



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

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THE WEEKS AHEAD

Nov. 6 Event: End of Daylight Savings Time

2 a.m., Statewide

Don't forget to "fall back" and turn your clocks back one hour.

Nov. 8 Event: Statewide General Election

7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Remember to cast your vote! Find your polling location at lavote.net.

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Meeting: Community Development Director's Hearing

5:00 p.m., Council Chambers

Up for discussion: a major site plan review for two new dwelling units on a R-2 zoned lot at 6132 Kauffman Ave. and a major site plan review for a façade improvement and 477 square foot addition at an orthodontist office at 9909 Las Tunas Dr.

Meeting: Planning Commission

7:30 p.m., Council Chambers

Up for discussion: a conditional use permit for a restaurant serving beer and wine at 9549 Las Tunas Dr., a conditional use permit for a restaurant (Green Zone) at Camellia Square (5728 Rosemead Blvd., Unit 106), and a conditional use permit and major site plan review for a new public parking lot at 5800 Temple City Blvd.

Nov. 9 Meeting: Transportation and Public Safety Commission

7:30 p.m., Council Chambers

Up for discussion: parking citation hearings.

Nov. 10 Event: Senior Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

11 a.m., Live Oak Park Community Center

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Nov. 11 Holiday: Veterans Day

City offices are closed. Live Oak Park Community Center will open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., however, regularly schedule programming is cancelled.

Event: Veterans Day Celebration

9-11:30 a.m., Temple City Park

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Nov. 15 Meeting: City Council

7:30 p.m., Council Chambers

Newsy item: First quarter budget updates.

Nov. 16 Meeting: Parks and Recreation Commission
7:30 p.m., Council Chambers
Newsy item: Appeals of staff's determination to remove city owned trees at 10312 Daines Drive and 6333 Encinita Avenue.

REPORTS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

(submitted by T. Chan)

Rose Queen Victoria Castellanos to be Profiled in Winter CONNECT



TCHS senior Victoria "Tori" Castellanos was recently announced as the 2017 Rose Queen. City staff got the chance to visit the historic Tournament of Roses house to interview Queen Tori who was in the midst of preparing for her Rose Queen duties. Meet this dynamic young lady as she recounts everything from the nerve-wracking tryout process to the moment she was crowned as Rose Queen. Look forward to the next issue of CONNECT hitting mailboxes early December featuring a full profile of the first Rose Queen from Temple City since 1975!



Temple City Deputy Rick Adams Awarded Purple Heart Medal

On Oct. 24, Temple City's own Deputy Richard C. Adams was awarded a Purple Heart Medal at the 2016 L.A. County Sheriff's Department Valor Awards held at USC Galen Center. In 2000, Deputy Adams responded to an illegal shooting call. During the investigation, Deputy Adams was shot and the bullet was ultimately lodged in the upper right side of his chest. For his display of tremendous courage and tenacity by broadcasting information to responding units and for his perseverance in continuing to perform his duties after sustaining such a traumatic injury, Deputy Adams was awarded the prestigious Purple Heart Medal. Temple City will be recognizing Deputy Adams at a future City Council meeting.

CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT

(submitted by P. Kuo)

Statewide General Election

Remember to cast your vote next Tuesday, Nov. 8. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. To find your polling place, log onto www.lavote.net or call the Los Angeles County Registrar/County Clerk at (800) 815-2666 for assistance.

Election results will be updated and posted after ballot process is completed. For updated election results visit www.lavote.net or call the Los Angeles County Registrar/County Clerk at 562-466-1323.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

(submitted by M. Forbes and S. Reimers)

Street Resurfacing Schedule

The City's contractor will begin work this month on about 11 ½ miles of slurry seal street resurfacing. The City Council approved funding for the work in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget using Measure R transportation funds. The resurfacing is being done consistent with the City's Pavement Management Program. More information about the program and street resurfacing efforts is available on the City web site at www.templecity.us/pmp.



The first phase of the work, which involves sealing cracks and removing striping, is expected to begin on Monday, Nov. 7. Work will continue through November and December, and is expected to be completed by the week of Dec. 19, assuming that the weather is cooperative. Since slurry seal cannot be applied to wet pavement, rain could delay the schedule.

Recreational Marijuana Moratorium

On Nov. 1, the City Council adopted a moratorium to temporarily prohibit commercial activities related to recreational marijuana, including but not limited to retail sales, cultivation, and manufacturing. This action was taken in anticipation of California voters considering Proposition 64 – the Control, Regulate, and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act – on Nov. 8. If passed by voters, Proposition 64 would legalize the sale and use of recreational marijuana. The Temple City Municipal Code already prohibits commercial activities related to the cultivation and sale of medical marijuana, and the moratorium extends these prohibitions to apply to recreational marijuana.

