

**CITY COUNCIL
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 11, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wong called the City Council Special Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 5938 Kauffman Avenue, Temple City.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmember-Chavez, Yu, Vizcarra, Wong

ABSENT: Councilmember-None

ALSO PRESENT: Interim City Manager/Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs, City Clerk Flandrick, Interim City Attorney Vail

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR ROGER CHANDLER TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL FOR METRO'S SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SERVICE SECTOR

Interim City Manager Burroughs stated the City of Arcadia requested the Council nominate Arcadia Councilmember Roger Chandler as a member of the Governance Council for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) San Gabriel Valley Service Sector. Temple City is one of a cluster of three cities within the San Gabriel Valley Service Sector and Arcadia was the only City that asked for support of a nomination.

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra stated he was contacted by Mr. Chandler for the nomination who assured him he would look out for the interests of Temple City.

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra moved to authorize letter of support for Roger Chandler's nomination as a member of the Governance Council for Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Sector, seconded by Councilmember Yu and unanimously carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO FILL COUNCIL VACANCY

Interim City Manager Burroughs stated the City Council, at their meeting of June 2, 2009, approved filling the seat on the City Council by appointment, due to the resignation of David Capra. Each Councilmember agreed to nominate up to two Council nominees. Those nominees were present to provide a statement and answer questions of Council.

Interim City Attorney Vail reviewed his recommended procedure for this open process, stating each Councilmember announce their nominee(s), the nominees each provide their statement, Interim City Manager Burroughs ask questions to ascertain eligibility and then Council may deliberate and make a decision. There is also an opportunity for the public to comment. At the end of deliberation, a motion can be made for appointment which must receive three votes for approval.

Councilmember Yu nominated Cynthia Sternquist and Carl Blum.

Councilmember Chavez nominated Thomas DeMarco and Carl Blum.

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra nominated Cynthia Sternquist.

Mayor Wong nominated Dan Arrighi.

Councilmember Yu moved to close the nominations, seconded by Councilmember Chavez and unanimously carried.

Each nominee was deemed qualified and in turn provided a statement and answered questions of Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra moved to qualify all nominees for appointment to the City Council, seconded by Councilmember Chavez and unanimously carried.

Mayor Wong asked for public comments.

Matthew Wong, Temple City resident, encouraged the Council to appoint someone of gender diversity and based on experience and community involvement.

Mary Kokayko, Temple City resident, recommended Cynthia Sternquist as someone who was not involved in the Piazza, lost a previous Council election by only twenty votes, and is neutral.

Michael Koon, Temple City resident, said he has not heard any discussion about moral integrity and asked Council, on behalf of the citizens and with the current situation, to look at the moral compass of this individual.

RECESS/RECONVENE

The City Council meeting was recessed at 8:23 p.m. and reconvened at 8:33 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

The City Council discussed the qualifications of the nominees.

Councilmember Chavez moved to nominate Thomas DeMarco. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra moved to nominate Cynthia Sternquist, seconded by Councilmember Yu and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmember-Yu, Vizcarra, Wong
NOES:	Councilmember-Chavez
ABSENT:	Councilmember-None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember-None

Mayor Pro Tem Vizcarra moved to adopt Resolution No. 09-4916, a RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING CYNTHIA STERNQUIST TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE SEAT DEEMED VACANT DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF DAVID CAPRA, seconded by Councilmember Yu and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Councilmember-Yu, Vizcarra, Wong
NOES:	Councilmember-Chavez
ABSENT:	Councilmember-None
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember-None

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dan Arrighi offered congratulations to Ms. Sternquist and to the Council for a difficult decision.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council Special Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk