



CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

July 2024

City Manager's Message

Summer is officially here, and it's one of the hottest starts we've ever seen! The City is excited to provide cooling spaces for everyone to enjoy. Our Aquatic Center is the perfect place to take a refreshing plunge and beat the heat. Additionally, the Community Center offers various programs throughout the week where you can enjoy the air conditioning and participate in activities. During extreme heat events, the Community Center may serve as a cooling center, providing a safe and cool space for residents. For more information about the Community Center and our programs, please call 909-596-8700.

July is packed with fun activities for the whole family! We eagerly anticipate our Fourth of July celebrations, which include events throughout the entire day. Don't miss our annual concerts and movies in the park at Heritage Park. For more details, check out pages 2 and 3 of this newsletter.

As we navigate through this dry, hot summer, it's crucial to take proactive measures against potential wildfires. While we all want to celebrate the Fourth of July with enthusiasm, please leave the fireworks to the professionals. Additionally, take time to examine your home for fire hazards and address any issues to prevent fires. Pay special attention to fire-prone areas like the dryer, stove, fireplace, and electrical outlets. To learn more, please visit the Fire Department website at lavernefire.org/fire-safety-tips/

Stay cool, stay safe, and enjoy the summer!

Best,

Ken Domer

Ken Domer
City Manager

Picture of the Month



The City celebrated the re-opening of the Las Flores Aquatic Center, just in time for the summer programs. Check out the summer recreation guide to see our ongoing programs!

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Upcoming Meetings

Monday, July 1 @ 5:30 PM

City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers & via Live Stream at cityoflaverne.org/live

Tuesday, July 2 @ 9:00 AM

Development Review Committee
City Hall

Tuesday, July 9 @ 5:00 PM

Active Transportation Committee
City Hall

Wednesday, July 10 @ 6:00 PM

Youth Sports Committee
City Hall

Wednesday, July 10 @ 6:30 PM

Planning Commission Meeting
Council Chambers

Monday, July 15 @ 5:30 PM

City Council Meeting - Pending Cancellation
City Council Chambers & via Live Stream at cityoflaverne.org/live

Wednesday, July 23 @ 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

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. Please contact 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 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.



Upcoming Events

Concerts in the Park

SUNDAYS @ 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:

- **July 14** - Reggae
- **July 28** - Country
- **August 11** - Classic Rock



Red Cross Blood Drive

TUESDAY, JULY 16 @ 9:00 AM

Let's come together to support the American Red Cross blood program. Schedule your appointment today at RedCrossBlood.org and enter code citylv. Walk-ins may be available but are not guaranteed.



Movie Night at the Park

SUNDAY, JULY 21 @ 8:15 PM

Join us at Heritage Park for the annual Movie Night at the Park series! Movies begin at approximately 8:15 PM and are presented by the Community Services Department alongside the La Verne Police Officers Association.

Family Swim Night - Hawaiian Themed

SATURDAY, JULY 27 @ 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 of the pool. Those under the age of 18 will need to have a parent/guardian sign a waiver before use.



Veterans Resource Center

A Veterans Service Officer will be onsite at the Community Center, 3680 D Street, on Mondays from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM to provide assistance to veterans and their families in preparing and submitting claims, as well as representing claimants before the federal, state and local agencies providing veterans benefits. Meetings are done by appointment or walk in. To schedule an appointment, please call (909) 596-8776.



La Verne City Council

Highlights of City Council Meetings

At the June meetings, the City Council:

Hosted

- A study session covering the draft fiscal year 2024-2025 budget broken down by department;
- public hearings for LLMD 7 and 8, and Maintenance District 84-1M, and adopted resolutions approving the annual levy per parcel in these districts;
- public hearings for LLMD 6 Zones 4-1 and 4-2 and, based on ballots received through the Proposition 218 process, approved the proposed increase and annual CIP increase for Zone 4-1, and rejected the proposal for Zone 4-2;

Honored

- Mount San Antonio College's new President, Dr. Martha Garcia;
- CERT member and community volunteer Robert Kirst;

Proclaimed

- June 2024 as Pride Month, celebrating the resilience of the LGBTQ+ community;

