

**CITY COUNCIL  
TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 1, 2022**

**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, Public Safety Supervisor Ariizumi, Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto, Community Development Director Reimers, and Administrative Services Director Paragas

**3. INVOCATION** – Jerry Jambazian, Wonder Cleaner & Draperies, located at 9136 E. Las Tunas Drive, Temple City, provided the invocation.

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

**5. CEREMONIAL MATTERS – PRESENTATIONS**

**A. RED CROSS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Yu proclaimed March Red Cross Month.

**B. PRIMROSE PARK SOFT OPENING VIDEO**

Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto provided an update on the progress of Primrose Park project and shared a video of the park soft opening.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Yu opened public comment.

Lucy Liou, Temple City resident, thanked Council for proclaiming March “Red Cross Month”.

Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in.

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

## **7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

Councilmember Chavez 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 the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of February 15, 2022.

Action: Approved.

### **B. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-5584 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22**

The City Council is requested to adopt Resolution No. 22-5584 authorizing the payment of bills.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 22-5584

## **8. PUBLIC HEARING – None**

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-5583 APPROVING A ONE-TIME LUMP-SUM PAYMENT TO ACTIVE PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES**

With the rising prices and inflation in the costs of necessary consumer expenses during the COVID-19 pandemic, City Council is providing a non-PERsable, one-time lump-sum payment to full-time and part-time employees who had an employment start date with the City on or before October 1, 2021 (i.e. who worked at least three months in 2021) and who remain actively employed with the City through April 14, 2022, when the payment will be distributed.

Administrative Services Director Paragas gave a summary of the staff report and stated that the intent of the one-time payment is to recognize the continued efforts of employees throughout the recent omicron surge in the COVID pandemic.

City Council did not have any questions regarding the presentation.

Mayor Yu opened public comments. With no callers or email request to speak, Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in.

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

City Council made final comments and expressed their appreciation to staff for their work during the pandemic.

Councilmember Chavez made a motion to:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 22-5583 (Attachment "A") approving a one-time \$600 lump-sum payment for active full-time and part-time employees, with a start date on or prior to October 1, 2021, during this time of rising costs and inflation and continued uncertainty involving fluctuating workplace circumstances;
2. Award a similar payment to the City Manager; and
3. Appropriate \$37,320 from the General Fund and \$1,650 from Lighting and Landscape District fund reserves for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 to fund the proposed payments.

Seconded by Councilmember Man and approved by the following votes:

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

**B. FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 22-1060, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA, ADDING SECTION 2-1-9 "CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REGULATIONS" TO CHAPTER 1 "CITY COUNCIL", TITLE 2 "ADMINISTRATION", TO THE TEMPLE CITY MUNICIPAL CODE**

City Council is requested to adopt Ordinance No. 22-1060 establishing City's Campaign Contribution Limit and Provisions.

City Manager Cook gave a brief overview of the ordinance establishing the City's campaign contribution limit.

City Council did not have any questions regarding the staff report or the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Yu opened public comments.

With no callers or email request to speak, Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in.

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

City Council made final comments.

Councilmember Man made a motion to:

1. Introduce for first reading by title only and waive further reading of Ordinance No. 22-1060 (Attachment "A"), adding Section 2-1-9 "Campaign Contribution Regulations" to Chapter 1 "City Council", Title 2 "Administration"; and
2. Schedule the second reading of Ordinance No. 22-1060 for March 15, 2022.

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

**C. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS TO BE HELD REMOTELY, CONSISTENT WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 361**

The City Council is requested to consider the safety and procedural issues involved in continuing to hold remote meetings pursuant to AB 361 and, if the facts so require, to adopt Resolution No. 22-5585 to authorize the Council and Commissions to meet virtually through March 31, 2022.

City Manager Cook provided a summary of the staff report and remarked on the transmission rate.

City Council made comments and asked questions regarding the virus transmission rate.

Public Safety Supervisor Ariizumi answered City Council questions regarding the COVID virus transmission rate.

Mayor Yu opened public comments.

With no callers or email request to speak, Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in.

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

City Council made final comments about the Omicron transmission rate.

Mayor Pro Tem Sternquist made a motion to adopt attached Resolution No. 22-5585 to authorize the continued use of such technology for meetings for a period of 30 days. Seconded by Councilmember Vizcarra and approved by the following votes:

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

Mayor Pro Tem Sternquist recused herself from the discussion of New Business Item 10D as she has a property located within 500 feet of a vacant site creating a possible conflict of interest.

#### D. DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE MAINTENANCE AND LANDSCAPING OF VACANT SITES

The proposed draft Ordinance seeks to reduce and prevent blight and protect property values by maintaining a safe, vibrant, and an aesthetically pleasing environment throughout Temple City.

Community Development Director Reimers gave a summary of the staff report.

City Council made comments and asked questions about the draft ordinance for the maintenance and landscaping of vacant sites.

Mayor Yu opened public comments.

Jerry Jambazian, Temple City business owner, asked if the ordinance would be applicable to business or residential properties.

With no callers or email request to speak, Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in. Hearing no request to speak, Mayor Yu closed public comment.

City Council asked questions and made comments about the proposed ordinance addressing commercial and residential properties.

City Council directed staff to bring back an ordinance incorporating Council's input on the maintenance and landscaping of vacant properties for Council consideration in a future meeting.

11. **UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER** – Thanked City Council for recognizing staff for their work during the pandemic and the community for their support during the pandemic.
12. **UPDATE FROM CITY ATTORNEY** – Commented briefly on the recent changes to the Governor executive order.
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. **LAS TUNAS DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION STANDING COMMITTEE**  
(Councilmember Chavez and Mayor Yu) – Formed 2/18/2014  
  
Councilmember Chavez requested a meeting to be scheduled to discuss revitalization of Las Tunas Downtown.
  - 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 MAN – recognized staff for their work and commented on the Primrose Park soft opening.
- B. COUNCILMEMBER VIZCARRA – thanked Parks and Recreation Director Matsumoto for his leadership in the Primrose Park Project and is looking forward to the park being open to the public.
- C. COUNCILMEMBER CHAVEZ – commented on the Primrose Park Project, the ever changing rules and regulations regarding the COVID virus transmission data, the proposed ordinance on the maintenance and landscaping of vacant sites, and thanked Mayor Yu for his leadership during the pandemic.
- D. MAYOR PRO TEM STERNQUIST – absent.
- E. MAYOR YU – commented on the Primrose Park Project and thanked staff and consultant for completing the park on schedule and is looking forward to the grand opening of the park.

**15. RECESS TO SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE TEMPLE CITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING**

At 9:51 p.m., the City Council recessed to the Successor Agency Meeting. Minutes of the Successor Agency Meeting are set forth in full in the Successor Agency's records.

**RECONVENE AS CITY COUNCIL**

The City Council meeting was reconvened at 9:55 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

**16. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Yu opened public comment. With no callers or email request to speak, Mayor Yu extended public comment for 1 minute to allow the public to dial in. Hearing no further request to speak, Mayor Yu closed public comment.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

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Vincent Yu, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Peggy Kuo, City Clerk