

**CITY COUNCIL
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 17, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sternquist called the City Council Regular Meeting to order at 7:43 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 5938 Kauffman Avenue, Temple City.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmember – Chavez, Vizcarra, Yu (telephonically), Man, Sternquist

ABSENT: Councilmember – None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Cook, City Attorney Gutierrez, City Clerk Kuo, Community Development Director Reimers and Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto

3. INVOCATION – Pastor Keltly, Community of Christ, provided the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mr. Carl Blum led the pledge of allegiance.

5. CEREMONIAL MATTERS – PRESENTATION – None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Jing Li, Temple City Library Manager, announced upcoming library events and activities for the month of February.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Chavez made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Items. Seconded by Councilmember Vizcarra and approved by the following votes:

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

NOES: Councilmember – None

ABSTAINED: Councilmember – None

ABSENT: 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 January 3, 2023](#); and
2. [The Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 3, 2023](#).

Action:

1. Approved the Minutes of the Special and Regular City Council Meeting of January 3, 2023; and
2. Found that the City Council Minutes is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15061(b)(3).

[B. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION ACTIONS](#)

The City Council is requested to receive and file the actions of the Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023.

Action:

1. Received and filed the Parks and Recreation Commission Actions; and
2. Found that the Commission Actions is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15061(b)(3).

[C. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS TO BE HELD REMOTELY PURSUANT TO AB 361](#)

City Council is requested to consider the safety and procedural issues involved in holding remote meetings pursuant to AB 361 and to adopt Resolution No. 23-5651 to authorize the Council and Commissions to meet virtually or via a hybrid of in-person and virtual attendance through February 15, 2023.

Action:

1. Reviewed use of teleconferencing or videoconferencing for Brown Act-covered public meetings of the City Council and City commissions;
2. Adopted Resolution No. 23-5651 to authorize the use of such technology for meetings until February 15, 2023; and
3. Found that adoption of Resolution 23-5651 authorizing the use of such technology for meetings until February 15, 2023 exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15061(b)(3).

[D. VISA CARD REPORT](#)

The City Council is requested to receive and file the Visa Card Report.

Action:

1. Received and filed; and
2. Found that receiving and filing the Visa Card Report is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3).

E. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 23-5650 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 23-5650 authorizing the payment of bills.

Action:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 23-5650; and
2. Found that adoption of the resolution authorizing the payment of bills is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3).

8. PUBLIC HEARING

A. ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS AND ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

The City Council is requested to hold a public hearing regarding the proposed allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

City Manager Cook gave a brief overview for the fund allocation of the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2023-24 and stated that based on previous City Council interest and feedback, staff can bring back an item in a future meeting for City Council's consideration and discussion, to use ARPA fund to provide additional funding to supplement CDBG programs.

Associate Planner Gulick presented a summary of the staff report.

City Council asked questions about the programs funded by the CDBG funding.

Mayor Sternquist opened public hearing. Hearing no request to speak, Mayor Sternquist closed public hearing.

City Council made no further comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Man made a motion to:

1. Authorize the City Manager to amend CDBG-funded program allocations up to 50 percent of the approved allocation as necessary throughout the FY;
2. Adopt Resolution 23-5649 establishing the CDBG-funded programs and allocations below for FY 23-24 (Attachment "A"). The total CDBG Budget for FY 23-24 includes the estimated allocation of \$230,079 and unallocated prior years' funds of \$112,768 for a total of \$342,847; and
 - i. Housing Rehabilitation Loan & Handyworker Grant Program: \$250,000
 - ii. Asbestos Testing and Removal Program: \$ 47,847
 - iii. Youth Scholarship Program: \$ 45,000

Total FY 23-24 CDBG Budget: \$342,847
3. Find that approval of the CDBG funds allocation is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301(d).

Seconded by Councilmember Chavez and approved by the following votes:

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

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION – RESIDENTIAL ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATIONS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The City Council is requested to adopt the proposed guidelines for the City's Residential Accessibility Modifications Program.

City Manager Cook commented that the proposed Residential Accessibility Modifications Program Guidelines was updated with City Council's input and stated that the guidelines will be submitted to the Los Angeles County Development Authority for approval.

Associate Planner Gulick presented a summary of the staff report.

City Council made comments and asked questions regarding the proposed guidelines.

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

City Council made final comments and discussed that City Manager may increase the maximum grant amount, up to 20 percent, for a project if it is found that additional or unexpected work is required during demolition or construction (i.e., discovering termite damage, dry rot, mold, or structural improvements required by the Building Official). Such situations must be related to the original scope of work and must be unknown prior to work commencing.

Councilmember Chavez made a motion to:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 23-5648 approving the guidelines for the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program with added language giving the City Manager authority to approve additional funding up to 20% of the maximum grant amount if a project is found to require additional or unexpected work related to the original scope of work during demolition or construction; and
2. Find that the adoption of the City's PLHA Program guidelines are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15061(b)(3).

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Man and approved by the following votes:

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

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC ART PROPOSAL FOR GOLD AWARD PROJECT

City Council is requested to consider a proposal for public art along the Rosemead Boulevard corridor.

City Manager Cook gave a brief introduction of the proposed public art project.

Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto presented a summary of the staff report. He also added that he would like City Council's consideration, at a future meeting, to add an engraved placard with the inspiration for each piece of the artwork and giving credit to the artist. Ms. Keelin answered City Council questions.

City Council made comments and asked questions about the proposed art project.

Mayor Sternquist opened public comment.

Mr. Blum, Temple City resident, spoke in favor of the public art project.

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

City Council made final comments.

Councilmember Vizcarra made a motion to:

1. Approve a public art installation along the Rosemead Boulevard corridor, allocate Art in Public Places funds to cover the project costs, and add an additional \$1,500 to the total cost of the art project to use towards informational placard for each art piece; and
2. Find that approval of the public art installation is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15311.

Seconded by Councilmember Mayor Pro Tem Man and approved by the following votes:

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

11. UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER – commented briefly on the upcoming housing legislations and invited the public to the upcoming Neighborhood Watch meeting at Emperor Elementary School this Thursday.

12. UPDATE FROM CITY ATTORNEY – gave a brief explanation for the addition of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) language on the staff reports and meeting agenda.

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

No report.

B. AUDIT STANDING COMMITTEE
(Councilmember Chavez and Councilmember Yu) – Formed 7/15/2014

No report.

C. FACILITIES, PUBLIC WORKS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE

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

No report.

D. PRIMROSE PARK ART ELEMENT AD HOC

(Councilmember Vizcarra and Councilmember Yu) – Formed 5/19/20

No report.

E. CITY BASED HOMELESS PLAN STANDING COMMITTEE

(Councilmember Vizcarra and Mayor Sternquist) – Formed 3/16/21

No report.

F. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY PROPERTY AT 9050 LAS TUNAS DRIVE

(Mayor Pro Tem Man and Mayor Sternquist) – Formed 5/17/22

No report.

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

A. COUNCILMEMBER VIZCARRA – None

B. COUNCILMEMBER YU – wished everyone a happy Lunar New Year.

C. COUNCILMEMBER CHAVEZ – None

D. MAYOR PRO TEM MAN – announced that City and School District Standing Committee will be meeting this Thursday at 4 p.m.

E. MAYOR STERNQUIST – None

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

16. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Cynthia Sternquist, Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy Kuo, City Clerk