Approved

- The May 20 and June 3 City Council Minutes and Register of Audited Demands;
- The multi-year agreement with Nobel Systems for GIS services and online permitting, Senate Bill 1 Road Repair list for fiscal year 2024-2025;
- Contracts for City-wide public right of way herbicide spraying, landscape maintenance and fuel modification services in LLMDs, parking enforcement, EMT-Basic and Paramedic training with UCLA Center for Prehospital Care, and Public Works services annual agreements;
- The Fiscal Year 2024-25 Operating Budget and the Appropriations Limit;
- Annual levies for Community Facilities Districts No. 11-1 and No. 90-1;
- Ordinance 24-1127, amending the CalPERS contract related to employee cost share percentages;

Placed on First Reading

- an ordinance regarding refuse container removal from public rights-of-way;

Directed

- City staff to develop an outdoor dining policy by January 31, 2025 and extend the outdoor patio permit for Cafe Wang to June 30, 2025;

Appropriated Funds

- For the award of contract to repave asphalt, replace signage and striping, and school zone crosswalk and curb enhancements along Grove Street, Hayes King Neighborhood, and Church of the Brethren parking lot; and

Affirmed

- the Old Town La Verne Business Improvement District annual report and levied assessments for fiscal year 2024-2025.

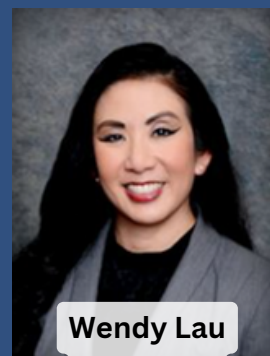
To see what else was discussed in the meetings, visit the City website at cityoflaverne.org/live to watch the video feeds of prior meetings and review the recent agendas and minutes.



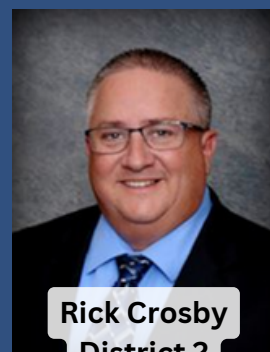
Mayor Tim Hepburn
District 4



Mayor Pro-Tem
Steve Johnson
District 1



Wendy Lau
District 5



Rick Crosby
District 2



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District 3

The City in Numbers

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

Public Works Department



1,000

Square feet of graffiti removed



2.6

Thousand tons of materials collected by

Waste Management



104.8

Million gallons of water sold



297

Acres of city parks mowed



115

Customer field checks

Community Services Department



1,212

Participants involved in activities this month



46

Children's Dance Participants



85

Sewing Class Participants

Administration Department



1,172

Calls to the City Hall Main line



7

Public Meetings



13

Records Requests

Police Department



1,504

Calls for Service



211

Reports taken



36

Traffic Collisions



127

Homeless Calls

Fire Department



273

EMS calls



1

Fire-related call



13

Motor vehicle accidents

Community Development Department

Department



19

Solar permits issued



69

Building permits issued



31

Electrical permits issued



14

Mechanical permits issued



18

Plumbing permits issued



69

Code Enforcement cases filed



3

ADU Permits issued

Fireworks Safety Reminder

As we approach the festive season, it's a time for celebration, joy, and togetherness. Fireworks displays are a popular tradition that light up the sky with spectacular colors and patterns, bringing communities together in awe and excitement. However, it's crucial to remember that fireworks, while beautiful, can also be extremely dangerous if not handled properly. Leave fireworks to the professionals because they are trained to handle them safely, minimizing risks and adhering to legal and environmental regulations. Professional displays offer a higher quality, safer, and more environmentally friendly experience than consumer-grade fireworks.

Daiso Now Open!

Daiso held their Grand Opening on Saturday, June 15. This 50-year-old company offers an extensive range of products including Japanese inspired home décor, stationery, food and more at affordable prices. They are located at 1369 Foothill Blvd. in the Sprouts center. Welcome to La Verne, Daiso!



Chief Nigg in Sacramento

La Verne Fire Chief Nigg visited Sacramento to advocate in support of Assembly Bill 2330 and oppose Senate Bill 610, with the focus on streamlining wildfire protections to further protect the La Verne community. While in Sacramento, Chief also met with elected officials who represent the City of La Verne, advocating for funding and needed services.



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!*

July Events

The library has a packed event calendar for the month of July for everyone to enjoy! On Fridays from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM, Smarty Pants Storytime helps children ages 2 to 5 prep for school. On select Saturdays from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, the library hosts STEAM programs for youth ages 10 to 18. On select Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, the library has art class for adults. Outside of these programs, there is even more to explore! Visit their website to learn more.

