PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 17, 2023 – 7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 5938 KAUFFMAN AVENUE

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Tarin

2. **ROLL CALL**

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

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

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Chair Tarin led those present in the 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 Baroldi and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner – Baroldi, Haddad, Rosso, Vance, Tarin
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 updated the Commission that the next Committee meeting will take place July 25, 2023. He reported that at the meeting of April 25, 2023, the Committee approved the 2021-2022 Report Card, discussed goals for 2023, approved two new Committee

Members, and discussed enhanced safety options such as audio alerts and elongated crossing times at key pedestrian crosswalks and assistance for crossing the street at Golden West and Kauffman Avenue during Concerts in the Park.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST FROM TEMPLE CITY AMERICAN LITTLE LEAGUE (TCALL) FOR FIELD USE ON MEMORIAL DAY

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto provided a verbal presentation of the staff report. He noted that typically the fields are open for public use on Sundays and holidays, however TCALL is requesting a one-time reserved use of the field on May 27, to prepare their team for an upcoming game. He concluded that if approved TCALL may or may not use the field depending on their playoff schedule.

Chair Tarin opened the item for public comment. The public did not have comments. Chair Tarin closed the item for public comment and opened discussion to the Commission. The Commission did not have questions or comments.

Commissioner Rosso moved to approve a request from Temple City American Little League for field use on Memorial Day. Seconded by Vice-Chair Vance and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

B. APRIL PROGRAMMING RECAP

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission regarding Youth Track and Field, Youth Soccer, Summer Sports Blitz, STARS Club, Summer Day Camp and Arbor Day Event. He stated that the Youth Track and Field program works in partnership with SCMAF which allows participants to compete with other cities. He stated that if the Youth Track and Field participants rank first through third place, they may be eligible to compete at the State level. He stated that Youth Soccer currently has 75 participants, enrollment for Summer Sports Blitz is open and that STARS Club continues to have high enrollment. He concluded by updating the Commission regarding activities that took place during the Arbor Day event.

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 briefed the Commission that Jim Robuck has been awarded as Older American of the Year, the senior lunch program will operate in person starting in July, YWCA will continue to deliver meals to seniors, the Historical Society will begin centennial celebrations on May 26, 2023, a field of flags will be displayed at Temple City Park for Memorial Day and presented a preliminary draft of the playground renovations at Live Oak Park and Temple City Park. He proceeded to show two options for the concept design at Live Oak Park.

Commissioner Rosso asked how many pieces of equipment is proposed for the playground renovation and if the rocket ship will be included.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the original rocket ship would not be included however the concept is inspired to have a rocket or launch pad theme.

Commissioner Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto what the shade structure would cover, if solo swings and exercise equipment will be included in both concepts and if the picnic tables would be replaced.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the shade structure would not cover the entire play area and swings, exercise equipment will be included in both concepts and new picnic tables are not included as part of the design.

Chair Tarin asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the City can include an association with Steve Lindsey in the rocket/launch pad theme and what type of ground covering is proposed for the play area.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that he can discuss the option of including an association with Mr. Lindsey with the City Council. He stated that the ground covering in the play area would be rubberized.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto asked the Commission if they had further comments or questions regarding the two proposed concept designs for Live Oak Park. The Commission did not have additional

questions or comments. He proceeded to present the two draft concept designs for Temple City Park.

Commissioner Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the playground area could be expanded.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that Temple City Park does not have the footprint to expand the playground.

Commissioner Rosso asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if sound-based play equipment would interfere with concerts in the park.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the sound produced by the play equipment is intended to be acoustic, therefore should not impact neighboring properties or the concerts in the park.

Commissioner Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the Commission would be able to vote on preferred concepts.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the Commission would not have the ability to vote on preferred concepts. He suggested the Commission attend the City Council meeting when the park concepts are presented to provide input.

Chair Tarin stated that he prefers the play equipment to have an open concept for safety purposes.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto asked the Commission if they had further comments or questions regarding the two proposed concept designs for Temple City Park and Live Oak Park. The Commission did not have additional questions or comments.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSIONER BAROLDI - None

B. COMMISSIONER HADDAD – Stated that she is excited for her children to participate in the City's Summer Day Camp program.

C. COMMISSIONER ROSSO – Asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the Field of Flags will be done annually.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that he would like to keep it as an ongoing activity.

D. VICE-CHAIRPERSON VANCE – Stated that she is looking forward to the Commission Meeting in June.

E. CHAIRPERSON TARIN – Thanked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto for sharing the concepts for Live Oak Park and Temple City Park.

12. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF:

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.

Jose Tarin, Chair

ATTEST:

Jennifer Venters, Secretary