PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 19, 2024 – 7:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Acting Chair Haddad

2. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Commissioner Rosso, Tarin, Haddad

ABSENT: Commissioner Baroldi

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

Commissioner Rosso made a motion to excuse Commissioner Baroldi for due cause, seconded by Commissioner Tarin and carried by roll call vote:

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

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Acting Chair Haddad 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 Tarin and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Action: Approved.

B. MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS
Action: Approved.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. MAY PROGRAMMING REPORT

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto updated the Commission that STARS Club concluded at the end of May. He stated that STARS Club will resume in August with an additional site at Emperor Elementary School. He stated that the joint use agreement will allow for the additional site and employ additional staff. He stated that the LEAD program also concluded in May and is scheduled to resume in August. He stated that the City received strong interest in the LEAD program and looks forward to the program growing. He stated that the Track and Field and Mini and Youth Soccer programs concluded in May. He added that four Track and Field participants qualified for state level competition in San Diego. He stated that Summer Sports Blitz is currently in session with two 5-week sessions. He stated that Summer Day Camp began in June operating at the Annex and Community Center. He asked the Commission if they had questions or comments.

Acting Chair Haddad commented that her children currently participate in the Summer Day Camp Program and are having a great time.

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 stated that Parks and Recreation items approved by the City Council include the Autumn Festival, a five year extension agreement for landscaping with the Los Angeles County Public Library, an extension of services with the City's Dial-A-Ride provider, Southland Transit and funding in the budget to employ additional staff. He then provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Grand Opening at Temple City Park and completed art projects at Primrose Park. He thanked SWA Design for their work, the Commission for their input and Acting Chair Haddad for the speech she provided during the grand opening. He stated that the renovated playground at Temple City Park features new play equipment, rubberized surfacing, additional lighting and an updated shelter area. He stated that completed artwork at Primrose Park includes the installation of the tile murals by Mike Tauber and a butterfly bench. He continued that the bids for the renovations at Live Oak Park were rejected,

however will not affect the completion timeline as the new playground equipment will not arrive until September. He stated that Summer Concerts in the Park features new talent to keep the program fresh, in person registration for Camp-A-Palooza begins June 22, and Neon Night Walk will conclude July's Parks and Recreation Month. He asked if the Commission they had questions or comments.

Commissioner Rosso stated that the butterfly bench is beautiful.

Acting Chair Haddad asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the City has followed up with the pickleball group regarding additional lighting and if movement has been made toward presenting the Commission with a list of Capital Improvement Projects for consideration.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that he has followed up and met with the pickleball group regarding additional lighting. He stated that the City has to gather data regarding court use, cost of a new lighting infrastructure, consider adverse effects to adjacent properties, and allow input from members of the community. He concluded that it would be most appropriate to discuss all proposed Capitol Improvement Projects at the same time.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSINER BAROLDI – Absent.

B. COMMISSIONER ROSSO – Stated that the Grand Opening went well and is looking forward to the Summer Concerts in the Park series.

C. COMMISSIONER TARIN – Stated that it is exciting to see children using the playground at Temple City Park. He stated that it is satisfying to be part of the process of gathering input from the community to see the playground in completion.

D. ACTING CHAIRPERSON HADDAD – Stated that she is impressed with Temple City Park and programs operated by the Parks and Recreation Department.

12. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF:

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Kristel Haddad, Acting Chair

ATTEST:

Jennifer Venters, Secretary