Code Compliance Officer;
- Entered into a cooperative agreement with Los Angeles County Development Authority for CDBG funding administration;
- Adopted Ordinance No. 1116 and No. 1117 modifying ADU and SB9 codes, respectively, Ordinance 1118 amending the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District's Fiscal Policies, and Ordinance 1119 establishing Council meetings by Resolution;
- Met as the Public Finance Authority and adopted Resolution JPFA-66 to approve an easement for SoCal Gas at 2909 Arrow Highway;
- Appointed members to various City Council Committees;
- Approved the purchase of supplies for the Amherst Treatment Plant, participation in LA County's Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program, and tax sharing with the LA County Sanitation District resulting from an annexation;
- Adopted the Budget, Annual Agreements, Appropriations limit, Comprehensive Fee Schedule, and the Utility User's Tax for the 23-24 Fiscal Year;
- Approved the annual levy for Landscaping and Lighting District No. 6, 7, and 8, Community Facilities District No. 11-1, and Maintenance District 84-1M;
- Received and filed the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the FY ended 6/30/22; and
- Adjourned in honor of Father Patrick Travers to the July 17 Regular Council Meeting at 6:30PM.

To see what else was discussed in the meetings, visit the City website at cityoflaverne.org/live to watch the video feeds of prior meetings and review the recent agendas and minutes.

City Spotlight

Learn more about the City of La Verne with our monthly City Spotlight!

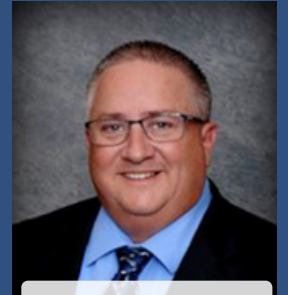
Did you know that Mainiero Square is named in honor of a former University of La Verne vice-president of finance and administration?

Dr. John "Skip" Mainiero was a life long La Verne resident whose passion for the community carried over into his service at the University of La Verne. Mainiero had brought the University back from the brink of financial collapse and formed strong relationships with many members of the La Verne community. After his passing in 1993, Mainiero Square was named in his honor.

Mainiero Square is located at the corner 3rd and D Street, near the southern end of Downtown La Verne. Stroll through the square while visiting some of La Verne's Downtown businesses!



Mayor Tim Hepburn
District 4



Mayor Pro-Tem Rick Crosby
District 2



Steve Johnson
District 1



Wendy Lau
District 5



Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita
District 3

The City in Numbers

Below are highlights of services provided by City employees in May 2023.

Public Works Department



3,240

Square feet of graffiti removed



90.951

Million gallons of water sold



26

signs replaced



297

Acres of city parks mowed



96

Customer field checks

Community Services Department



1,514

participants involved in activities this month



129

Excursion participants



1,869

Registrations for summer classes

Administration Department



1,403

Calls to the City Hall Main line



9

Public Meetings



20

Records Requests

Police Department



1,637

Calls for Service



258

Reports taken



35

Traffic Collisions



206

Homeless Calls

Fire Department



284

EMS calls



1

Fire-related call



10

Motor vehicle accidents

Community Development Department

Department



47

Solar permits issued



35

Building permits issued



58

Electrical permits issued



17

Mechanical permits issued



15

Plumbing permits issued



5

Sewer permits issued



Code Enforcement

Beginning on Monday, July 3, Code Enforcement responsibilities will shift from the Police Department to the Community Development Department (CDD). Code enforcement investigates reports of potential violations to the City's municipal code. To review La Verne's municipal code, [click here](#). Complaints can be submitted to codeenforcement@cityoflaverne.org or by calling the CDD at (909) 596-8706. A portal on the City website will be available soon for residents to submit complaints.

Summer Lunch Program

The Summer Lunch Program is sponsored by the City of La Verne's Youth and Family Action Committee and provides free lunch to the community's youth at Las Flores Park. The program is funded entirely through donations from the community. The lunch program is facilitated by the Community Services Department and offers nutritious lunches, recreational activities and crafts to children who receive free lunches during the school year. Lunches are provided weekdays from 12:00-1:00PM, June 12th through August 18th.

The Recovery Lab

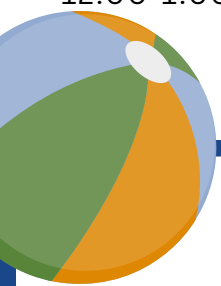
The City of La Verne is happy to welcome The Recovery Lab at 2145 Foothill Boulevard Unit A. The Recovery Lab offers post-fitness recovery treatments from workouts, injuries or anyone who wants to feel better. These treatments consist of assisted-stretching, compression, cryotherapy and more. Their goal is to keep your muscles strong and healthy during your fitness workouts and your everyday life in addition to helping you recover faster.

Comprehensive Fee Update

During the June 5 City Council Meeting, the La Verne City Council approved the annual update to the comprehensive fee schedule. Adjustments to fees are made to reflect State and local laws as well as changes to cost of service. Effective July 1, 2023, the following fees have been adjusted:

- Recycling and Refuse Fees - from \$28 to \$29.38 for 64 gallon containers and \$30.44 to \$31.94 for 96 gallon containers.
- Overnight Parking Fees - from \$3 to \$5 for daily parking permits.

To learn more about the fees the City issues and their current amounts, [click here](#).



Join in the Summer Fun!

