



# CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

June 2024

## City Manager's Message

Congratulations to all the upcoming graduates and students completing another year! Summer in La Verne offers multiple events for the whole family including our annual concerts and movies in the park, themed swim nights, and the Fourth of July parade and fireworks celebration. More information is on pages 2 and 3, in the Summer Recreation Guide, and online at [www.cityoflaverne.org](http://www.cityoflaverne.org).

Summer also brings the start of a new Fiscal Year for the City on July 1. The City will have a Budget Study Session on June 6 with adoption of a budget on June 17. As with many cities, the City will need to trim its budget due to rising expenses and stagnant revenue. As a full-service City, to include its own Police and Fire Department, the costs of doing business and ensuring La Verne is a safe and family-friendly community will need to be closely monitored over the next decade due to many factors, many of which will be discussed during the budget sessions as well as explained in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget book. The City will look to continue to grow its revenue base through the adoption of an Economic Development Element as part of the General Plan Update, but we will continue to face hurdles from State law regarding housing and the lack of traditional high sales tax producing retail such as vehicle dealers, regional retail centers, and hotels which generate transit occupancy tax. Stay tuned for more information and please let me know if you have questions. My goal is to make sure that City operations are transparent and understood by those we serve.

Enjoy the start of summer! Stay safe, have fun, and continue to love living in La Verne!

Best,

*Ken Domer*

Ken Domer  
City Manager

### Picture of the Month



This year's Memorial Day Ceremony was well attended, including Senator Susan Rubio and Congresswoman Grace Napolitano who spoke in honor of those who made the ultimate sacrifice to protect the nation.

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# Upcoming Meetings

## Monday, June 3 @ 8:30 AM

Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District Meeting  
Cafe Wang, 2316 D Street

## Monday, June 3 @ 5:30 PM

City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers & via Live Stream at [cityoflaverne.org/live](http://cityoflaverne.org/live)

## Tuesday, June 4 @ 9:00 AM

Development Review Committee  
City Hall

## Wednesday, June 12 @ 6:30 PM

Planning Commission Meeting  
Council Chambers

## Monday, June 17 @ 5:30 PM

City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers & via Live Stream at [cityoflaverne.org/live](http://cityoflaverne.org/live)

## Wednesday, June 19 @ 10:00 AM

Senior Advisory Committee  
Community Center

## Wednesday, June 25 @ 5:00 PM

Youth & Family Action Committee Meeting  
Community Center

The City of La Verne has numerous 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

## Senior Seminar Series

THROUGHOUT JUNE @ 9:30 AM

Every month the Community Center hosts workshops for older adults to learn more about various topics. To attend, please RSVP by calling the Community Center at (909) 596-8776. To see the seminar schedule for future months, please review the Recreation Guide.

- Wednesday, June 12: How to Reach Exercise Goals - Presented by Independence at Home
- Friday, June 21: Know the Scams, Don't be a Victim - Presented by LACDMH

## Annual Sidewalk CPR Event

THURSDAY, JUNE 6 @ 10:00 AM

Swing by the Community Center from 10 AM to 2 PM and learn from the La Verne Fire Department the proper way to execute hands-only CPR.



## Mobile Vaccination & Microchip Clinic

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 @ 5:00 PM

Join the Inland Valley Humane Society for an off-site vaccination and microchip clinic from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. Please visit [ivhssPCA.org](http://ivhssPCA.org) closer to the event date for the event location!



## Family Night Swim - Pirate Themed

SATURDAY, JUNE 29 @ 4:00 PM

The La Verne Aquatics Center will be open to the public on select Saturdays this summer! Come join us for some family fun and evening swimming! Concessions will be available for purchase. All participants are required to sign a waiver daily before use. Those under the age of 18 will need to have a parent/guardian sign a waiver before use.



# Upcoming Events

## Concerts in the Park

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30 @ 6:30 PM**

Help us kick off summer with the return of Concerts in the Park on Sunday, June 30 at 6:30 PM! Bring blankets, lawn chairs, and your appetite to listen to some music, eat some tasty treats, and relax under the stars in the warm summer air. Below are the themes for this year:

- **June 30** - 80's
- **July 14** - Reggae
- **July 28** - Country
- **August 11** - Classic Rock

## Fourth of July Festivities

**THURSDAY, JULY 4 - ALL DAY**

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST - 6:30 AM**

Swing by Methodist Church before the start of the parade for a pancake breakfast, sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 411. Breakfast will be provided from 6:30 AM to 10:30 AM and the cost includes 3 pancakes and 3 sausages.

