COMMITTEE ON AGING
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 25, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Chair Rodenbucher called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Committee Members Present
Judith Gunther Jerry Jambazian
Lucy Liou Ann Seitz
Michael Wintercorn Elizabeth Powell
Carole Rodenbucher

Committee Members Absent
None

Committee Member Jambazian arrived at 6:37 p.m.

Ex-Officio Members Present
Joanne Rosso, Parks & Recreation Commissioner
Mary Sneed, TCUSD Board Member

Ex-Officio Members Absent
Fernando Vizcarra, City Councilmember

Also Present
Adam Matsumoto, Director of Parks and Recreation
Rubi Ramos-Ruiz, Parks and Recreation Coordinator
Jennifer Venters, Parks and Recreation Secretary

Committee Member Liou made a motion to excuse Ex-Officio Member Vizcarra and Committee Member Jambazian for due cause. Seconded by Committee Member Seitz and unanimously carried by roll call vote.

AYES:	Commissioner – Gunther, Liou, Seitz, Wintercorn, Powell, Rodenbucher
NOES:	Commissioner – None
ABSENT:	Commissioner – Jambazian
ABSTAIN:	Commissioner – None

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto 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

The Committee on Aging is requested to review and approve the Minutes of the Regular Committee Meeting of January 24, 2023.

Vice-Chair Powell moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Committee Member Wintercorn and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Commissioner – Gunther, Jambazian, Liou, Seitz, Wintercorn, Powell, Rodenbucher
NOES:	Commissioner – None
ABSENT:	Commissioner – None
ABSTAIN:	Commissioner – None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE ON AGING GOALS FOR 2023

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos provided an update regarding Immediate Action Steps and Long-Term Action Steps. She presented signage that seniors can use in the event of a natural disaster indicating if assistance is needed. She stated that the American Red Cross no longer provides free smoke alarms and installations, however staff is exploring alternate options to fulfill the Immediate Action Step. She stated that the City is exploring options to expand senior activities at the Community Center in order to meet Long-Term Action Steps. She stated that expansion of senior activities include in person senior lunches, monthly seminars designated for seniors and outreach to seniors to gather insight regarding what type of activities and programming is desired. She continued to brief the Committee regarding exploring opportunities to install audio alerts and elongated crossing time at key intersections. She stated that a traffic study would be required to install audio alerts and expand crossing times. She stated that upon discussing with Public Safety Officer Ariizumi, he suggested the Committee to attend a Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting for further discussion. She is continuing to work on having a social worker for the seniors. She stated in addition she discovered a phone application titled What I Need (WIN) that provides a variety of resources on a user friendly interface. She concluded the verbal staff report and opened the item for discussion.

Committee Member Jambazian asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the crossing times could be extended prior to the beginning of the Concerts in the Parks. He added that if crossing times could not be extended he would like deputies present to assist the public when crossing.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that due to other jurisdictions and various departments within the City becoming involved the crossing times would not be extended in time for the Concerts in the Park. He stated that alternatively, volunteers and deputies may be able to assist the public when crossing the street.

Chair Rodenbucher suggested having the traffic lights flash red at key intersections during the Concerts in the Park to temporarily slow traffic.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that he could explore options with the County of Los Angles.

The Committee did not have additional questions or comments at this time. The Committee received and filed the report.

B 2021-2022 REPORT CARD

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos presented the 2021-2022 Report Card to the Committee. She stated that included in report card are the members of the Committee during the year of 2021 and 2022 along with goals accomplished and current goals. She concluded the report and opened the item for discussion.

Vice-Chair Powell asked Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos if a lunch menu will be provided on the City's website.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos stated that a menu for senior lunches will be available on the City's website once the program is in person.

The Committee had no further questions or comments. The Committee received and filed the report.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. OLDER AMERICAN OF THE YEAR

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos provided a verbal presentation of the staff report, announcing James Robuck as the selected Older American of the Year. She then highlighted his accomplishments including

volunteer service, involvement in Temple City High School and Kiwanis Club. She concluded the report and opened the item for discussion.

The Committee had no questions or comments. The Committee received and filed the report.

B. REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR VACANT SEATS ON COMMITTEE

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos provided a verbal presentation of the staff report indicating that there are two vacant seats on the Committee and three applicants. She provided a copy of each application to the Committee for consideration.

Committee Member Jambazian asked Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos who finalizes the approval of the new Committee Members, when their term would begin and how the City marketed the recruitment.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos stated that the Committee is the final deciding body of who fills the two vacancies. She stated that new Committee Member terms would begin July 1, 2023. She concluded by stating that that City advertised on social media, the City's website and various events.

Committee Member Jambazian stated that he is favor of selecting Ms. Guard and Ms. Rossi.

Vice-Chair Powell stated that she is also in favor of selecting Ms. Guard and Ms. Rossi.

Committee Member Liou moved to approve Jennie Guard and Zoraida Rossi as members of the Committee on Aging. Seconded by Committee Member Seitz and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Commissioner – Gunther, Jambazian, Liou, Seitz, Wintercorn, Powell, Rodenbucher
NOES:	Commissioner – None
ABSENT:	Commissioner – None
ABSTAIN:	Commissioner – None

C. NOTIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ON AGING MEMBERS WITH EXPIRNG TERMS

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos announced the Committee Members whose terms expire in 2023. She stated that to continue their

term they would submit a letter of interest in continuing. She concluded the report and opened the item for discussion.

The Committee had no questions or comments. The Committee received and filed the report.

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto provided an update regarding the outreach conducted for the playground renovations at Live Oak Park and Temple City Park. He stated that the survey included themes, amenities and equipment for each park. He stated that the City is currently in concept design development, in four to six weeks the concept design will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission and that the renovated playgrounds will be ready for use in 2024. He stated that the City is working alongside the Historical Society to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Temple Township. He stated that proposed ideas include a barbeque and pie eating contest hosted by the Historical Society, incorporating the founding of Temple Township in summer events, and include a parade and historical context at the Fall Festival and Classic Car Show. He stated that the Historical Society will spearhead the sale of centennial merchandise.

Ex-Officio Member Sneed asked Director of Parks and Recreation if the swings would be ADA accessible.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that that each park would have amenities that are ADA compliant.

Committee Member Powell asked Director of Parks and Recreation if the playground renovations would affect activities during the Concerts in the Park series.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that activities at the Concerts in the Park series would not be affected.

Committee Member Jambazian asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if banners commemorating the centennial celebration would be hung throughout the City.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that he could explore key areas to hang banners.

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Ramos-Ruiz stated that upcoming events include Arbor Day and Temple City's Got Talent. She stated that adult excursions during the summer months include French Festival, Spanish Festival, Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Sawdust Festival and a Dodger game.

Vice-Chair Powell suggested having short excursions to places such as the Los Angeles County Fair and Quake stadium.

10. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA
- None

11. COMMITTEE ON AGING AND EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

Chair Rodenbucher stated that she would like the new Committee Members to have an orientation prior to the next meeting. She stated that she would be willing to participate in the orientation.

Committee Member Sneed stated that she would also be willing to participate in the orientation.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee on Aging Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday July 25, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Carole Rodenbucher

Carole Rodenbucher, Chair

ATTEST:

Jennifer Venters

Jennifer Venters, Secretary