La Verne Aquatics Center

Take a dip in the La Verne Aquatics Center at Las Flores Park! The Center provides a variety of aquatic classes, swim lessons, adult lap swim, and recreational swim offerings. Come join us at the pool on Saturday, July 29th from 4:00-7:30PM for a special evening of family fun and Hawaiian-themed swim! A cash fee of \$4.00 per person will be collected at the door.

Summer Classes & Excursions

The Community Services Department offers various excursions including a trip to Las Vegas and a Melon Tour to Tanaka Farms, swim classes for all ages, adult fitness classes including yoga and jazzercise, and much more! To see details about these programs and other offerings, review the Summer Recreation Guide ([click here](#)). Registrations are ongoing throughout the summer so you can jump in at any time!





2023 La Verne Chamber of Commerce Best of La Verne



Want to share some of your favorite places in La Verne? Submit your nominations for the La Verne Chamber of Commerce's Annual Best of La Verne Awards. With over 70 categories, residents can pick and choose which topics they would like to nominate for. Nominations are open through to Thursday, July 27 and winners will be announced on Monday, August 14. [Click here](#) to learn more!

Verdana Model Home Opening

The City of La Verne and Brandywine Homes is pleased to announce that the Verdana townhome development project on Fruit Street is now open for tours of the model homes. Potential buyers are now welcome to take a tour of the model homes to view the various layouts that will be offered. Layouts for the homes range from two to three-bedroom floor plans ranging from 1,243 to 1,618 square feet. Each townhome includes smart features, energy efficient appliances, and hand selected designer fixtures! The townhomes will be priced from the low \$600,000s and Brandywine Homes is offering a pre-qualification program with their preferred lenders for interested buyers. There will be only 50 new townhomes offered which are expected to sell out quickly, so get out there and take a tour!



Pictures Courtesy of Brandywine Homes

Los Angeles County La Verne Library

Explore LA County for FREE this Summer!

The Los Angeles County Libraries offer various ways to explore for the entire family to enjoy this summer! Those with a LA County Library card can reserve free passes to visit numerous museums throughout the county, [click here](#) to see participating museums. Residents may also visit dozens of participating state parks by borrowing a state park pass, [click here](#) to learn more.

Summer Discovery Program

Looking for ways to challenge yourself this summer? Join the Summer Discovery Program! The LA County Library offers programs for children, teens, and adults where individuals can compete with each other and help meet the County goal of 50,000 books read during the summer. [Click here](#) to learn more and sign up!

One-On-One Legal Advice

The Los Angeles County Department of Economic Opportunity has teamed up with Bet Tzedek Legal Services and Public Counsel to provide free legal services to small businesses impacted by the pandemic. Small businesses in LA County can connect with legal experts and access ongoing webinars, one-on-one counseling, and legal academics at no-cost to help businesses maintain their status, personnel, property, and revenue streams! Legal topics include commercial lease agreements, employee safety, wages, and paid leave benefits, contract negotiation, intellectual property, tax liability, business entity structure, and bankruptcy. To sign up for free legal help, small businesses can [click here](#) to get started.



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Visit bit.ly/FreeLegalSupport to apply or call 866-375-9511 for support!

Mosquito Abatement & Mosquito-Borne Disease Protection

As the days become warmer, mosquitoes become more common throughout Los Angeles County. The San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District oversees the regions mosquito abatement and presented to the La Verne City Council ways to keep mosquitos away. The best tip is to eliminate stagnant water! Look for sources around your home of standing water and tip them over. To learn more about how to repel mosquitoes visit the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District website at sgvmosquito.org. The Los Angeles County Public Health Department further stresses the importance behind covering up while in areas where mosquitoes are present, especially during dusk and dawn. Additionally, repellent can be a great way to keep mosquitoes away.

Veterans Forum with Congress Member Grace Napolitano

All residents are welcome to attend a free Veterans Forum on Saturday, August 5 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM at the Azusa California National Guard Armory, 1351 West Sierra Madre Avenue in Azusa. Individuals can meet with Veterans Affairs officials and learn about resources available for veterans. To register for the event, [click here](#).

COVID-19 Antigen Kits Available

The Los Angeles County Library has partnered with the Department of Public Health to distribute free COVID-19 tests. [Click here](#) to see participating libraries where you can pick up a test, only one per person.



Explore LA County during the Foothill Transit Summer Sale!

The Foothill Transit Summer Sale is back! Enjoy 50% off starting July 1 through September 30. Check out the sale prices below. [Click here](#) to view a map of the Foothill Transit Routes to plan your trips! Visit foothilltransit.org to learn more.



Local + Silver Streak	Single Trip	Day Pass	SALE*	10-Trip Pass	SALE*	31-Day Pass	SALE*
Adult	\$1.75	\$6	\$3	\$14	\$7	\$60	\$30
Student	\$1	\$4	\$2	\$8	\$4	\$40	\$20
Senior / Persons with Disabilities / Medicare	\$0.75	\$3	\$1.50	\$6	\$3	\$30	\$15
Commuter Express Lines 490, 493, 495, 498, 499, 699	\$5.50	-	-	\$44	\$22	\$180	\$90

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City Hall Hours

Monday through Thursday
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM



City Websites

cityoflaverne.org
lvpd.org
lavernefire.org



City Contacts

City Hall – (909) 596-8726
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Zoning Questions – (909) 596-8706
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Recreation Services – (909) 596-8700
City Weed & Tree Removal – (909) 596-8741
Community Center – (909) 596-8776
Police Department – (909) 596-1913



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Submit requests, concerns, or general inquiries here.



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