



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

For the period of May 15 – June 5, 2015

This report is issued the first and third Friday of each month.
It can be obtained at City Hall or online at www.templecity.us.

TO: The Honorable City Council

ISSUE DATE: May 15, 2015

FROM: Bryan Cook, City Manager

THE WEEKS AHEAD:

May 19 City Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers

More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 285-2171 ext. 4132

The City Council will consider the following items:

- Approval of Consultant Services Agreement with Jan Pro Cleaning System for janitorial services;
- Approval of Agreement with CLS Landscape Management, Inc. for landscape median maintenance services;
- Approval of agreement with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for tree maintenance services;
- Second reading and adoption of ordinance reducing size of the Public Arts Commission;
- Declare City's intention to levy and collect Lighting and Maintenance District Assessments and establish time and place for hearing public objections;
- Receive and file the Third Quarter Budget Amendment Report;
- Receive and file the Treasurer's Report, Expenditure Report;
- Consider a request from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics for Temple City to co-sponsor the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg and Ceremony;
- Authorize City Manager to enter into a Master Equity Lease Agreement with Enterprise FM Trust for a vehicle lease and maintenance program;

Special Public Art Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Council Conference Room in City Hall

More info: City Manager's Office, (626) 285-2171 ext. 4111

The Public Art Commission will consider the following items:

- Receive presentation on Annual Art Plan;
- Approval of Mural Concept; and
- Receive presentation on Mural-in-a-Weekend Event Planning.

May 25 Memorial Day, City and Dial-A-Ride Hours

More info: Parks and Recreation (626) 579-0461

- City Hall Closed
- LOP Annex Closed
- LOP Community Center: Open 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.
- Dial-A-Ride: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

May 26 **Planning Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Community Room**

More info: Community Development Department, (626) 285-2171 ext. 4312

The Planning Commission will consider the approval of a Conditional Use Permit at 9508 Las Tunas Drive.

May 27 **Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting, (CANCELLED)**

More info: Community Development Department, (626) 285-2171 ext. 4344

The next scheduled Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 10.

OF INTEREST:

City Commissioner Recruitment

The City received 69 applications to fill 12 City Commissioner seats. The Commissioner Application Ad Hoc Committee will be conducting the first round of interviews on Monday, May 18 and Tuesday, May 26, in the Council Chambers located at 5938 Kauffman Avenue. Those not selected for this interview may still be recommended by the ad hoc committee to be interviewed in front of full Council for appointment.

City Council will be interviewing the final applicants on Wednesday, June 3. New Commissioners will be appointed during the June 16 City Council meeting.

Temple City Named One of the 50 Safest Cities in California

Temple City was recently named one of the safest California cities by SafeWise.com, a security organization focused on safety education. The city was ranked as the 37th safest municipality in the state.

In compiling the list, SafeWise used the most recent FBI crime data from 2013 to analyze and rank cities. Data was gathered on the number of violent and property crimes reported, and then calculated by the chance of these crimes happening out of 1,000 people.

In discussing its ranking, SafeWise noted Temple City's strong community relationships and low crime rate. The report stated "it's the kind of place where neighbors know each other's names, which delivers a strong message to criminals that they're not welcome here."

For the full list, and to see Temple City's entry, click here: <http://www.safewise.com/blog/safest-cities-California-2015>.

Community Blood Drive, May 20

In partnership with the City and Chamber of Commerce, the Temple City Unified School District (TCUSD) will host a community blood drive to benefit The American Red Cross on Wednesday, May 20, 12-6:15 p.m., at 9700 Las Tunas Drive.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh 110 pounds or more, be in general good health and provide photo identification. Walk-ins are welcome.

To make an appointment or for more information, contact TCUSD Public Information Officer Lynne Burkhardt at lburkhardt@tcusd.net or (626) 548-5120.

New Public Art Installation at Linden Walk



A 12' high corten and stainless steel sculpture entitled Balance was installed earlier this week near the entrance of Linden Walk, a new 74-home subdivision on Lower Azusa Road.

Commissioned by the developer, the artwork takes inspiration from its locale between a spillway and railroad tracks. The abstract sculpture illustrates the neighborhood as the new center of Temple City, providing positive energy and an intricate balance of homes.

Punchlist items are underway to complete the installation, including exterior uplighting and the relocation of existing plantings to further enhance artwork visibility.

Velazquez Crowned Miss Temple City

(Photo courtesy of TempleCityPhotos.com)



Congratulations to the newly crowned Miss Temple City, Anita Velazquez!

Anita is a 17-year old student at Maranatha High School in Pasadena. She is enrolled in honors and AP courses, which allow her to be in both the National Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation.

Anita has been a part of her school's Varsity Cheer squad, Drumline, Junior Varsity Softball team, and is currently on the accreditation team for her school. She has also been a banner carrier for the 2005 Camellia Festival Court and a member of the Temple City Youth Committee. She hopes to continue her schooling at her dream university, NYU.

General Plan Update

The General Plan Advisory Committee met on Monday, May 4 to begin discussing policy issues with the City's General Plan consultant, PlaceWorks. The Committee Members discussed subjects including mansionization, commercial development, how to address historic resources, recreation and open space, bicycle infrastructure, and the types of businesses and jobs the City should encourage. This was the first of a series of meetings in which the Committee will move from providing general policy directions to giving more detailed feedback on goals and policies in the General Plan. The Committee will meet next on June 1, to review the Draft Land Use Diagram and the corresponding build out projections.

Pitch, Hit & Run

About 30 boys and girls, ages 7-14, participated in the Pitch, Hit and Run competition held at Live Oak Park on Saturday, May 9. The participants had to throw into a target, hit for distance, and run the bases for time. Many of the contestants will advance to the Sectional Competition to be held at Northside Park in Azusa on Sunday, May 17. Good luck to the Temple City's finalists!



Live Oak Park and Temple City Park Facility Master Plans

Staff continues to work with Community Works Design Group to develop facility master plans for Live Oak Park and Temple City Park. The plans, once adopted by the City Council, will serve as a guiding document for future renovation and development of the City's existing parks. The consultant has received input from the community and various park users groups and is also relying on information contained the 2014 Parks and Open Space Master Plan to assist in developing the facility master plans. The Parks and Recreation Commission is expected to review the final draft plans on June 17 or July 15.

Registration for Summer Recreation Programs Underway

Registration is currently being accepted at the Live Oak Park Annex for the Summer STARS Club and Teen Zone programs. Two sessions of STARS Club will be available for children entering 1st – 6th grade beginning June 15.

STARS Club will be open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Youth entering 7th – 10th grade are encouraged to spend the summer at Teen Zone. Both programs offered supervised activities and field trips.

Registration for the summer youth sports programs begins May 15. Summer Mini-Sports Cam offers boys and girls from 3 ½ - 7 years of age an opportunity to learn and practice new skills in a variety of sports including t-ball, flag football, basketball, and soccer. Four 2-week sessions will be offered beginning June 15. The always popular summer basketball program also begins the week of June 16 for youth 8 – 15 years of age. Registration for both programs will be taken at the Live Oak Park Community Center, or online at www.templecity.us.

If you're planning to attend the annual overnight campout at Live Oak Park, Camp-A-Palooza, mark June 1st on your calendar. Registration begins June 1 for Camp-A-Palooza. Only a limited number of "camp-sites" are available so early registration is recommended.

For additional information on these or other recreation programs please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (626) 579-0461.

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