**PARADE "50 YEARS OF HOMETOWN HEROES" - 10:00 AM**

This year's theme is "50 Years of Hometown Heroes" and the Community Grand Marshall is retired La Verne Police Chief Colleen Flores. Those interested in submitting a float for the parade must submit an [application](#) by June 20, 2024. Please contact [lvfriendsofthe4th@gmail.com](mailto:lvfriendsofthe4th@gmail.com) for more information!

### SKATE PARK

The Skate Park will be open from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please make sure to wear your safety gear!

### FREE SWIM

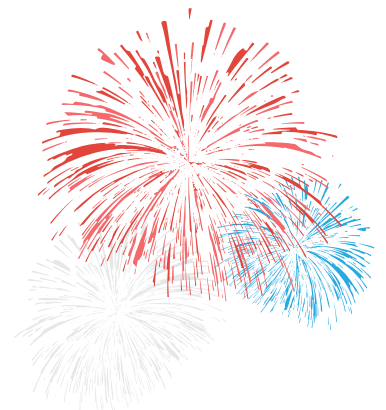
The La Verne Aquatics Center, 3175 Bolling Avenue, will be open from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM for free swim!

**FIREWORK SHOW - 6:00 PM**

Tickets go on sale starting June 3 and are available for purchase online **only**. Visit [cityoflaverne.org/fireworks](http://cityoflaverne.org/fireworks) to purchase tickets. Tickets are \$15 per person through June 27 and tickets purchased from June 28 to the day of the event will be \$20. \$1 from every ticket purchased will be donated to support the Veterans Memorial. The gates will open at 6:00 PM with the show starting at 7:00 PM. The show is expected to conclude by 9:30 PM.



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**OF JULY**



# La Verne City Council

## Highlights of City Council Meetings

At the May meetings, the City Council:

### Hosted

- A study session covering a preliminary overview of the proposed operating budget for Fiscal Year 24-25;

### Honored

- YFAC student representatives for their invaluable contributions, helping at-risk youth, Bonita High School senior Junze “Jenny” Zhang for receiving a \$50,000 Edison Scholars Award scholarship, and celebrated the Bonita High School Boys Swim and Dive Team for winning the CIF championship;
- Ramona Middle School for being recognized as a Distinguished School for Academic Excellence;

### Proclaimed

- May 2024 as Older Americans Month, Military Appreciation Month, and Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Month;
- The week of May 19 to 25 as Public Works Week;

### Approved

- The April 15 and May 6 City Council Minutes and Register of Audited Demands;
- Funding for Fire Department utility vehicle replacement, Las Flores Park Restroom Improvement Project, and the psychological evaluations contract for concealed carry applicants;
- A resolution modifying CalPERS contributions and Ordinance 24-1127 authorizing the amendment of the CalPERS contract;
- FY 24-25 Comprehensive Fee Schedule to include the technology fee on all building permits and approved parking restrictions at the Civic Center parking lot and along sections of Durward Way for 3 hour increments;
- The Maintenance District 84-1M Engineer’s Report, setting the public hearing for the June 17, 2024 City Council Meeting;
- The removal of a sidewalk at Arrow and B Street, participation in the PLHA program, the development of the Veterans Memorial Ad Hoc Committee, and the FY 24-25 annual agreement with the La Verne Chamber of Commerce;
- The FY 24-25 Old Town La Verne Business District annual report and to levy the annual assessment in the district at the June 3, 2024, City Council meeting;

### Received

- A presentation from former Council Member Dan Harden regarding the Veterans Hall Memorial Statues; and
- And filed the Treasurer’s Report for quarter ending March 31, 2024, and the Police Department Utilization and Staffing Study.

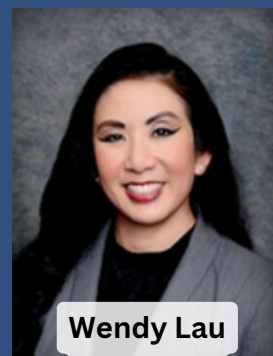
To see what else was discussed in the meetings, visit the City website at [cityoflaverne.org/live](http://cityoflaverne.org/live) to watch the video feeds of prior meetings and review the recent agendas and minutes.



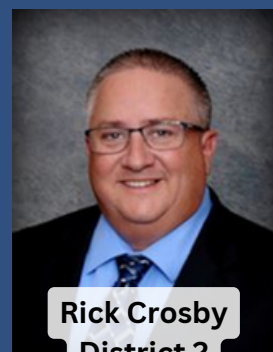
**Mayor Tim Hepburn**  
District 4



**Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Johnson**  
District 1



**Wendy Lau**  
District 5



**Rick Crosby**  
District 2



**Meshal "Kash" Kashifalghita**  
District 3

# The City in Numbers

Below are highlights of services provided by City employees in April 2024.

