



# CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

For the period of March 4, 2016 – March 18, 2016

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TO: The Honorable City Council

ISSUE DATE: March 18, 2016

FROM: Bryan Cook, City Manager

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## THE WEEKS AHEAD

March 22 Planning Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers - CANCELLED

**More info: Community Development Department, (626) 656-7316**

March 23 Transportation and Public Safety Commission Meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers - CANCELLED

**More info: Community Development Department, (626) 285-2171 ext.4345**

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

**More info: City clerk's Office, (626) 285-2171, ext. 4131**

The Youth Committee will consider the following items:

- Working Group Update;
- City Commission Update; and
- Recruitment for Committee Member seats expiring in June.

April 5 City Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers

**More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 285-2171, ext. 4131**

The City Council will consider the following items:

- Mayor's Council appointment to outside organizations;
- Award of an Audit Contract;
- Renewal of Service Contract with Transtech; and
- Ordinance for Water Efficient Landscape.

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

**More info: City Clerk's Office, (626) 285-2171, ext. 4131**

The City Council will consider the following items:

- Approval of Fireworks Permit.

## OF INTEREST

### Restaurant Closure

Hometown Buffet filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, resulting in 173 store closures nationwide, including the one in the Kmart shopping center. Staff has reached out to the property owner, and updates will be provided in subsequent reports.

### Downtown Parking Concepts

Next Friday, the Future Development of City Properties Standing Committee will convene to review concepts for a new public parking lot at 5800 Temple City Blvd., as well as ideas for 5900 block of Primrose Ave. The March 25 meeting begins at 11 a.m. in the City Hall Council Conference Room.

### Scheduled Power Outages

This Sunday, March 20, traffic signals at four Temple City intersections will be affected by scheduled power outages:

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cloverly Ave. and Las Tunas Dr.  
Garibaldi Ave. and Rosemead Blvd.  
Longden Ave. and Temple City Blvd.

8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Alessandro Ave. and Las Tunas Dr.

During signal outages, traffic will be controlled by temporary stop signs. Motorists should treat these intersections as a four-way stop.

The power outages are due to Southern California Edison performing maintenance on its system.

**THE POWER OUTAGES HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED. THERE WILL BE NO POWER OUTAGES ON MARCH 20.**

### **Arbor Day**

The annual Arbor Day celebration was held on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at Live Oak Park. Those in attendance learned about trees and the many functions they have; and enjoyed a tree climbing demonstration, wood carving demonstrations and free crafts. Educational booths were available as well as free hot dogs and chips.



### **Senior Easter Eggstravaganza**

On Friday, March 25 the senior lunch program celebrates Easter! The Easter Bunny will be stopping by to drop off plenty of goodies for all to enjoy. Participants will also have the opportunity to decorate their own Easter eggs to take home. The menu for the day will include a choice between salmon in mustard dill sauce or smoked chicken. The program is open to seniors age 60 and over. Completed intake form for new participants required. The cost of the program is a suggested three-dollar donation. To reserve a lunch for the program please call (626) 579-0461. Reservations for the program must be made by Wednesday, March 23.

### **March Madness in Temple City**

The City's youth basketball league wraps up this weekend with "Championship Saturday" on March 19. The champions in each division, from "Mini's" (3 ½ - 5 years) through "A" (7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade) will be crowned. Games begin at 9 a.m. at

Oak Avenue gymnasium for the mini, clinic, and "C" divisions. "B" and "A" championship games will be played at Temple City High School's gymnasium at 4:00, 5:30, and 7:00 p.m.

"A", "B", and "C" teams are participating in the San Gabriel Valley – SCMAF (Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation) tournament in the City of Azusa this week. All-stars were selected for the 6 teams (3 boys & 3 girls). So far, Temple City is doing very well with 5 of the 6 teams advancing to the semi-finals. Any team that wins the San Gabriel Valley tournament advances to the SCMAF finals.



### **Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast**

Children 9 years and under are invited to Live Oak Park on March 26<sup>th</sup> for the City of Temple City's annual Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast. 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 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.

Toddlers, 1-3 years, will have their own dedicated free roaming hunt area for photo opportunities.

In addition to the hunts, participants can enjoy free arts and crafts, face painting, a petting zoo, magic show and more.

### **Youth Committee**

Thanks to the support and generosity of the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and EcoTech Services, Inc., the Youth Committee secured five rain barrels and donated them to Temple City High School for use in its drought tolerant gardens. The Youth Committee will work with the school's Environmental Club to decorate the barrels to bring awareness to the youth in the community of different ways to preserve and make efficient use of water.



### **Spring Fling**

The annual Spring Fling, for youth 10 - 14 years of age, will be held at Live Oak Park on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Pre-sale tickets are 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.

### **City Commissioner Recruitment**

The City is accepting applications to fill nine seats on the following four City Commissions:

**Two seats on the Planning Commission**, which has decision-making authority on a variety of development proposals. Commissioners advise on programs, policies and issues relating to planning, development and land use regulation. Interested candidates should be residents and qualified electors of the city at the time of their appointment to office and members

shall be required to remain residents and qualified electors of the city during their entire period of service on the commission. The Commission meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**Two seats on the Transportation and Public Safety Commission**, which makes decisions on administrative and parking citations, and develops recommendations regarding the administration of public safety programs. Interested candidates should be residents and qualified electors of the city at the time of their appointment to office and members shall be required to remain residents and qualified electors of the city during their entire period of service on the commission. The Commission meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**Two seats on the Parks and Recreation Commission**, which makes recommendations on the development and oversight of the City's parks facilities and recreational programming. Interested candidates should be residents and qualified electors of the city at the time of their appointment to office and members shall be required to remain residents and qualified electors of the city during their entire period of service on the commission. The Commission meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**Three seats on the Public Arts Commission**, which serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council and makes recommendations to fund mechanisms for public art, and evaluate the design and selection of public art installations. Interested candidates should be visual arts professionals (e.g. curator, arts educator, architect, design professional), practicing professional artists, or those just interested in public art. The commission meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Deadline to submit an application is Apr. 29. Those selected to the Commissions will serve without compensation for a term of two years, effective Jul. 1. For more information and an application, contact the City Clerk's office at (626) 285-2171.

### **Youth Committee Recruitment**

Youth Committee will be recruiting for Committee Member seats expiring June 30, 2016. Application and information regarding qualifications will be available on April 1 on City's website. Those interested is strongly encouraged to attend an informational session on April 21, Thursday, 5:30 p.m.



Any questions regarding the Youth Committee and upcoming events, please contact the City Clerk's Office by emailing [pkuo@templecity.us](mailto:pkuo@templecity.us) or call the City Clerk Office at 626-285-2171 ext 4132.

### **Public Hearing Items**

On Tuesday, March 8, the Planning Commission continued a modification of an existing conditional use permit for exterior improvements at 9055 Las Tunas Drive (Bistro Na's) to April 12, 2016 and approved a wireless telecommunications facility camouflaged as a pine tree (monopine) at 5319 Halifax Road. For more information regarding the above, contact Adam Gulick at (626) 656-7316.

### **Community Development Updates**

Attached are the Planning Division Weekly Updates for the weeks of [March 7](#) and [March 14](#).

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