

**General Plan Advisory Committee
Temple City, California**

**Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Members – Acenas, Bustamante, DeMarco, Guan, Huang, Kwan, Liou, Man, Marston, Pedraza, Santucci, Vance
ABSENT: Members – None
EXCUSED: Members – None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Bryan Cook, Community Development Director Michael Forbes, Placeworks consultants Woodie Tescher, Marissa Aho, Kayla Gordon

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

None

4. INTRODUCTION

Mr. Cook welcomed and thanked the GPAC members and introduced himself. Mr. Forbes and the Placeworks consultant team introduced themselves and discussed to role of the GPAC in the General Plan update process. Each of the GPAC members introduced themselves.

5. GPAC BY-LAWS, PROTOCOLS AND EXPECTATIONS

Mr. Tescher discussed the GPAC by-laws, the role and expectations of the GPAC, and meeting procedures. Mr. Forbes discussed the Brown Act open meeting law and the importance of all members complying with its requirements.

6. “GENERAL PLAN 101”

Mr. Tescher gave a presentation discussing the purpose of the General Plan and its relation to zoning and other regulations. He discussed the General Plan update process and schedule.

7. TEMPLE CITY STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES & OPPORTUNITIES EXERCISE

The GPAC members each wrote down on individual sticky notes three words describing what they like about Temple City, three words describing what they don't like about Temple City or see as problems to address, and three ideas for

things they would like see in the future. The sticky notes were posted on the wall by theme and discussed. The major themes that emerged are as follows:

- Things you like: diverse community; safe, quiet, peaceful, and “small town” feel; good neighbors and family friendly; good schools
- Things you don’t like: lack of parks and open space; lackluster downtown in need of façade improvements and greater variety of businesses; poor infrastructure, especially sidewalks; limited community involvement
- Things you’d like to see in the future: more parks (including pocket parks) and trees; economic growth including greater diversity of businesses and job growth; more citizen involvement; more active downtown

8. OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY PROFILE

Discussion on this item was postponed to the next meeting.

9. CHAIR/VICE CHAIR ELECTION

The GPAC voted to delay election of a Chair and Vice Chair to the next meeting to provide the members with additional time to get to know one another.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. to the next GPAC meeting on Monday, October 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Michael D. Forbes, Community Development Director