



City Manager's Weekly Report

For the Week Ending Thursday, October 27, 2011

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TO: The Honorable City Council

DATE: October 27, 2011

FROM: Jose E. Pulido, City Manager

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Meeting with County Supervisor Michael Antonovich

City officials met yesterday with County Supervisor Michael Antonovich to review past year accomplishments and future opportunities for partnerships.

Discussion on accomplishments included the new senior lunch program at Live Oak Park, the Temple City (County) library renovation and art mural, and redesign of the Callita/Sultana intersection at Rosemead Blvd.

Topics also focused on immediate needs including construction coordination for the upcoming Rosemead Blvd. enhancement project, expansion of the Temple City farmer's market, and joint funding opportunities for new bikeways (citywide and in adjacent unincorporated areas).

Supervisor Antonovich responded to the needs by ensuring timely interagency reviews for the upcoming roadway project, moving forward with a use agreement to expand the market (to the County library parking lot), and determining whether available State/County bond proceeds can be used for new bikeways and critical roadway improvements.

Updates on these initiatives will be provided in subsequent reports. A copy of the presentation can be downloaded [here](#) or obtained from City Hall.

Update: Buxton Retail Findings

Temple City Gateway Project. Buxton findings are being used to recruit national retailers to the Gateway Project at Las Tunas and Rosemead.

The project's leasing team is using the findings to fill two restaurant pads and a large retail space. Negotiations are underway with prospective tenants, but because of retail confidentiality agreements, names cannot be released until a lease is executed.

Buxton findings helped attract Chipotle Mexican Grill to the development.

Franchise Opportunities along Las Tunas. Discussions with Buxton representatives revealed that the Las Tunas corridor has great potential for franchise businesses because of critical mass and traffic counts.

Further analyses, however, concluded that because of obsolete building structures and current public parking arrangements, the ability to attract franchisees is limited. This is further complicated by strict corporate/franchise requirements, e.g. specific parking requirements, uniform sign and corporate branding standards, and tall ceiling heights for menu boards.

Efforts are underway to address parking issues through a downtown parking master plan. The development of a franchisee incentives program is scheduled for next year and may include sales tax rebates, low interest loans, and façade improvement grants.

Retail Site Assessment. Community members can get a better understanding of the city's retail opportunities by [downloading](#) an assessment completed by Buxton. The assessment examines how well the retail needs of Temple City are being met, and uncovers unmet demand and retail opportunity.

A high-level review of the assessment indicates that, based on 12 major store types, the city is deficient in all but one type (electronics and appliance stores). This means that local retail demand is high, and that residents are shopping outside of Temple City – especially for building materials and general merchandise.

Weekly Update: Rosemead Blvd. Enhancement Project

Presentation materials from the October 6 community workshop are now [online](#). Items include the meeting video, proposed concepts and renderings, and construction detail documents.

Staff will meet next week with Athens Disposal to discuss service delivery during and after roadway construction.

City Calendar: Week of October 30

More info: (626) 285-2171.

October 31: Halloween Carnival, 6:30 p.m., Live Oak Park

Provides adults and children with a safe, fun-filled alternative to Trick-or-Treating. Activities include carnival games, toy raffles, candy prizes and a magic show. Free.

Session 2 Begins for STARS Club

Offers an after-school program for first through sixth graders. Program operates weekdays through December 16 from 2:30 to 6 p.m. at the following schools: Cloverly, Longden, Emperor and Cleminson. Session cost is \$120 per child. For more info and to register, call (626) 285-2171, ext. 2360.

November 1: City Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers

Up for consideration: relaxing overnight parking restrictions for the upcoming holiday season.

November 3: Flu Clinic, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., Live Oak Park Community Center
Free flu shots will be administered to those without health insurance, or whose health care provider does not offer flu vaccines. Those with severe egg allergies should check with their doctor first before getting vaccinated.

Senior Movie, 12:30 p.m., Live Oak Park Community Center
Bring your favorite snack and catch a free screening of *Saving Private Ryan*, an American war film set during the invasion of Normandy (World War II). Rated R.

November 5: Start of Emergency Response Trainings, 9:30 a.m., Council Chambers
Residents can learn how to take care of themselves and their families in the event of an emergency or natural disaster. Trainings are free and registration is required. [Click here](#) for more information or call (626) 285-2171, ext. 2333.

November 6: Daylight Savings Time Ends at 2 a.m.
Turn your clocks back one hour to Standard Time.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION

Selected Case Activity

In order to show the increased amount of work done by the Community Preservation Division, this section highlights one or two cases (residential and commercial) that, through the diligent efforts of community preservation staff, brought properties into compliance. Highlighted cases are those that exhibit negative impacts to neighborhoods and business corridors through their appearance and/or dilapidated conditions. For example:

Residential Case Log: 6053 Oak Ave.

August 18: A code compliance notice for issued for maintaining a pedestrian way, which due to improper construction, posed a pedestrian hazard (TCMC 4230 Y).

