

**CITY COUNCIL
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Chavez called the City Council Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. telephonically.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmember – Man, Vizcarra, Yu, Chavez

ABSENT: Councilmember - Sternquist

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Cook, City Attorney Murphy, City Clerk Kuo, Deputy City Clerk Nunez, Assistant to the City Manager Haworth, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager/City Council Flores, Administrative Services Director Paragas, Interim Community Development Director Reimers

Mayor Yu made a motion to excuse Councilmember Sternquist for cause. Seconded by Councilmember Vizcarra.

3. INVOCATION – Mayor Chavez provided the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Chavez led the pledge of allegiance

5. CEREMONIAL MATTERS – PRESENTATIONS – None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Peggy Miller, Temple City resident, called and ask Council to consider providing financial assistance to the renters in the City.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Chavez pulled Consent Calendar Item 7B for public comment.

Councilmember Man made a motion to approve the remainder of the consent calendar items. Seconded by Councilmember Yu and approved by the following votes:

AYES: Councilmember – Man, Vizcarra, Yu, Chavez

NOES: Councilmember – None

ABSENT: Councilmember – Sternquist

ABSTAINED: Councilmember – None

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The City Council is requested to review and approve:

1. [Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 19, 2020](#); and
2. [Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of May 26, 2020](#).

Action: Approved.

C. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-5476 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 20-5476 authorizing the payment of bills.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 20-5476.

B. UPDATE ON FIREWORKS PERMITS

The City Council approved the 2020 Fireworks permits on March 31, 2020. The staff report provides an update on the relationship between the Los Angeles County Public Health Orders and the fireworks permits.

Jerry Jambazian, Temple City business owner, emailed his public comment opposing fireworks sales in the City.

City Manager Cook and city staff answered City Council questions regarding sales and use of fireworks.

Mayor Chavez opened public comment.

Jennifer Oberlander, TCASA, called to share challenges they have encountered trying to get their booth ready for sale of fireworks.

Mayor Pro Tem Yu made a motion to receive and file the update. Seconded by Councilmember Man and approved by the following votes:

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

8. PUBLIC HEARING – None

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS FOR ORDINANCE NO. 20-1041U, AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPLE CITY TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING EVICTIONS OF RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL TENANTS ARISING OUT OF FINANCIAL IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The City Council is requested to give staff direction regarding the City's urgency ordinance prohibiting evictions of residential and commercial tenants due to non-payment of rent authorized by Executive Order N-28-20 to local governments until May 31, 2020.

City Attorney Murphy gave a summary of the staff report and provided additional information regarding the County and City's moratorium temporarily prohibiting evictions of residential and commercial tenants arising out of financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

City Council asked questions regarding the City's existing moratorium prohibiting evictions of residential and commercial tenants due to non-payment of rent.

Mayor Chavez opened public comment.

Peggy Miller, Temple City resident, expressed that Councilmembers who own rental properties in the City should not be making any decision regarding this matter and commented on the no fault eviction.

Hearing no further request to speak, Mayor Chavez closed public comment.

City Attorney Murphy addressed Mrs. Miller's concern in respect to City Councilmembers with rental properties in the city making decision regarding this moratorium. He stated that although Councilmember Sternquist does own rental properties within the City, when the moratorium ordinance was presented to Council the first time, staff made sure she didn't have any individualized issues relating to her rental properties. While she has an interest, since the moratorium affects every commercial and rental properties within the City her interest was subject to the public generally exception, meaning that her interest was the same as any landlord within the city. Before tonight's meeting, it was discovered that at this point in time Councilmember Sternquist had a more immediate individualized interest, so she recused herself from the item going forward. She has followed the law in that regards.

City Council made final comments regarding the moratorium.

Mayor Pro Tem Yu made a motion to continue with the City's ordinance as is for now and directed City Attorney and staff to review other local ordinances for modifications since they were originally established and to bring back in the future appropriate refinements to the City's moratorium to clarify the Council's original intent and make the ordinance reflect that intent. Seconded by Councilmember Man and approved by the following votes:

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

10. NEW BUSINESS – None

- 11. UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER** – shared that some businesses are reopening in the City and he will reach out to them regarding their reopening, talked about restarting parking enforcement for street sweeping, and thanked LA County sheriffs and City's public safety staff for ensuring the safety of the public and property.

12. UPDATE FROM CITY ATTORNEY – None

13. COUNCIL REPORTS REGARDING AD HOC OR STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

No report.

- B. LAS TUNAS DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Chavez and Mayor Pro Tem Yu) – Formed 2/18/2014

No report.

- C. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY PROPERTIES STANDING COMMITTEE (Mayor Pro Tem Yu and Councilmember Man) – Formed 2/18/2014

No report.

- D. AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Chavez and Mayor Pro Tem Yu) – Formed 7/15/201

No report.

E. FACILITIES, PUBLIC WORKS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE
(Mayor Pro Tem Yu and Councilmember Man) – Formed 4/4/2017
No report.

F. PRIMROSE PARK ART ELEMENT AD HOC
(Councilmember Vizcarra and Mayor Pro Tem Yu) – Formed 5/19/20

No report.

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

A. COUNCILMEMBER STERNQUIST – Absent

B. COUNCILMEMBER VIZCARRA – None

C. COUNCILMEMBER MAN – commented on the protests and commented on the City’s relationship with public safety and first responders.

D. MAYOR PRO TEM YU – thanked the Sheriff’s Department, Fire Department and City staff for keeping the city safe, commented about the protests and the enforcement of the health department’s order for people to wear mask when out in public.

E. MAYOR CHAVEZ – commented on the protests and thanked the first responders for all that they do. Directed the City Manager to bring back an item regarding the firework stands and enforcement of illegal fireworks for discussion at the next meeting.

15. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA – None

16. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Tom Chavez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy Kuo, City Clerk