PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2020 – 7:30 P.M.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Rosso called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL – Commissioner Haddad, Tarin, Vance, Baroldi, Rosso

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

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto, Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas, and Parks and Recreation Secretary Venters

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –Ethan Mo, Eagle Scout led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. Eagle Scout Service Project Recognition – Ethan Mo

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto introduced Eagle Scout Ethan Mo to the Commission. He stated that Ethan Mo completed an Eagle Scout project by renovating eight barbeques at Live Oak Park. He stated that Ethan Mo led a team of volunteers to deep clean, remove ash and degrease and clean the concrete under each barbeque pit. He concluded that Ethan Mo has received a Certificate of Recognition signed by Mayor Chavez.

Ethan Mo, Eagle Scout credited former Parks and Recreation Manager Lawson and the Parks Maintenance Crew for their assistance.

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice-Chair Baroldi 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

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

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 that the next Committee on Aging meeting is scheduled on October 27. Discussion items include an update on the goals of the Committee on Aging for the year of 2020.

B. PRIMROSE PARK UPDATE

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the City is working with David Volz Design Landscape Architects, Inc., to complete the construction documents. Once completed the documents will be reviewed by the City Council standing committee, then brought forth to the City Council for consideration, and authorization to bid.

C. PARKS & RECREATION FALL PROGRAMMING UPDATE

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission on the following fall programs and events: The Virtual Classic Car Show event filmed by staff aired on October 10, can be viewed on the City's website; Healthy TC monthly challenges including running challenges, hiking challenges and upcoming fitness challenges can be viewed on the City's Virtual Recreation Center; Family Trivia Game Nights, free to all participants occurring Friday evenings; and Craft Club available on the the City's Virtual Recreation Center page replaced the Homework Help program due to lack of interest. Lastly, he updated the Commission of future events such as the City's first annual Drive Though Halloween Event including six drive through candy distribution stations and a bicycle raffle donated by the Kiwanis Club and Virtual Veteran's Day event including a citywide flyover, virtual showcase, and yard signs recognizing veterans. He offered a Veterans lawn sign to all Commissioners.

Commissioner Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto how the traffic will be controlled during the Drive Through Halloween Event.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the Public Safety Division will mitigate the traffic flow of the Drive Through Halloween Event. He stated that each decorated candy station will have individually bagged candy placed on tables.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. MASTER TREE LIST AMMENDMENT

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto provided a verbal presentation of the staff report noting that the City is proposing to include the option of a Pink Trumpet tree on the Master Tree List along the blocks of Oak Avenue and Woodruff Avenue.

Chair Rosso asked Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas who would be responsible for cleaning dropped flowers from the Pink Trumpet Tree.

Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas stated that the property owners would maintain flowers that have dropped onto private property.

Commissioner Tarin asked Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas for the growth rate of the Pink Trumpet tree and if the tree can cause allergic reactions.

Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas stated that the people generally are not allergic to the Pink Trumpet tree and that it takes approximately 10 years to reach full maturity.

Commissioner Vance asked Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas if any existing trees will be removed and if the Pink Trumpet tree requires sizable amounts of water.

Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas stated that no existing trees will be removed and that the Pink Trumpet tree does not require a lot of water.

Chair Rosso asked if there are trees designated for the 9900 block of Bogue Street.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that there are no designated trees along the 9900 block of Bogue Street on the attached Master Tree List. He stated that he could recommend that the City Council approve an additional amendment to the Master Tree List to designate trees listed in the 10000 block of Bogue Street to carry over to the 9900 block of Bogue Street.

Vice-Chair Baroldi made a motion to recommend that the City Council add the Pink Trumpet tree as an option for the designated blocks along Oak Avenue and Woodruff Avenue and to include the 9900 block of Bogue Street to the Master Tree List. Seconded by Commissioner Tarin and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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 reported the following to the Commission: that the City Council approved a three year extension agreement of the Camellia Festival; reopening of the playgrounds at Live Oak Park and Temple City Park; restroom reopening located closest to the playground at Live Oak Park; and authorized use of the fields for TCALL, TCASA, and AYSO.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSIONER HADDAD – asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the water lead testing at Live Oak Park and Temple City Park had been completed and suggested that staff disinfect and flush the water fountains regardless of lead test results.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated Commissioner Haddad that the water fountains at Live Oak Park and Temple City Park have all successfully passed water testing. He added that he will explore disinfecting and water flushing options for all water fountains.

B. COMMISSIONER TARIN – asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto how the City is ensuring that sports organization volunteers are enforcing safe distance guidelines mandated by the County of Los Angeles.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the City is currently conducting walkthroughs to ensure that sports organizations are in compliance with the standards mandated by the County of Los Angeles.

C. COMMISSINER VANCE – commended staff for their efforts.

D. VICE-CHAIRMAN BAROLDI – commended Ethan Mo for achieving his Eagle Scout Award. He added that he enjoyed the virtual presentation of the Classic Car Show.

E. CHAIRMAN ROSSO – commended Ethan Mo for renovating the barbeques and enjoyed the Virtual Car show. Thanked Lead Tree Trimmer Cardenas for his input.

12. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF:

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

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Joanne Rosso, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Venters, Secretary