

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 21, 2019 – 7:30 P.M.

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

PRESENT: Commissioner – Baroldi, Rosso, Tarin

ALSO PRESENT: Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson, Recreation Coordinators Luna, Rodriguez, and Villalobos, and Parks & Recreation Secretary Venters

ABSENT: Commissioner – Haddad, Vance

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Lucy Liou, resident, suggested multi-cultural music during intermission at the Concerts in the Park to encourage cultural diversity.

Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson stated that the City is currently exploring multi-cultural music options for the Concerts in the Park series.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

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

- A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Approved.

- B. **MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS**

The Parks & Recreation Commission is requested to review the Monthly Attendance/Activity Reports for July 2019.

Action: Received and filed.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE ON AGING UPDATE

Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson provided the following update for the Marketing, Funding, and AARP Age-Friendly sub-committees: 1) Marketing - provided a marketing checklist that is used in the Parks and Recreation Department; 2) Funding – staff is in the process of creating a list of potential equipment/projects to apply for via the Navigage grant; and 3) AARP Age-Friendly - Mayor Fish signed the letter of commitment and it has been mailed to AARP. He added that a Senior Database sub-committee was also created at the July meeting and will begin meeting at their earliest convenience. He concluded the next Committee on Aging meeting will take place on October 22, 2019 at the Live Oak Park Annex at 6:30 p.m.

Vice Chairman Rosso stated that the Committee on Aging consists of a diverse range of age groups and backgrounds that provide input for different ideas.

B. PRIMROSE PARK UPDATE

Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson announced that the Proposition 68 Grant application for Primrose Park was submitted by the August 5th deadline and the City Council approved concept plan three with amendments that were consistent with recommendations made by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST FROM BLISS & WISDOM CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION FOR RESERVED USE OF THE PERFORMING ARTS PAVILION AND GRASS AREAS AT TEMPLE CITY PARK FOR A THANKSGIVING FESTIVAL ON NOVEMBER 16, 2019

The Commission is requested to consider a request from Bliss & Wisdom Charitable Organization for reserved use of the Performing Arts Pavilion and grass areas at Temple City Park for a Thanksgiving Festival on November 16, 2019.

Parks & Recreation Coordinator Rodriguez gave a brief overview of the staff report.

Vice Chairman Rosso opened public comments.

Christina Chen, applicant, provided an overview of the purpose of Bliss & Wisdom. She stated that public awareness of their organization may be expanded by holding their festival at Temple City Park.

Commissioner Baroldi asked the applicant if she felt that Temple City Park would be large enough to accommodate the amount of proposed booths.

Christina Chen, applicant, stated that Temple City Park could accommodate the volume of proposed booths.

Vice Chairman Rosso asked for clarification regarding the coupons that will be provided.

Christina Chen, applicant, stated that coupons will be presold and sold onsite for transaction purposes at the festival.

Hearing no additional request to speak, Vice Chairman Rosso closed public comments.

Commissioner Tarin moved to approve a request from Bliss & Wisdom Charitable Organization for reserved use of the Performing Arts Pavilion and grass areas at Temple City Park for a Thanksgiving Festival on November 16, 2019. Seconded by Vice Chairman Rosso and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

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

8. COMMUNICATIONS

A. DEPARTMENT NEWS

Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson announced that John Burroughs and Jalyn Chu have been promoted; five new hires have taken place since the previous Commission meeting; recognized staff for their accomplishments during the month of July; and announced that the new Parks & Recreation Director, Adam Matsumoto will begin employment with the City on October 2, 2019.

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

10. UPDATE FROM PARKS & RECREATION MANAGER

A. PARKS & RECREATION MANAGER'S REPORT

Parks & Recreation Manager Lawson stated Council actions since the last Commission meeting included a resolution to file an application for grant funding for Measure A; Commission reappointments; and approval of the concept plan for Primrose Park. He updated the Commission that West Coast Arborists is pruning tree grids one, two, and three. He then asked each staff member to provide a summary of the events they organized over the month of July.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Villalobos provided a summary of the Camp-A-Palooza, Summer Movies, Fly a Kite Night, and Concerts in the Park events.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Rodriguez provided a summary of the Neon Night Walk event.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Luna provided a summary of the Bark in the Park event.

Commissioner Tarin asked Parks & Recreation Coordinator Rodriguez for an update regarding the pictures hung in the Community Center in recognition of National Breastfeeding Month.

Parks & Recreation Coordinator Rodriguez stated that he has received positive remarks from the public.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

- A. COMMISSIONER BAROLDI – Thanked Parks and Recreation staff for their hard work.
- B. COMMISSIONER HADDAD - Absent
- C. COMMISSIONER TARIN – Commended staff for being attentive during the Concerts in the Park.
- D. VICE-CHAIRMAN ROSSO – Commended staff for their hard work.
- E. CHAIRMAN VANCE - Absent


12. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. to the Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 5938 Kauffman Avenue.



Joanne Rosso, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:



Jennifer Venters, Secretary

