

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 15, 2020 – 7:30 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman Vance called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL** – Commissioner Baroldi, Haddad, Tarin, Rosso, Vance

PRESENT: Commissioner – Baroldi, Haddad, Tarin, Rosso, Vance

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto, Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson, and Parks and Recreation Secretary Venters

Commissioner Haddad moved to excuse Vice-Chairman Rosso for due cause. Seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner – Baroldi, Haddad, Tarin, Vance
NOES: Commissioner – None
ABSENT: Commissioner – Rosso
ABSTAIN: Commissioner – None

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA** - None
- 5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Commissioner Haddad moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Commissioner Tarin and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner – Baroldi, Haddad, Tarin, Vance
NOES: Commissioner – None
ABSENT: Commissioner – Rosso
ABSTAIN: Commissioner – None

Recommendation: approve items **A - B** per recommendations

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Approved.

B. MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Action: Approved.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE ON AGING UPDATE

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson stated that the next Committee on Aging meeting will be held on January 28, 2020 at the Annex building at Live Oak Park at 6:30 p.m. Items included for discussion are goals for 2020, a report card detailing the accomplishments of the Committee, and creating a senior services logo.

B. PRIMROSE PARK UPDATE

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the State of California should notify the City regarding grant award qualification in spring 2020 for Primrose Park. He stated that the State of California has been asking questions about the size of the parking lot area and size of the park.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2019 HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST AFTER ACTION REPORT

Secretary Venters provided a brief overview of the staff report.

Chairman Vance opened public comments. Hearing no request to speak, Chairman Vance closed public comments.

Commissioner Haddad recommended that staff conduct the 2020 Holiday Decorating Contest in the following manner: an application process would not be necessary to participate; expand marketing to include schools, not for profit agencies, and the Connect magazine; staff should continue to solicit participation from the City Council and Commission for the judging process; and not allow past winners to be eligible consecutive years.

Commissioner Baroldi concurred with the recommendations made by Commissioner Haddad.

Chairman Vance stated that she also concurs with the recommendations made by Commissioner Haddad. Asked if the City had received negative feedback regarding the event.

Secretary Venters stated that the City did not receive negative feedback from the public. All recommendations made by the Commission were received and filed.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

A. DEPARTMENT NEWS

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto announced the winners of the 2019 Part-Time Recreation Staff Awards and updated the Commission that the City is currently recruiting for the position of Senior Recreation Leader. He stated that the recruitment opportunity was initially provided internally, resulting in three promoted employees. He stated that the City is currently recruiting externally for two additional Senior Recreation Leader positions. He then introduced Jordi Ubaldo, Parks and Recreation Coordinator and provided a background of his carrier.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ubaldo introduced himself to the Commission and stated that he is grateful for the opportunity to work for the City of Temple City.

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson recognized Parks Maintenance Worker Burroughs and Parks Maintenance Worker Rubidoux for becoming Certified Irrigation Technicians.

9. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA
None

10. UPDATE FROM PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

A. PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission that the City Council approved changes to salary wages for part-time staff and approved to have the positions of Recreation Aide, Recreation Leader I and Recreation Leader II reclassified to the position of Recreation Leader. He explained that merging the three positions will mitigate the impact of the minimum wage increase that the City will experience ongoing through the year of 2022.


He continued that the City Council approved authorization to allow the Temple City Camellia Festival to close the street on Las Tunas Drive. He then updated the Commission that the snow machine used at the Lights on Temple City event was a huge success. The Lunar New Year event will last one hour longer than in previous years on February 1, 2020. He stated that the playgrounds at Live Oak Park have been repaired. California American Water Company continues to not be responsive to the City's request to have the drinking fountain water tested. He stated that he will present the results of the water fountain testing at Temple City Park from Sunny Slope Water Company at the next Commission Meeting.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

- A. COMMISSIONER BAROLDI - Congratulated Parks Maintenance Workers Burroughs and Rubidoux on becoming certified in irrigation repair and welcomed Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ubaldo to the City.
- B. COMMISSIONER HADDAD - Echoed the comments made by Commissioner Baroldi.
- C. COMMISSINER TARIN - Congratulated staff on their accomplishments and welcomed Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ubaldo to the City.
- D. VICE-CHAIRMAN ROSSO - Absent
- E. CHAIRMAN VANCE - Thanked Parks and Recreation staff for attending the Commission Meeting. She commented that she had received positive input regarding a recent excursion.


12. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Wednesday, January 15, 2019 at 8:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 5938 Kauffman Avenue.



Cynthia Vance, Chairman

ATTEST:



Jennifer Venters, Secretary