October 20: A follow-up inspection indicated the resident had removed the pavers and replanted the area with grass.



Before: Inadequately installed/maintained pavers.

After: Adequate landscaping after paver removal.

Commercial Case Log: 5417-5423 & 5429 Rosemead Blvd.

August 3: A violation was issued to a business for operating without a license (TCMC 5130).

Subsequent to issuing the violation, the business owner was required to submit (for business operations) an application for a conditional use permit (CUP) and zone variance (ZV). As part of that process, the City required the business owner to make physical site improvements including the trimming of trees, restriping of the parking lot, and repainting of the business façade.

October 4: Upon learning of the requirement to repaint the façade at one specific unit, the property manager decided to repaint the entire complex. A follow-up inspection indicated that all applicable permits were obtained and provisions of the CUP and ZV met.



Before: Faded parking stalls and dilapidated asphalt.

After: Repainted parking stalls and asphalt.



Before: Dilapidated façade.



After: Façade repainted.



Before: Overgrown trees in/around shopping center.



After: Trees trimmed and signage visible.

PLANNING DIVISION

New Business Activity: Week of October 23

The following lists new and upcoming businesses assisted by City staff. Residents are encouraged to visit and support these and all Temple City businesses.

Pending Business: Alpha Science Education Institute
 9463 Las Tunas Dr.
 Type: Private School

Owner Helen Hsu- "Temple City is a safe community where residents carry a high value for education."

Business Assistance & Career Opportunity Fair

Last week, City staff participated in the Small Business Assistance and Career Opportunity Fair hosted by Congressman Adam Schiff. Several hundred business owners and job seekers attended the event.

The City's booth provided information on opening a business in Temple City, and accepted applications for current city job openings. The booth also highlighted notable projects including the recently completed bicycle master plan, and upcoming Gateway and Rosemead Blvd. projects.



City staffer Jennifer Venters with Congressman Adam Schiff.

PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

Neighborhood Watch Meeting: Area 9

The City and Sheriff's Department hosted a neighborhood watch meeting last Friday for Area 9, which includes the neighborhoods bound by Olive St., Baldwin Ave., Lower Azusa Rd. and Temple City Blvd.

Nearly 80 residents attended the meeting to discuss crime trends, home security improvements, code enforcement and emergency preparedness.



Below are a few of the comments received:

What part of the meeting was important to you?

"Problems to look out for in our city. Getting to know neighbors and Sheriff's."

"Hearing the type of crimes taking place. City news. City Manager's Report."

"All of it."

Additional Comments:

“Presentation was informative and very well done.

“The number of officers at the meeting showed how important this type of program is.”

“Very good meeting/informative.”

Neighborhood watch meetings will not be held in November and December because of the upcoming holiday season. The monthly meetings will resume in January.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Fall Festival & Classic Car Show

Last Saturday, Temple City Park welcomed over 800 visitors at the annual Fall Festival and Classic Car Show. A special thank you goes to those who made the day enjoyable including the Temple City High School Vocal Arts Boosters and Santa Anita A Car Club. The City would also like to extend a special thank you to Casa Del Rey, The Hat and Temple City Healthcare Partners for their donations to the car show.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Agenda Forecast
2. Crime Blotter
3. Issued Yard Sale Permits

AGENDA PLANNING CALENDAR

November 1, 2011 City Council/CRA Meeting

Proclaiming Key Club Week November 7-11, 2011

First Quarter Financial Reports and Budget Amendments

Award of Contract with Avant Garde (Rosemead Blvd. Project)

Consideration of Relaxing Overnight Parking Restrictions (During the Holiday Season)

Authorization of Caltrans Submittals for the Rosemead Blvd. Project

Ordinance Complying with Voluntary Redevelopment Program

November 15, 2011 City Council/CRA Meeting

First Reading of Ordinance – Budget Reserve Policy Ordinance

First Reading of Ordinance – Muni Code Amendment – Administrative Citations
and Shopping Cart Regulations

First Reading of Ordinance – Muni Code Amendment – Public Nuisance Regulations

Measure R Budget Amendment

Consideration of Co-Sponsorship for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life

City Work Plan Quarterly Progress Report

Chamber of Commerce Monthly Report

CRIME BLOTTER: 10/16/11 – 10/22/11

*Provided by the Temple City Public Safety Division
Prepared by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Temple Station*

