**CITY COUNCIL**
**TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
**MAY 6, 2025**

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sternquist called the City Council Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 5938 Kauffman Avenue, Temple City.

## 2. ROLL CALL

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| PRESENT: | Councilmember – Chavez, Chen, Yu, Man, Sternquist |
| ABSENT: | Councilmember – None |
| ALSO PRESENT: | City Manager Cook, City Attorney Murphy, City Clerk Kuo, and Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto |

3. **INVOCATION** – Chaplain Tareq, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Temple Station, provided the invocation.

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Elizabeth Powell, Committee on Aging Chair, lead the pledge of allegiance.

## 5. CEREMONIAL MATTERS – PRESENTATION

A. INTRODUCTION OF SISTER CITY STUDENTS GOING TO HAWKESBURY, AUSTRALIA

Ari Pinedo, Temple City Sister City Association, introduced the students going to Hawkesbury Australia; Alivia Castro, Leilany Garcia, Phoenix Grayczyk, Emilio Madrigal, and Arron Wong.

B. OLD AMERICAN MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Sternquist presented the proclamation to the Committee on Aging Chair Elizabeth Powell, and Vice-Chair Anne Seitz.

C. UPDATE FROM COMMITTEE ON AGING

Committee on Aging Chair Elizabeth Powell provided the 2025 End of Year Report, highlighting the accomplishments and progress made by the committee over the past year.

D. UPDATE FROM LOS ANGLELES COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS REGARDING SEWER RATE INCREASE - ANDREW NGUMBA, ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Andrew Ngumba, Assistant Deputy Director for Los Angeles County Public Works, provided an overview of the services that they provide for the sewer lines in Los Angeles County. He shared that the cost to provide sewer services has continued to increase and that the current rates do not cover the costs of providing these services. To keep pace with rising inflation and continue funding essential operations and maintenance of the region's sewer system, the Public Works is proposing rate increases for sewer services.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA** – None

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Chavez made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items. Seconded by Man Pro Tem Man and approved by the following votes:

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| AYES: | Councilmember – Chavez, Chen, Yu, Man, Sternquist |
| NOES: | Councilmember – None |
| ABSTAINED: | Councilmember – None |
| ABSENT: | Councilmember – None |

Recommendation: Approve Items A through L per recommendations.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The City Council is requested to review and approve the Minutes of the:

1. Regular Council Meeting of April 1, 2025; and
2. Special Council Meeting of April 23, 2025.

Action: Approved the Minutes of the City Council Meeting.

B. TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION ACTIONS – REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2025

The City Council is requested to review and file the actions of the Regular Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting of March 26, 2025.

Action: Received and filed the Transportation and Public Safety Commission actions from their regular meeting of March 26, 2025.

C. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTIONS – REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2025

The City Council is requested to review and file the actions of the Regular Planning Commission Meeting of April 8, 2025.

Action: Received and filed the Planning Commission actions from their regular meeting of April 8, 2025.

D. APPROVAL OF PERMITS TO SELL FIREWORKS FOR THE 2025 SEASON

The City Council is requested to approve fireworks permit applications from nine local non-profit organizations for the 2025 season.

Action: Approved the nine applications for fireworks permits for the 2025 season.

E. APPROVAL OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JOHN KALISKI ARCHITECTS (JKA) TO PREPARE OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR THE R-3 (HIGH-DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), MU-L AND MU-M (MIXED-USE LOW & MEDIUM), AND MU-B, MU-C, AND NT (CROSSROADS SPECIFIC PLAN) ZONES

The City Council is requested to approve a consultant services agreement to prepare the City's objective design standards.

Action:

1. Approved a Consultant Services Agreement with JKA (Attachment "A") to prepare the objective design standards; and

2. Authorized the City Manager to execute the Consultant Services Agreement in an amount not to exceed $150,000, with an additional contingency amount of $15,000, subject to prior written approval by the City Manager for a total contract amount of $165,000.

F. FINAL SUBDIVISION MAP APPROVAL FOR PARCEL MAP NO. 83005, A FLAG LOT SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT AT 6214 ENCINITA AVENUE

The City Council is requested to approve the final map to formalize the subdivision. This approval will enable the developer to obtain the necessary building permits and commence construction.

Action:

1. Reviewed and approved the final subdivision map for Tract Map No. 83005 (Attachment "A"); and

2. Authorized the City Clerk to certify Tract Map No. 83005.

G. APPROVE RECOMMENDATION TO CHANGE THE REGULAR MEETING TIME OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

The City Council is requested to approve the Commission's recommendation to change their regular meeting time to coincide with City Council's new start time from 7:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Action: Adopted Resolution 25-5808 (Attachment "A") approving the Planning Commission's recommendation to change their regular meeting time from 7:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

H. APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH RED 88 MEDIA FOR CITY VIDEO PRODUCTION, RECORDING, EDITING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The City Council is requested to approve an agreement for services for city video production, recording, and editing and support services.