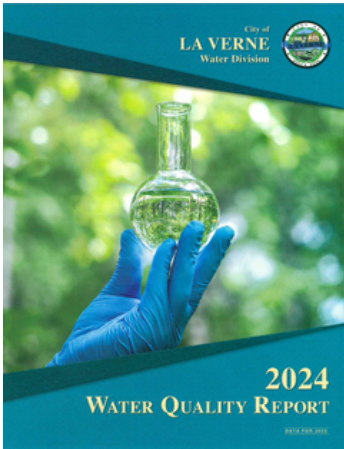
Library Manager George May Retiring

After 23 years with the La Verne Library, George enters his final chapter of life, retirement! George has served as an amazing leader, overseeing the library throughout challenging times, including the COVID-19 pandemic, and expanded key programs making the library what it is today. Wish George a happy retirement before his final day in late July!



Chamber of Commerce Best of La Verne 2024

Highlight your favorite businesses in La Verne! The Chamber is hosting their annual Best of La Verne campaign, from July 4 through August 12. From restaurants to specialized services, there are numerous categories to pick from to shout out your favorite spots! Visit the Chamber website at bestoflaverne.voterfly.com



2024 Water Quality Reports

Every year, the City releases its Water Quality Report, also known as the Consumer Confidence Report, which covers the sources of the water supply, background information on potential water contaminants, and a summary of the findings for La Verne's water. The full report will be posted on the City website starting July 1, 2024. To learn more, please visit cityoflaverne.org/ccr

Strike Team Deployment

Fire season is off to a very active start and LVFD remains an active contributor to the California Master Mutual Aid system. LVFD Engine 7463 has deployed and returned from the "Post Fire" in Kern County as part of a multi-agency response. During the deployment, the crews were assigned to 24 hour shifts where they fought fire, put in several hundred feet of progressive hoselays, and assisted in mop up operations. No injuries were reported for our firefighters and our Type III Engine did not sustain any damage other than a tire that was replaced on the incident.



Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Adopted

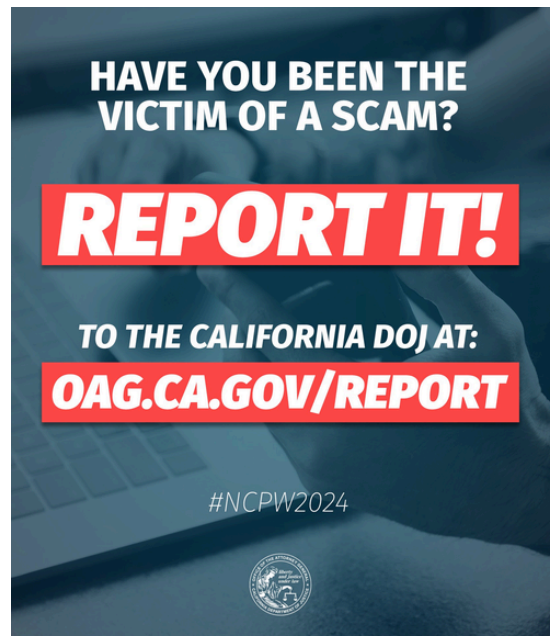
The City Council adopted the operating budget for fiscal year 2024-25, which begins on July 1, 2024. Our finance team worked tirelessly with City departments over the past five months to ensure the budget meets every department's needs as they prepare to deliver a variety of services to our community this year. This collaborative effort has made us more effective financial managers of our resources and taxpayer money. This budget upholds our commitment to high-quality service and maintaining our beautiful City. Click on the image to review the adopted budget!

Stay Safe From Potential Scams

The California Department of Justice recently released some tricks and tips to stay safe from telephone and online scams. With scams on the rise, it is important to take caution and question information provided. Here are a few tips:

- **Do not click on suspicious links** - Instead, try to find the information from a second source by searching online.
- **Fact check information** - Call the agency to verify information that may be a scam.
- **Do not answer unknown phone numbers** - Let phone calls from unfamiliar numbers go to voicemail. They often are illegal robocalls.

To learn more, visit the [DOJ website](#).



Listos California

Are you prepared for potential disasters? Check out Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) website www.listoscalifornia.org to see what steps you can take to prepare against potential wildfires, earthquakes, and floods.



City Hall Hours

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



City Websites

cityoflaverne.org
lvpd.org
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



24-Hour City Of La Verne

Submit requests, concerns, or general inquiries here.



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