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West Covina can have brighter days

Like many cities, West Covina is struggling with fiscal problems. Those problems are compounded by the state, from the elimination of redevelopment agencies, over-regulation and pension obligations.

But we can be cautiously optimistic. Growth of the housing and commercial sectors will bring in badly-needed revenue.

The City of West Covina and its residents have a chance to make sound decisions about its future. They will have to weigh the impact of development and high-density housing. The completion of the City's General Plan is vital to help define the city's future.

Large industrial employers have a slim chance of returning to the city. If we want revenue for services, we will need to collaborate with neighboring cities to build a healthy regional economy.

It is key to restore sound leadership in City Hall. We must vet our potential leaders to avoid a continued history of wasteful litigation and mismanagement. West Covina has challenges. As informed citizens, we must strive to meet and overcome those challenges.

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