Action:

1. Approved the Agreement for Services with Red 88 Media to video record City Council meetings for live and delayed broadcast to the community; and

2. Authorized the City Manager to sign the Agreement.

I. AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO SQUARE SIGNS LLC DBA FRONT SIGNS FOR THE STREET POLE INSTALLATION AND ILLUMINATED ENTRY SIGNS FOR LAS TUNAS DRIVE STREETSCAPE PROJECT (CIP NO. P24-06)

The City Council is requested to award a public works contract for the street pole installation and illuminated entry signs for the Las Tunas Drive Streetscape Project.

Action:

1. Awarded a Public Works Contract (Contract) to Square Signs LLC dba Front Signs (Attachment "A") as the lowest responsible bidder in an amount of $141,208.00 for the Street Pole Installation and Illuminated Entry Signs for Las Tunas Drive Streetscape Project, CIP No. P24-06 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Contract;

2. Authorized 15% of the total contract amount as contingency allowance to be used if necessary for unforeseen conditions at the City Manager's discretion.

J. AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO ONYX PAVING COMPANY, INC. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP NO. P-25-01)

The City Council is requested to award a public works contract for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Pavement Rehabilitation Project.

Action:

1. Awarded a Public Works Contract (Contract) to Onyx Paving Company, Inc. (Attachment "A") as the lowest responsible bidder in an amount of $3,669,369 for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Pavement Rehabilitation Project, CIP No. P-25-01 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Contract; and

2. Authorized the City Manager to add Additive Alternative Bid items (up to $1,345,000 which is total of all additive Bid Items A) to Onyx Paving Company, Inc., contract as deemed necessary; and

3. Authorized 10% of the total contract amount as contingency allowance (including adding 10% contingency to any alternative bid items per item 2 above) to be used if necessary for unforeseen conditions at the City Manager's discretion.

K. PETTY CASH REPORT

The City Council is requested to receive and file the Petty Cash Report.

Action: Received and filed.

L. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 25-5809 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 25-5809 authorizing the payment of bills for fiscal year 2024-25.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 25-5809 authorizing the payment of bills for fiscal year 2024-25.

**8. PUBLIC HEARING** – None

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

**10. NEW BUSINESS** – None

**11. UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER** – Reiterated that City Council's approval of Consent Calendar Item 7J, award of a public works contract for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Pavement Rehabilitation Project, will be the last pavement project for this year. Additional revenue sources will be needed to address the pavement conditions for the remaining streets in the city. Staff will be presenting next year's city budget soon.

**12. UPDATE FROM CITY ATTORNEY** – shared that he will be attending the City Attorney Conference next week and will report out at the next meeting.

**13. COUNCIL REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC OR STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

A. SCHOOL DISTRICT/CITY STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Pro Tem Man and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 1/3/2012

No report.

B. AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE
(Councilmember Yu and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 7/15/2014

No report.

C. FACILITIES, PUBLIC WORKS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Pro Tem Man and Councilmember Yu) – Formed 4/4/2017

No report.

D. CITY BASED HOMELESS PLAN STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Sternquist and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 3/16/21

No report.

E. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY PROPERTY AT 9050 LAS TUNAS DRIVE AD HOC COMMITTEE
(Mayor Sternquist and Mayor Pro Man) – Formed 5/17/22

No report.

F. LAS TUNAS DRIVE STREETSCAPE AD HOC COMMITTEE
(Councilmember Chen and Councilmember Yu) – Formed 5/16/23

No report.

G. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY PROPERTY AT 5003 SERENO DRIVE AD HOC COMMITTEE
(Mayor Sternquist and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 11/6/22

Mayor Pro Tem Man shared that the Ad Hoc Committee met to discuss development of 5003 Sereno Drive. The Ad Hoc Committee provided input to the landscape architect. Staff will bring recommendations for City Council's consideration at a upcoming meeting.

H. LIVE OAK PARK PLAYGROUND SIGNAGE AD HOC COMMITTEE

(Mayor Pro Tem Man and Councilmember Sternquist) – Formed 12/3/24

Mayor Pro Tem Man shared that the Ad Hoc Committee met to provide further input regarding the playground signage. Staff will bring recommendation for City Council's consideration at an upcoming meeting.

I. COMMISSIONER RECRUITMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE
(Mayor Pro Tem Man and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 4/1/2025

Councilmember Chavez shared that the Ad Hoc Committee will be interviewing applicants on May 23.

**14. COUNCIL ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE CITY MANAGER'S REGULAR AGENDA**

A. COUNCILMEMBER CHAVEZ – no report.

B. COUNCILMEMBER CHEN – shared that he attended the California Community Choice Aggregate Conference as city's council delegate to the Clean Power Alliance (CPA). He shared that for the next coming year; residents should see a slight decrease in their clean power subscription.

C. COUNCILMEMBER YU – no report.

D. MAYOR PRO TEM MAN – complimented staff on a successful Easter Egg Hunt event, commented on the Chamber of Commerce's Legislative lunch with Congresswoman Chu, and shared that he attended World Journal's Mother's Day celebration. He reported that 2 Temple City High School Students placed top 10 in Congresswoman Chu annual Congressional Art Competition.

E. MAYOR STERNQUIST – invited the City Council to the City's Senior Luau in August.

**15. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA –**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Cynthia Sternquist

Cynthia Sternquist, Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy Kuo

Peggy Kuo, City Clerk