



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

For the period of March 4 – March 18, 2016

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: March 4, 2016

FROM: Bryan Cook, City Manager

THE WEEKS AHEAD

March 8 **Closed Session Council Meeting- Conference with Labor Negotiator, 6:15 p.m., City Council Conference Room- City Hall**
More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 285-2171 ext.4132

March 8 **Planning Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers -**
More info: Community Development Department, (626) 656-7316

- A Conditional Use Permit for a new wireless facility located at 5319 Halifax Road and;
- A modification for an existing Conditional Use Permit for a façade modification located at 9055 Las Tunas Drive

March 9 **Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers**
More info: Community Development Department, (626) 285-2171 ext.4345

- The Transportation and Public Safety Commission will discuss parking citations.

March 15 **City Council Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers**
More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 656-7314

The City Council will consider the following item:

- City Council Reorganization;
- General Services Agreement with Los Angeles County;
- Live Oak Park Walking Path;
- Approval of Final Map for 4857 Arden Drive; and
- Approval of Parcel Map No. 73053 for 6050 Hart Avenue.

March 16 **Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers**
More info: Parks & Recreation Department, (626) 579-0461

Mar. 24 Youth Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Council Chambers

More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 656-7314

Committee Members will receive updates from City Commission Liaisons and working groups.

March 30 Monthly Meeting: Law Enforcement Summary Meeting, 7:00-8:00 a.m., Community Room- City Hall

More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 656-7314

OF INTEREST

Camellia Festival

The 72nd annual Camellia Festival was, financially, the most successful Camellia Festival ever. The weather was great throughout the weekend leading to a large crowd. The new carnival rides were a big hit. Live performances in the Performing Arts Pavilion kept carnival goers entertained. The City of Temple City and the Temple City Camellia Festival thank all organizations participating in this year's event as well as the thousands of individuals, groups, and bands that attended the carnival and marched in the parade.



Arbor Day

The annual Arbor Day event will be held on Wednesday, March 9th at Live Oak Park. The event will begin at 1:00 p.m. with a welcome, the pledge of allegiance, a reading of the Proclamation signed by Mayor Tom Chavez and 5 poems honoring trees. After the readings, Rob Cruse, the City's Arborist, will teach the group about the importance of trees and the many functions they have. Those in attendance will be separated into smaller groups and will enjoy a tree climbing demonstration, wood carving demonstration, 2 craft areas, a tree climbing inflatable, and 3 educational stations. Food for all in attendance will follow.

Senior Easter Eggstravaganza

On Friday, March 25th seniors participating in our Easter Eggstravaganza will have an eggstravagant time decorating Easter eggs, playing trivia games and hanging out with your peeps during the lunch program! For lunch, participants will have a choice of salmon in mustard dill sauce or smoked chicken. The program is open to seniors age 60 and over. Completed intake form for new participants is required. The cost of the program is a suggested \$3 donation. To reserve a lunch for the program please call (626) 579-0461. Reservations for the program must be made by Wednesday, March 23. For more information, call Roman Rodriguez at (626) 579-0461.

Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast

On Saturday March 26th the City of Temple City's annual Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast will take place at Live Oak Park. A delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and juice will be served from 8:30 – 11 a.m. for \$3 per person (\$2 for children under 12 years).

Little egg hunters 9 years and under will have the opportunity to gather treats in the hunt areas starting at 9:45 a.m. Hunt areas will be separated by ages with hunts beginning at the following times:

- 4-5 years - 9:45 am
- 6-7 years - 10:15 am
- 8-9 years - 10:45 am

At the conclusion of each hunt a special raffle will be held for each age group. Toddlers, 1-3 years, will have their own dedicated free roaming hunt area for photo opportunities. Don't forget to bring your own Easter basket for the hunt!

The Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast will include other activities as well - arts and crafts, face painting, petting zoo, magic show and more.



Spring Camp

Spring is here, which means Spring Break Camp has officially started taking registration. This year's Spring Camp will take place Monday, March 28th – Friday, April 1st. There will be two different camps, one for children in grades K-6 and another camp for 6th-10th graders. Each camp will feature age appropriate activities, crafts, games and special events as well as a field trip to Pacific Park on Wednesday, March 30th. Registration is currently being taken at the Live Oak Park Annex. The fee is \$110 per person. For further information, please call (626) 656-7321.

Spring Fling

The annual Spring Fling, for youth 10 - 14 years of age, will be held at Live Oak Park on Friday, April 1st from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Pre-sale tickets are already on sale at each STARS Club site as well as the Live Oak Park Community Center and Annex. This year's event will be better than ever with a Live DJ, outdoor laser tag, gyroscope, photo booth, joust arena, hair coloring stations and caricature artists. Tickets for the event are \$10 pre-sale and \$15 at the door.

Live Oak Park Walking Path

On March 1st bids were opened for construction of the highly anticipated rubberized walking path at Live Oak Park. Unfortunately all bids were significantly over budget. The City Council will be considering a recommendation from staff to reject all bids and direct staff to re-bid the project with a revised scope of work and/or deductive alternates. Even with the revised scope, the community will see a ½ mile rubberized track circling Live Oak Park. New drinking fountains, pet waste stations, and other amenities will be included, but may be installed at a later date. Construction is expected to begin in late spring with the walking path being completed and open to the public this summer.

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held on March 17 in Area 3, which includes the neighborhoods bound by Lemon Ave., Eastern City Limit., Las Tunas Dr., and Temple City Blvd. The meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. at Temple Beth David, 9677 Longden Ave. Please see the 2016 Neighborhood Watch Meeting schedule on the City's website for a list of future meetings. For more information, contact the Public Safety Division at (626) 285-2171, or visit <http://www.templecity.us/>

Temple City Sales Tax Update

Third quarter sales tax (from July to September 2015) shows a slight decrease in sales receipts (0.8%) from the same period one year prior. More information can be found in the attached report.

New Residential Development

On Tuesday, February 9, the Planning Commission approved a 28-unit residential condominium development located at 5654 and 5657 McCulloch Avenue. The project is located on two properties on opposite sides of the street totaling 1.86 acres. The development consists of attached and detached units ranging from 1,149 to 1,625 square feet of living area with each unit having their own two-car garage. Below is a view from McCulloch Avenue looking at the main building comprising of 12 units with a courtyard in the middle.



For more information regarding the project, contact Adam Gulick at (626) 656-7316.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Youth Committee

The Youth Committee successfully promoted their Water Conservation/ Preservation objective with the support from the East Pasadena Water Company, Golden State Water Company, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, and Sunny Slope Water Company, over the Camellia Festival weekend. Camellia Festival participants tested their water usage knowledge for daily chores such as dish washing, car washing, taking a shower, and brushing their teeth, and walked away with tips on how to save water the next time they perform those chores. Community youth also made a pledge to conserve water.

Community Development Updates

The Community Preservation Division has been busy reminding property owners to remove their holiday decorations. In the last two months, the Officers have reminded 60 property owners to take down their displays. The Officers will continue to keep an eye out for these cases while turning their focus to overgrown vegetation and weeds. With recent rains followed by hot weather we have seen the number of these types of complaints increase. The Officers will be focusing first on sites that received a notice last year and then expand their focus citywide. In addition the building inspector will be keeping reminding contractors as inspects various sites. If you notice any sites where the owner may need a reminder, please contact Community Preservation at (626) 285-5240.

Attached are the Planning Division Weekly Updates for the weeks [February 16](#), [February 22](#), and [February 29](#) and the Community Development Monthly Update for the month of February [CDD Monthly Report](#)

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