

**CITY COUNCIL  
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 3, 2021**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Councilmember – Chavez, Man, Vizcarra, Sternquist, Yu

ABSENT: Councilmember - None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Cook, City Attorney Murphy, City Clerk Kuo, Deputy City Clerk Nunez, Administrative Assistant to the City Council and City Manager Flores, Administrative Services Director Paragas, Community Development Director Reimers, Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto, and Public Safety Supervisor Ariizumi

**3. INVOCATION** – Pastor Darrel Kelty, Temple City Community of Christ, located at 5851 Temple City Blvd, provided the invocation.

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

**5. CEREMONIAL MATTERS – PRESENTATIONS**

**A. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION - RINGO H. W. CHIU**

City Council recognized Mr. Ringo Chiu for his dedication to photojournalism and congratulated him on his photo contribution to the Associated Press Team that won the 2021 Pulitzer Prize for Breaking News Photography.

**B. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION - MODERN LIGHTING**

City Council recognized Modern Lighting, located at 9034 E. Las Tunas Drive, #1834, Temple City, on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and expressed appreciation for their service to the community.

**C. TEMPLE CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE QUARTERLY REPORT**

Peter Choi, President/CEO of Temple City Chamber of Commerce, provided a

verbal quarterly update of chamber activities and events.

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

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Man made a motion to approve the consent calendar items. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sternquist and approved by the following votes:

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

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The City Council is requested to review and approve:

1. [The Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of July 20, 2021](#); and
2. [The Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 20, 2021](#).

Action: Approved.

**B. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2021 RELAY FOR LIFE OF TEMPLE CITY**

Relay for Life is a community-based fundraising event of the American Cancer Society where team members take turns walking around a track or designated path. The organizers are once again requesting the City's co-sponsorship of the event and use of Temple City Park.

Action:

1. Approved a request from the American Cancer Society to co-sponsor the Relay for Life of Temple City at Temple City Park on November 6, 2021; and
2. Waived all fees and deposits associated with the installment of a promotional event street banner and use of Temple City Park, the Performing Arts Pavilion, and City Hall Community Room for event activities.

**C. PETTY CASH REPORT**

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

Action: Received and filed.

**D. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-5543 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21**

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 21-5543 authorizing the payment of bills.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-5543.

**E. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-5544 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22**

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 21-5544 authorizing the payment of bills.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 21-5544.

**8. PUBLIC HEARING – None**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. PUBLIC ART DONATION**

The City Council is requested to consider a donation of 6 art sculptures and the cost to remove, transport, store and re-install all 6 art pieces.

City Manager Cook gave a brief introduction on the City's policy relating to accepting donations.

Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto gave a brief summary of the staff report.

City Council asked questions and made comments.

Ms. Trudi Sparnicht made comments and answered City Council questions regarding the art pieces.

Mayor Yu opened public comment. Hearing no request to speak, Mayor Yu closed public comments.

City Council made final comments regarding the art sculptures.

Councilmember Chavez made a motion to continue this item to the next meeting to allow staff to bring back additional information for Council consideration. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sternquist and approved by the following votes:

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

ABSTAINED: Councilmember – None

**11. UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER** – remarked on the delta variant, masking requirement, and the vaccination rate in the city. City Manager Cook also commented on the City’s online and in person appointment service, Concerts in the Park and Movies at the Park, briefly talked about the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and the infrastructure bill including an earmark for road improvement for Temple City thanks to Congresswoman Chu (i.e., Lower Azusa, Baldwin and Santa Anita).

**12. UPDATE FROM CITY ATTORNEY** – remarked that federal regulation governing the ARPA funds may be available by early September, commented on the mask requirement imposed by New York, and provided a status regarding Senate Bill 9 and 10.

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

**A. SCHOOL DISTRICT/CITY STANDING COMMITTEE**

(Councilmember Man and Councilmember Chavez) – Formed 1/3/2012

The standing committee reported out on their Friday, July 29, 2021 meeting and received updates from the school district regarding their plan for the Fall semester and the implementation of a later start time for the schools. The standing committee also talked about future facilities joint use agreement and testing requirement for all school staff and students.

**B. LAS TUNAS DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

(Councilmember Chavez and Mayor Yu) – Formed 2/18/2014

No report.

**C. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY PROPERTIES STANDING COMMITTEE**

(Mayor Yu and Councilmember Man) – Formed 2/18/2014

No report.

**D. AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE**

(Councilmember Chavez and Mayor Yu) – Formed 7/15/2014

No report.

**E. FACILITIES, PUBLIC WORKS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE**

(Mayor Yu and Councilmember Man) – Formed 4/4/2017

No report.

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

No report.

- G. CITY BASED HOMELESS PLAN STANDING COMMITTEE  
(Councilmember Vizcarra and Mayor Pro Tem Sternquist) – Formed 3/16/21

No report.

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

- A. COUNCILMEMBER VIZCARRA – None

- B. COUNCILMEMBER CHAVEZ – commented on Concerts in the Park and reminded everyone to stay vigilant regarding exposure to COVID even if fully vaccinated.

- C. COUNCILMEMBER MAN – commented on the Delta variant and also encouraged the community to follow health guidance even if fully vaccinated. As the Council’s liaison to the Chamber of Commerce, he reported that the Chamber Board will be addressing Mr. Choi’s (i.e., Chamber President/CEO) request to receive a certain percent of commission for any grants that he writes and successfully brings to the chamber.

- D. MAYOR PRO TEM STERNQUIST – encouraged everyone to get vaccinated if possible and to follow the health guidelines even if fully vaccinated.

- E. MAYOR YU – None

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

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

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Vincent Yu, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Peggy Kuo, City Clerk