## Public Works Department



**1,000**

Square feet of graffiti removed



**2.9**

Thousand tons of materials collected by

Waste Management



**79.6**

Million gallons of water sold



**297**

Acres of city parks mowed



**161**

Customer field checks

## Community Services Department



**1,401**

Participants involved in activities this month



**60**

Trail Trekkers Participants



**85**

Sewing Class Participants

## Administration Department



**1,177**

Calls to the City Hall Main line



**7**

Public Meetings



**14**

Records Requests

## Police Department



**1,479**

Calls for Service



**216**

Reports taken



**40**

Traffic Collisions



**108**

Homeless Calls

## Fire Department



**272**

EMS calls



**4**

Fire-related calls



**14**

Motor vehicle accidents

## Community Development Department

### Department



**16**

Solar permits issued



**76**

Building permits issued



**21**

Electrical permits issued



**14**

Mechanical permits issued



**10**

Plumbing permits issued



**41**

Code Enforcement cases filed



**2**

ADU Permits issued



## Vacation Preschool & Me Summer Sessions

The Vacation Playschool and Parent & Me summer sessions will begin the week of June 17. Playschool classes will be offered at Veterans Hall and Oak Mesa on Monday, Wednesday and Friday or Tuesday and Thursday mornings, from 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM. Parent & Me classes are from 9:15 AM - 11:00 AM at Veterans Hall and will be held on Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday. Registration is currently open for both programs and spots are still available!

## New In Town: HOTWORX

HOTWORX is now officially open! They are still offering discounted memberships – go to <https://www.hotworx.net/studio/la-verne#subscription-form-sec> and fill in the form to get more information. Work outs are available all day with their security system, and the saunas are so good you'll only need to work out for 15 minutes. Check them out!



## Summer Recreation Guide Available

Stay up-to-date with special events, activities and classes this summer! The Summer 2024 Recreation Guide has been released and can now be viewed on the City website. Physical copies have been mailed to all La Verne households and are available at City Hall. Click on the Recreation Guide below to jump in!



## Los Angeles County La Verne Library

Swing by the La Verne library for upcoming events and to access resources! *Advanced registration is required for events. Please visit the [Los Angeles County La Verne Library website](#) to learn more!*

### DIY Sensory Cube

**FRIDAY, JUNE 21 @ 4:00 PM**

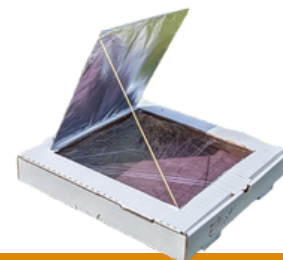
Have fun with your toddler this summer as they explore their sense of touch using a Sensory Cube. Toddlers will explore textures and create their own sensory cube to explore at home. For ages 2 – 4 with their parent and caregiver.



### Make a Solar Oven

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22 @ 1:00 PM**

Learn about solar energy and make your own solar oven to melt and cook items without electricity. For ages 10 – 18.



## Regional Broadband Study - San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments would like to ensure that everyone in the San Gabriel Valley has access to reliable and high-speed internet services. To help achieve this, the SGVCOG is conducting a comprehensive study of internet availability at locations all across the region. This study holds the key to identifying the broadband requirements and potential avenues for expanding connectivity. To learn more about the current status of broadband in the San Gabriel Valley, they are conducting a survey and would like your feedback! Visit their webpage at [sgvcog.org/broadband](http://sgvcog.org/broadband) to partake in the survey and learn more.



## Student Wellness with Tri City Mental Health Authority

Tri-City Mental Health, through grant funding from the Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) project, is hosting a monthly student wellness series for parents, caregivers, supportive adults, teachers and youth. Join us on the third Thursday of each month at 4:00 PM for valuable tips and resources on how adults can better support youth mental health. This series is offered virtually and is open to educators, service providers, parents, caregivers and the general public. Visit [tricitymhs.org](http://tricitymhs.org) to learn more.



### City Hall Hours

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



### City Websites

[cityoflaverne.org](http://cityoflaverne.org)  
[lvpd.org](http://lvpd.org)  
[lavernefire.org](http://lavernefire.org)

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### City Contacts

City Hall – (909) 596-8726  
Graffiti Removal – (909) 596-8787  
Utility Bill Questions – (909) 596-8744  
Zoning Questions – (909) 596-8706  
Passport Services – (909) 596-8700  
Recreation Services – (909) 596-8700  
City Weed & Tree Removal – (909) 596-8741  
Community Center – (909) 596-8776  
Police Department – (909) 596-1913



### Quick Links to City Website

City Council Meeting Agenda and Minutes  
Public Records Request  
Utility Bill Payments  
Building Permits  
Business License Process  
Event Calendar  
Program Registration



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Submit requests, concerns, or general inquiries here.



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