PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Haddad

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner – Baroldi, Rosso, Vance, Haddad

ALSO PRESENT: Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs, Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson, Parks and Recreation Coordinator Luna, Recreation Leaders Battaglia and Ruiz, and Parks and Recreation Secretary Venters

ABSENT: Commissioner – None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Giovanna Billoti, resident, provided the following suggestions to improve the current Dial-A-Ride (DAR) program: additional drivers, improved customer service by dispatchers, shorter hold time, additional safety features on vehicles, and prompt service. She asked Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs for clarification regarding the proposed Uber and Lyft services.

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs stated that a survey was mailed to all DAR members to find how satisfied they were with the current services provided. She stated that the City will be conducting a Request for Proposals for DAR services and that the City may or may not continue to contract with the same vendor. She stated that services provided by Uber or Lyft is intended to be in addition to the DAR program. She concluded that the survey results will be discussed at the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of February 20.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Approved.

B. MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS

Action: Received and filed.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST FROM TEMPLE CITY AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION (AYSO) FOR RESERVED USE OF THE ATHLETIC FIELDS AT LIVE OAK PARK FOR ALL-STAR AND SPRING PRACTICES FEBRUARY 4 – JUNE 30, 2019

The Commission is requested to review and approve a request from Temple City AYSO to allow post-season use of the athletic fields for all-star and spring practices at Live Oak Park from February 4, 2019 – June 30, 2019.

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson gave a brief overview of the staff report.

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

Vice-Chairman Vance moved to approve the request from Temple City American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) for reserved use of the athletic fields at Live Oak Park for all-star and spring practices February 4, 2019 – June 30, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Rosso and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

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

B. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE ON AGING MEMBERS

The Commission is requested to recommend that the City Council approve the Committee on Aging (CoA) members as recommended.

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson gave a brief overview of the staff report.

Chairman Haddad opened public comments. Hearing no request to speak, Chairman Haddad closed public comments and opened the item for Commission discussion.

Vice-Chairman Vance asked Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson how long a member of the CoA will serve and how often meetings will take place.

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson stated that the term for a CoA member is two years and that meetings will take place quarterly.

Chairman Haddad asked who will lead the meetings and if the CoA is a standing committee.

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs stated that the CoA is a standing committee that will be led by a Chairman.

Commissioner Rosso moved to recommend that the City Council approve the members of the Committee on Aging as presented. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Vance and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

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

8. COMMUNICATIONS

A. NEW TEAM MEMBERS, PART-TIME STAFF AWARDS, AND PART-TIME STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson announced two new employees, Tyler Api and Nicole Coronado; briefed the Commission regarding awards given to part-time staff in recognition of various accomplishments; and stated that recruitments for additional recreation employees will take place in the future.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Luna recognized Recreation Leaders Battaglia and Ruiz for exceeding expectations during Winter Camp resulting in a program that was well operated. She stated that she is grateful for Ms. Ruiz and Ms. Battaglia and is looking forward to Spring and Summer Camps.

Recreation Leader I Battaglia stated that she has been employed by the City for three years, has been to many of the special events, and has played the role of the Easter Bunny at the Easter Egg Hunt & Pancake Breakfast event. She stated that she looks forward to participating in the upcoming Spring and Summer Camps.

Recreation Leader II Ruiz stated that she has been employed by the City for four years. She thanked Parks and Recreation Coordinator Luna for recognizing staff and that it is a pleasure to work with Ms. Battaglia.

9. ADDITIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Lucy Liu, resident, stated that she is a board member of the Chinese American Association which is a co-sponsor for the Lunar New Year Celebration. The Lunar New Year Celebration includes sampling of free food, free face painting, raffles, and local performances.

10. UPDATE FROM PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR

A. PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs updated the Commission that the DAR survey results will be brought to the Commission at the regularly scheduled meeting of February 20; that a request for proposals will soon be submitted for a DAR vendor as the current contract with Southland Transit will expire this year; the fields at Live Oak Park will reopen on February 1 (weather permitting); that the City Council will be interviewing candidates for a new Parks and Recreation Commissioner; that the Lunar New Year Celebration will take place February 2; Dim Sum and Tea will take place February 6 at Live Oak Park; the Camellia Festival will take place February 22-24; the State of the City will take place on February 26; and encouraged the Commission and public to submit nominations for the older American of the Year. She lastly reminded the Commission to submit their Form 700.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSIONER BAROLDI – spoke favorably of the Rec Connect booklet.

B. COMMISSIONER HADDAD – also spoke in favorably of the Rec Connect booklet and thanked the CoA for their upcoming service. She asked Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs if the same redwood tree will be used next year for Lights on Temple City.

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs stated that the City is exploring alternate options, however, at this point lighting the redwood tree during the Lights on Temple City event is a tradition.

C. COMMISSIONER ROSSO – Thanked the CoA for their upcoming service.

D. COMMISSIONER VANCE – Thanked staff for attending the Commission Meeting, thanked CoA for their upcoming service, and commented that working with staff during the Home Holiday Decorating Contest was a pleasure.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 5938 Kauffman Avenue.

Kristel Haddad, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jennifer Venters, Secretary