10-17-11

- Deputies arrested a MW/44 at 6:30PM for Receiving Stolen Property, at Santa Anita Av/Live Oak Av. The suspect was stopped for vehicle code violations on his bicycle. The suspect was on probation for weapons charges and possessed a radio receiver, he knew was stolen. The suspect is a resident of the city of El Monte.
- Deputies arrested a MH/31 at 5:00PM for Forgery of a Public Seal, Use of False Documents to Conceal Alien Status and Unlicensed Driver, at Persimmon Av/Lower Azusa Rd. Deputies stopped the suspect for vehicle code violations. The suspect is an illegal alien and never possessed a driver's license or any other form of valid identification. The suspect possessed a fictitious resident alien card and social security card, he purchased from a guy on the street. The suspect is a resident of the city of Temple City.
- A Vandalism occurred between 11:00PM-4:00AM in the 5800 block of Primrose Av. The victim said someone scratched the passenger side corner panel of his parked vehicle. There were no witnesses or video of the incident.
- A Vehicle Burglary occurred at 12:40PM in the 5900 block of Oak Av. The victim parked her vehicle on the public street and went to the post office. When she returned to her vehicle, she saw her front passenger window was smashed and her purse was stolen. There were no witnesses or video of the incident.
- A Residential Burglary occurred b/t 7:50AM-3:40PM in the 9900 block of Bogue St. The victim arrived home to find her front door forced open and items stolen from her home. There were no witnesses or video of the incident.

10-18-11

- A Petty Theft occurred at 4:00PM in the 9800 block of Wendon St. The victim said someone entered his unlocked detached garage and stole his unlocked bicycle. There were no witnesses or video surveillance.

10-19-11

- A Commercial Burglary occurred b/t 2:00AM- 3:00AM, in the 6400 block of Rosemead Bl. The victim arrived at his place of business and found the side door pried open. He additionally discovered money missing from the cash register and safe. There was video of the theft.

ATTACHMENT 2

- A Residential Burglary occurred between 9:00AM-3:00PM, in the 5100 block of Santa Anita Av. The victim arrived home to find her front door and rear sliding glass door open with items stolen from inside of her residence. There were no witnesses or video surveillance of the incident.
- A Vehicle Burglary occurred at 3:00PM, in the 10000 block of Lynrose St. The victim said someone broke into his locked work truck and stole his tools. There were no witnesses or video surveillance of the incident.
- An Assault with a Deadly Weapon occurred at 8:24AM, in the 6100 Loma Av. The victim was standing in the street holding his granddaughter, as his wife backed out of their driveway. The suspect pulled up to the victim and made a derogatory comment. The suspect accelerated and nearly struck the victim and his granddaughter. The suspect is outstanding and this is an ongoing investigation. There were several witnesses.

10-20-11

- Deputies arrested a MH/41 at 8:30PM for Drinking Upon a Public Street at Rosemead Bl/Las Tunas Dr. The suspect is a resident of the city of Los Angeles.
- A Grand Theft occurred at 12:30PM in the 9800 block of Flaherty St. The elderly victim was tricked into wiring money to the Dominican Republic, believing she was helping her grandson in the military. She later discovered her grandson in the military is stationed in Texas, and never requested her to wire money.
- A Vehicle Burglary occurred between 3:30-3:40PM in the 5900 block of Oak Av. The victim parked her vehicle and entered the post office. When she returned, she found her front passenger window smashed and her purse stolen. There were no witnesses or video surveillance of the incident.
- A Suspicious Circumstances Elder Abuse occurred in the 10000 block of Olive St. Deputies responded to Arcadia Methodist Hospital regarding an elderly female in the Intensive Care Unit. The female was possibly the victim of severe medical neglect. This is an ongoing investigation.
- A Lewd Acts Upon a Child occurred in the 5000 block of Kaufman Av. The minor victim said a male adult touched her inappropriately. The victim was examined by a physician. This is an ongoing investigation and will be handled by the Special Victims Bureau.

10-21-11

- A Vandalism occurred sometime between a several day period, in the 9600 block of Las Tunas Dr. The victim found the rear window of his business cracked with an unknown object. There were no witnesses or video surveillance of the incident.

10-22-11

- A Domestic Violence occurred at 10:00PM, at La Rosa Dr/ Temple City Bl. The suspect and victim were arguing in their vehicle, as they were stopped for a red light. The suspect punched the victim one time in the right eye and once in the back of the head. The suspect then dropped the victim off at home and left the location. The suspect is outstanding and this is an ongoing investigation. The suspect is a resident of the city of El Monte.
- Deputies arrested a MA/30 at 3:20AM for Driving Under the Influence, Hit & Run, and Driving with a Suspended License, at Broadway Av/Temple City Bl. Deputies responded to a hit and run traffic collision. The suspect struck a parked vehicle and continued driving until his vehicle was inoperable. The suspect displayed the signs and symptoms of a person under the influence of alcohol. The suspect is a resident of the city of Arcadia.



MEMORANDUM

TO: CITY MANAGER

DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2011

FROM: SANDRA SCOTT, CUSTOMER SVC REP.

SUBJECT: YARD SALE PERMITS ISSUED: OCT. 28-30, 2011

Yard Sale Address	Date
4851 Alessandro Ave	10/29 & 10/30
5202 Degas Ave	10/29
10618 Hallwood Dr	10/29 & 10/30
6355 Oak Ave #6	10/28 & 10/29
10360 Olive St	10/29 & 10/30
5548 Pal Mal Ave	10/29
5403 Parmeton Ave	10/29 & 10/30