PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

SPECIAL MEETING

JULY 31, 2024 – 7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 5938 KAUFFMAN AVENUE

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Commissioner Rosso

2. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Commissioner Baroldi, Burroughs, Rosso, Tarin

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

ABSENT: Acting-Chair Haddad

Commissioner Tarin made a motion to excuse Acting-Chair Haddad for due cause. Seconded by Commission Rosso and carried by roll call vote:

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

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Commissioner Rosso led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **REORGANIZATION OF COMMISSION**

Commissioner Rosso nominated Acting Chair Haddad for Chair. Seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Commissioner Tarin nominated Commissioner Rosso for Vice Chair. Seconded by Commissioner Burroughs and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

5. PRESENTATIONS - None

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

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Tarin moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. JUNE PROGRAMMING REPORT

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated the Summer Day Camp has had full enrollment for each session and Summer Sports Blitz had 73 participants enrolled for session one and 54 participants enrolled in session two. He stated that events during the month of June included the Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Compost Giveaway event. He stated that the Parks Maintenance and Urban Forestry teams installed a new pickleball gate, a butterfly bench at Primrose Park, power washed the bleachers at Live Oak Park, cleaned graffiti, addressed eleven tree related requests, pruned palm trees and worked with WCA to assess stressed trees along Rosemead Boulevard. He asked the Commission if they had comments or questions.

The Commission did not have comments or questions, therefore received and filed the report.

B. REQUEST FROM TEMPLE CITY AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION (TCASA) FOR RESERVED USE OF THE SOFTBALL FIELD AT LIVE OAK PARK

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto provided a verbal presentation of the staff report. He stated that the request made by TCASA is the same as previously approved by the Commission.

Acting Chair Rosso opened the item for public comment. No member of the public came forward, therefore closed public comment. Ms. Rosso opened

the item for Commission discussion. The Commission had no comments or questions at this time.

Commissioner Tarin made a motion to approve a request from TCASA for reserved use of the softball infield at Live Oak Park from August through November 2024 for practices with the conditions stated in the staff report. Seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

C. REQUEST FROM AYSO FOR RESERVED USE OF ATHLETIC FIELDS AT LIVE OAK PARK AND HANGING SPONSOR BANNERS

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto provided a verbal presentation of the staff report. He stated that the Commission has previously approved requests made by AYSO to hang sponsorship banners, however is also asked to consider approval of use of the field per Temple City residency requirement.

Acting Chair Rosso opened the item for public comment. No member of the public came forward, therefore closed public comment. Ms. Rosso opened the item for Commission discussion.

Commissioner Tarin asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if Temple City residency would have exceeded the 51% residency requirement if counted by the Temple City Unified School District and if the Commission could discuss changes to the residency requirement.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the intended purpose of the requirement is to allow a formal review process of field usage by groups that do not consist of majority of Temple City residents He stated that the Commission would have to discuss possible changes to the residency requirement at a future meeting.

Commissioner Burroughs asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if there is a removal date for the banners.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the banners would be removed in December.

The Commission had no further comments or questions.

Commissioner Burroughs made a motion to approve a request from AYSO for reserved use of the athletic field at Live Oak Park and to hang sponsor banners during their season with the conditions stated in the staff report. Seconded by Commissioner Tarin and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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

11. UPDATE FROM PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

A. PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that at their meeting of July 16, the City Council appointed Commissioner Burroughs and reappointed Commissioners Haddad and Tarin to the Commission. He stated that the 2025 Camellia Festival with an amendment to the Master Agreement was also approved. He continued that the City will hold a groundbreaking event for Live Oak Park on Saturday, August 3 starting at 10 a.m. He stated that along with breaking ground the City will distribute giveaways, have photo opportunities, crafts and continental breakfast. He stated that the City has selected a contractor for the development of the new playground at Live Oak Park. He stated that the City targets the new playground to be available for public use in early 2025. He continued to update the Commission regarding property acquired at 5003 Sereno Drive in the southwest portion of the City. He stated that the City intends to seek community input on open space options, utilizing Measure A funding. He stated that public input from local residents will be gathered as the property is located in a residential zone. He then updated the Commission regarding Concerts in the Park in conjunction with National Night Out, Camp-A-Palooza and Neon Night Walk events. He highlighted that hot dogs will be provided at National Night Out, Neon Night Walk was well attended, and that staff will explore reasons why enrollment was lower than anticipated for Camp-A-Palooza. He stated that the STARS Club program will no longer be operating out of Clemenson Elementary school, however will be returning to Emperor Elementary school. He stated that the decision by Clemenson Elementary to discontinue STARS Club is not a reflection of the program as it was a decision to have one after school provider. He concluded by asking the Commission if they had comments or questions.

Commissioner Tarin asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto if the Commission will be able to solicit input for the new park.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the City would like to take a localized approach to gather input from the public, and the Commission could have involvement in the process.

12. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSINER BAROLDI - Welcomed fellow Commissioner Burroughs to the Commission. He stated that he is excited to have an additional park, is happy to see that the Concerts in the Park have been well attended and is looking forward to the groundbreaking event at Live Oak Park.

B. COMMISSIONER BURROUGHS – Stated that she is grateful to be part of the Commission.

C. COMMISSIONER ROSSO – Asked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto why there is no play equipment for toddlers at the Temple City Park.

Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto stated that the footprint of the playground was not large enough to utilize a play area for those aged two through five and children five through twelve. He stated that the sensory wall could be used by younger children.

D. COMMISSIONER TARIN – Welcomed Commissioner Burroughs to the Commission and thanked Director of Parks and Recreation Matsumoto for his reports.

E. ACTING CHAIRPERSON HADDAD - Absent

13. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF:

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Joanne Rosso, Acting Chair

ATTEST:

Jennifer Venters, Secretary