

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 – 7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 5938 KAUFFMAN AVENUE

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Chairperson Baroldi

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto and Parks and Recreation Secretary Venters

ABSENT: None

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **PRESENTATIONS** - None

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA** - None

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

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

NOES: Commissioner - None

ABSENT: Commissioner - None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner - None

A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Approved.

B. **MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS**

Action: Approved.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. **COMMITTEE ON AGING UPDATE**

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated the Committee on Aging (CoA) have been working on creating a TED Talks style intergenerational program in conjunction with Temple City Unified School District, is working with the Los Angeles County Library to bring additional resources to the senior community and are discussing how to implement Pickle Ball at the tennis courts. He concluded that the next CoA meeting will take place October 26, 2021.

Commissioner Vance asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if reservations are required to use the tennis courts.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that reservations are not required to use the tennis courts.

B. PRIMROSE PARK UPDATE

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission that the opening of Primrose Park has been delayed due to a backorder on materials required to create the shade structure. He stated that the shade structure should be delivered in October. He stated that he would like to schedule an onsite meeting with the Commission once the playground has been installed.

Commissioner Rosso asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if grant funding would be affected.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that grant funding would not be affected.

Commissioner Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto for the amount parking spaces dedicated for electric vehicles and amount of spaces for all other vehicles.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that four spaces will be dedicated to electric vehicles and an estimated total of 40-50 parking spaces for all other vehicles.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. JULY AND AUGUST PROGRAMMING RECAP

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission of programming and events that took place during the months of July and August. Programming and events include Movies in the Park, Summer Day Camp, National Parks and Recreation Month, Healthy TC, Bingo Challenge,

Youth Sports, Concerts in the Park, and Family Trivia Night. He highlighted that Movies in the Park had an attendance of 150-200 persons, enrollment for Summer Day Camp was at maximum capacity and included visits from the Los Angeles County Fire Department and a magician, National Parks and Recreation Month concluded with Neon Night Walk with over 200 participants, Summer Concerts in the Park had high attendance and the Family Trivia Night concluded in August.

B. FALL 2021 PROGRAMMING

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission that outdoor amenities will remain open at Live Oak Park however, due to high infection rates the Community Center will remain closed. He continued that the Parks and Recreation Department is exploring new teen programming, in place of the City's Teen Zone, as a service-based program to provide life building skills and volunteer opportunities. He then briefed the Commission that Stars Club is in operation at Cleminson Elementary School, however due to unavailable indoor facilities the program is on hold at schools within the Temple City Unified School District. He stated that special events scheduled in the fall include the Classic Car Show and Fall Festival, Drive-Thru Halloween event with time slots to ease traffic congestion and Veterans Day event complete with guest speakers and fly over.

Commissioner Rosso asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto when the County Library is scheduled to reopen.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that construction is scheduled to be completed in November, however it may take several months before they are ready to open to the public.

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 stated that the City Council may add providing recommendations of public art to the Commission's duties. He stated that if the City Council desires the Commission to act in this capacity the Temple City Municipal Code would be amended. He then updated the Commission of personnel changes including the resignation of Veronica Luna, Parks and Recreation Coordinator who accepted employment with another City, Jose Luna has accepted the position of full time Tree Trimmer and that the position of Parks and Recreation Manager

is currently frozen. He stated that virtual Brown Act meetings may cease at the end of September and if so, the Council Chambers have been modified to be able to conduct in person meetings. He stated that youth sports protocols have had a reintroduction of reopening guidelines including COVID-19 testing for specific age groups. He concluded that the mural on the baseball concession stand at Live Oak Park is almost complete and that the Gaga Ball pit was finalized in August.

Commissioner Rosso suggested that staff speak to Kathy Keelin who participated in the former Public Arts Committee.

Vice-Chair Tarin asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto for the process when amending a code.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the code amendment would go through a Public Hearing process for a first hearing then a would be adopted at a second Public Hearing.

Commissioner Vance asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto to provide an update regarding Youth Volleyball.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that due to low enrollment the City has modified the Youth Volleyball program from a team based program to a clinic based program.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

- A. COMMISSIONER HADDAD – Requested an update regarding the maintenance of the playground area at Live Oak Park.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that updates regarding the playground area can be provided at an upcoming meeting. He stated that the City has identified funding sources to replace the playground and will bring back more information along with a timeline.

- B. COMMISSIONER ROSSO – Complemented Parks and Recreation Coordinator Rodriguez regarding the Senior Newsletter.

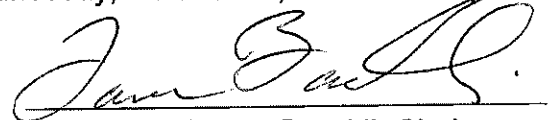
- C. COMMISSINER VANCE – Asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if he could provide a report of various projects being considered. Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated a list of potential projects could be included with the Director's Report.

- D. VICE-CHAIRMAN TARIN – Stated that he is in favor of the Commission reviewing public art and providing recommendation to the City Council.

- E. CHAIRMAN BAROLDI – Commended Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto for his work.

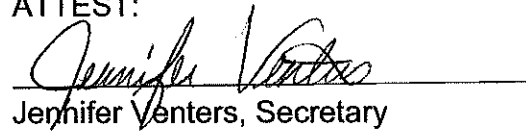
12. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.



Lance Baroldi, Chairman

ATTEST:


Jennifer Venters, Secretary