Per state law, the moratorium is effective for 45 days, after which it can be extended by the City Council for up to one year. If Proposition 64 is passed by voters, the City Council will consider extending the moratorium on Dec. 6. The moratorium will ensure that recreational marijuana businesses do not begin operating in Temple City while City staff and the City Attorney's office work to develop permanent regulations regarding recreational marijuana.

The moratorium does not prohibit the personal use of recreational marijuana, or the cultivation indoors of marijuana plants for personal use, as allowed under Proposition 64. Per the terms of the proposition, cities may prohibit commercial activities but may not prohibit personal cultivation and use, subject to specified restrictions.

Owners and Community Preservation Work to Clean Up Another Property

The Community Preservation Officers have another success story. The property owners were approached by the City's Officers and were informed that their yard had excessive junk and debris. The Officers and the owners worked to create a schedule to get the yard cleaned up and trash removed over a period of a few weeks. Every week the Officer would return to make sure progress was being made. Two weeks ago the case was successfully closed. Thank you to the owner for working so hard to get the site cleaned up. The Officers always aim to get compliance without have to resort to issuing citations or even having to prosecute.

Community Preservation Focuses on Inoperable Vehicles

The Community Preservation Officers focused on canvassing neighborhoods for inoperable vehicles in public view over the last two months. During that time, the Officers opened 15 cases (an average month would typically see only one or two cases opened). The Officers have found many of the property owners to be willing to comply. If you see any vehicles that appear to be inoperable, please feel free to contact Community Preservation staff at (626) 285-5240.

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General Plan and Specific Plan Moving Forward

The update to the City's General Plan and the Temple City Crossroad Specific Plan is continuing to move forward. The first phase of the environmental analysis was completed for the General Plan and Specific Plan. The City released an Environmental Initial Study on Sept. 19 and held a meeting on the study on Sept. 29. The public comment period closed on Oct. 18. The City received comments from 12 agencies and more than 15 community members. The City's environmental consultant will review the comment letters and incorporate their comments into the Draft Environmental Impact Report, which will be released in early 2017. The City will host a community meeting on the General Plan, Specific Plan, and EIR once drafts of all three of those documents are complete.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT *(submitted by C. Burroughs).*

Veterans Appreciation Lunch

The senior lunch program will honor local veterans over lunch on Thursday, November 10th. Patriotic decorations will set the mood as we thank and recognize all veterans in attendance. Reservations are required 24 hours in advance by calling (626) 579-0461. A \$3 donation for lunch is requested.

Veterans Day Celebration and Dedication of Veterans Memorial

As construction of the Veterans Memorial in Temple City Park winds down, plans are being finalized for the annual Veterans Day Celebration scheduled for November 11. The dedication of the new memorial will be the highlight of the event. Also scheduled for the celebration, which begins at 10:30 a.m., is a flyover of vintage aircraft, musical performances, and recognition of veterans. The event concludes with a free hot dog lunch. Everyone is invited to attend this event to honor our local veterans and servicemen and women for their dedication and sacrifice.



Upcoming Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Items of interest for the Nov. 16 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission include appeals of staff's determination to remove city owned trees at 10312 Daines Drive and 6333 Encinita Avenue.

The Commission will also consider a request from Great Enlightenment Lotus Society (GELS) for reserved use of the Performing Arts Pavilion and surrounding grass areas at Temple City Park on Feb. 11, 2017 for a Chinese New Year Festival.

Halloween Activities at Live Oak Park



Live Oak Park was host to all sizes and ages of witches, monsters, superheroes, and cartoon characters this past week. On October 29, hundreds of toddlers, families and seniors participated in the Trick or Treat Community Health Fair and the Little Pumpkin Patch. The Health Fair, presented in partnership with Health Care Partners, provided free information and screenings, including bone density, blood pressure and mammograms. Flu shots were also given free of charge. Pre-school age children

wandered through a variety of games and bouncers in the Little Pumpkin Patch.

The main event was held on Monday evening. Over 1,000 children, parents, and grandparents gathered at Live Oak Park for games, raffles, and plenty of free Trick or Treating. Thousands of pounds of wrapped candy was given away as well as gift cards and two bicycles donated by the Kiwanis Club of Temple City.



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