

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rosso called the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 5938 Kauffman Avenue, Temple City.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner- Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso

ALSO PRESENT: Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs
Parks and Recreation Supervisor Koski
Tree Crew Lead Worker Cruse

ABSENT: Commissioner Wen

Commissioner Haddad moved to excuse Commissioner Wen for cause, seconded by Vice-Chairman Georgino and unanimously carried.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Rosso led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2015

Recommended Action: Approved

B. MONTHLY ATTENDANCE/ACTIVITY REPORTS – OCTOBER 2015

Recommended Action: Receive and filed

Vice-Chairman Georgino moved to receive the Consent Calendar, seconded by Commissioner Haddad and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso

NOES: Commissioner-None

ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen

ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF A VALLEY OAK (QUERCUS LOBATA) TREE LOCATED AT 9836 ESTRELLA AVENUE

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs presented the staff report.

Chuang Chen, resident at 9836 Estrella addressed the Commission citing their desire having the tree removed due to cultural beliefs. She stated the tree is constricting the flow of positive energy and referenced subsection #8 from the Temple City Municipal Code 3-4D-9. Ms. Chen stated the tree was not planted when the home was purchased more than 10 years ago.

Commissioner Haddad asked if the tree could be replanted.

City Arborist Rob Cruse confirmed the tree was planted at the location approximately 10 years ago. He added it would be a high risk to relocate the tree. The tree has a life span up to 150 years.

The Commission discussed the intent of subsection 8 of the TCMC 3-4D, *obstructing proposed improvements so as to restrict economic enjoyment of the adjacent property, including the construction or safe use of a driveway or parking space for which a permit has been issued, unless such tree has been designated as an exceptional specimen tree.*

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs stated the intent of subsection 8 was for sidewalk or driveway improvements.

Vice-Chairman Georgino moved to deny the appeal submitted by Chuang-Pay Chen and Pi-Yu Liu to remove a Valley Oak tree located at 9836 Estrella Avenue, seconded by Chairman Rosso and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Rosso
NOES: Commissioner-Haddad
ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen
ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs notified the property owners that the decision can be repealed to the City Council within 10 days.

B. REQUEST FROM GREAT ENLIGHTENMENT LOCUS SOCIETY (GELS) FOR RESERVED USE OF THE PERFORMING ARTS PAVILION AND GRASS AREAS AT TEMPLE CITY PARK FOR A CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs presented the staff report.

Charles Wang representing GELS, provided a background of their non-profit organization and the benefits to the community. He notified the Commission that due to the Farmers Market held on Sundays, they would like to request a date change for the event to Saturday, February 13, 2016. GELS representatives have contacted several possible locations in Arcadia to hold the event however were unsuccessful in securing a venue.

The Commission heard various details of last year's event held at Temple City Park.

Vice-Chairman Georgino moved to approve the request from Great Enlightenment Locus Society (GELS) for reserved use of the Performing Arts Pavilion and grass areas at Temple City Park for a Chinese New Year Festival on Saturday, February 13, 2016 subject to availability, including one bouncer and a maximum of 30 food and informational booths. Approval includes one additional staff person on site during the reserved use subject to payment of all fees and deposits and submittal of the Certificate of Insurance at least two weeks prior to the event, seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso
NOES: Commissioner-None
ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen
ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

C. REQUEST FROM TEMPLE CITY AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION (AYSO) FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW FOOD TRUCKS AND AN INFLATABLE SOCCER GOAL AT LIVE OAK PARK ON NOVEMBER 21, 2015 FOR THEIR CLOSING CEREMONIES

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Koski presented the staff report.

Commissioner Haddad moved to approve the request from Temple City American Youth Soccer Organization to allow food trucks and an inflatable soccer goal at Live Oak Park on November 21, 2015 for their closing ceremonies, seconded by Chairman Rosso and unanimously carried by a voice call vote:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso
NOES: Commissioner-None
ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen
ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

D. REQUEST FROM TEMPLE CITY AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO HANG BANNERS AT LIVE OAK PARK TO PUBLICIZE REGISTRATION FOR THEIR 2016 SEASON

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Koski presented the staff report.

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs provided clarification on the City's street banner policy as it relates to the policy for banners at Live Oak Park and the upcoming closure of the athletic fields at Live Oak Park.

Temple City Amateur Softball Association representative provided information to the Commission regarding the request.

Vice-Chairman Georgino moved to approve the request from Temple City Amateur Softball Association for authorization to hang a banner on the Live Oak Park tennis courts for a 3-week period and one banner to be hung on the softball diamond backstop during the regular TCASA 2016 season, seconded by Commissioner Baroldi and unanimously carried by a voice call vote.:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso
NOES: Commissioner-None
ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen
ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

E. REVIEW OF LIVE OAK PARK JOGGING PATH PLANS

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs presented the staff report.

The Commission reviewed and discussed various details of the plans.

Chairman Rosso moved to recommend approval of the design plans for the Live Oak Park jogging path to the City Council, seconded by Commissioner Haddad and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioner-Baroldi, Georgino, Haddad, Rosso
NOES: Commissioner-None
ABSENT: Commissioner-Wen
ABSTAIN: Commissioner-None

8. COMMUNICATIONS – None

9. ADDITIONAL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chairman Rosso opened public comments.

Chairman Rosso closed public comments.

10. MATTERS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

A. PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Parks and Recreation Director Burroughs provided a brief review of recent events including the success of the Veterans Day Celebration as well as upcoming events scheduled in December. She recapped the Los Angeles

Countywide Park Needs Assessment and the Community Engagement meeting scheduled for January 7, 2016, 7 p.m. in the Live Oak Park Community Center.

11. COMMISSION ITEMS SEPARATE FROM THE REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSIONER BAROLDI stated the Veterans Celebration was a success and nicely attended.

B. COMMISSIONER HADDAD enjoyed the Halloween Carnival which was very well attended.

C. COMMISSIONER WEN

D. VICE-CHAIRMAN GEORGINO stated the Veterans Day event was outstanding. She attended the sports ad hoc meeting adding the organizations were cooperative and easy to work with. She attended training for Parks Needs Assessment and asked the Commissioners to encourage residents to attend.

E. CHAIRMAN ROSSO concurred with the Commissioner Baroldi.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m. to the Parks and Recreation Regular Commission Meeting of Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 5938 Kauffman Avenue.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary