



City Manager's Weekly Report

For the Week Ending Noon on Thursday, May 20, 2010

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TO: The Honorable City Council

DATE: May 20, 2010

FROM: Jose E. Pulido, City Manager 

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

GENERAL COUNCIL INFORMATION

National Trust for Historic Preservation Grant Opportunity

Through a gift from the Getty Foundation, the National Trust for Historic Preservation established a grant fund to support historic preservation projects in Los Angeles County. The purpose of this grant is to encourage historic preservation at the local level by providing seed money to cities who undertake preservation projects and/or the preparation of a historical resources survey. The maximum grant amount is \$10,000 and grant applications are due by June 15, 2010. I have assigned Community Development Manager Joe Lambert with the task of compiling the necessary information for a grant writer to prepare this grant application to fund a portion of a much needed historical resources survey for Temple City.

Hence, at the City Council meeting of June 1, 2010, or at a special meeting, staff will request that the City Council authorize the submittal of a grant application to the National Trust for Historic Preservation by the June 15, 2010 deadline.

State of California Safe Routes to School Grant Opportunity

In 1999, the State of California established the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) program through the enactment of AB1475. Through the Streets and Highways Code Section 2333.5, the California State Department of Transportation provides grants to cities for the purpose of reducing injuries and fatalities to school children and to encourage students to walk or bike to school. The maximum grant amount is up to \$450,000 and there is a 10% matching amount requirement from the applicant. I have assigned Public Safety Officer Bryan Ariizumi with the task of compiling the necessary information for a grant writer to prepare this grant application.

I will be contacting the Temple City Unified School District Superintendant (i.e., Chelsey Kang-Smith) to coordinate a community meeting to solicit the public's input in order to develop the scope of work for the proposed grant application. This particular grant covers costs associated with the development of: pedestrian facilities; traffic calming measures; traffic control devices; bicycle facilities; and public outreach and education materials.

Hence, at the City Council meeting of July 6, 2010, staff will request that the City Council authorize the submittal of a grant application to the State of California by the July 15, 2010 deadline.

Former Shell Gas Station (9425 Las Tunas Drive) Update

As was previously mentioned in the City Manager's Report of May 6, 2010, I had an opportunity to talk to the ConocoPhillips new business development representative for this area last Friday and he confirmed that this particular location had been approved to become a Unocal 76 gasoline station that would have a mini mart and drive-through car wash in the near future. The next step in the process is for all parties to come to terms on a contract that makes financial sense for both sides. In the interim, this gasoline station will operate as a TIFP gasoline station until the contract is finalized.

The indicated writers have submitted the following items. All have been reviewed and approved (but may have been edited) by the City Manager.

Department of Community Development (Community Development Manager Lambert)

Carl's Jr. Hours of Operation

On May 4, 2010, Councilmember Sternquist requested that staff check into the issue of Carl's Jr. operating 24 hours a day. There were concerns about safety during the late evening and early morning hours of operation. After researching the documents approving the Carl's Jr. restaurant, it was discovered that in 1986, Carl's Jr. applied for a modification of their conditional use permit to add a drive-through to the restaurant. The request was denied by the Planning Commission but was approved by the City Council upon appeal. However, one of the conditions of approval set forth in Resolution No. 86-2684 (attached) states that no drive thru operations are permitted between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. There are no conditions of approval regarding the hours of operation for the restaurant itself. Therefore, Carl's Jr. is currently in violation of their conditional use permit. Staff will contact the store's management to make them aware of the violation. To remedy the situation, Carl's Jr. could apply for a modification of their conditional use permit to change this condition of approval, or they could comply with the permitted drive-through hours of operation.

Department of Management Services (Assistant to the City Manager Flod)

Athens Services Waste Collection Option Survey

Over 8,000 Athens Services Waste Collection Option Surveys were mailed out to residents the last week of April. To date, more than 1,800 surveys (or 22.5%) have been returned by mail, in person, or submitted online and continue to trickle in daily. Three lucky winners picked at random from the surveys that were returned by the contest deadline of May 15, 2010, will receive one year of free trash service. The three winners will be picked at the City Council meeting of June 15, 2010. It will take several weeks for staff to tabulate the results of the survey, and awhile after that to review the many comments that were submitted along with the surveys.

Many thanks to everyone in the community that took the time to carefully read the survey and submit their opinions!

Department of Parks & Recreation (Director of Parks & Recreation Burroughs)

50th Anniversary Events

- The 50th Anniversary Dinner will be held this Friday, May 28, 2010, at St. Luke's Parish Hall. Social Hour is from 6:00–7:00 p.m. with dinner following at 7:00 p.m. The evening will include introductions of dignitaries in attendance, presentations, a slide show and raffles.
- The Community Celebration of the City's 50th anniversary is Saturday. We are expecting a large turnout for this event. Assistance with the barbecue would be greatly appreciated. Grillers should arrive by 3:00 p.m. We will begin serving at 4:00 p.m.
- The dedication of the Walter P. Temple bust will take place between concerts at 6:15 p.m. The dedication ceremony will be on the sidewalk area in front of the bandstand. Immediately following the dedication, the community photo will be shot on the east side of the park. The ceremonial birthday cake will be cut and served just before 7:00 p.m.

Older American Reception

Approximately 45 individuals attended the reception last Saturday to honor Dan Snell, Temple City's Outstanding Older American. Mr. Snell was very appreciative of the recognition.

Youth Committee

The next meeting of the Youth Committee will be held next Friday, May 28, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Live Oak Park Annex. The date and time has been changed due to the Miss Temple City Pageant on May 27, 2010.

Department of Public Services (Public Safety Officer Bryan Ariizumi)

Pedestrian Decoy Operation

On Wednesday morning, a Traffic Law Enforcement Task Force conducted a pedestrian decoy operation at the intersection of Lower Azusa Road and Doreen Avenue. The task force consisted of motorcycle units from the Sheriff's Department, Alhambra Police Department (PD), El Monte PD, Irwindale PD, Monterey Park PD, San Gabriel PD, San Marino PD, and South Pasadena PD. Plain clothes deputies were walking back and forth across Lower Azusa Road while the task force monitored approaching vehicles. Vehicles that failed to yield correctly to the pedestrians were issued citations.

The operation lasted approximately three and a half hours, and 237 citations were issued and seven vehicles were impounded for unlicensed drivers.

Dog License Renewal

Last week and this week, approximately 2,500 dog license renewal notices were sent to residents to remind them that their current license expires on June 30, 2010 and must be renewed for the next licensing period.

The City and Temple City Sister Cities Association will also be co-hosting our annual rabies clinic on July 9, 2010 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in Temple City Park.

PREVIEW OF UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

JUNE 1, 2010 MEETING

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission Actions of May 11 Meeting

Historic Preservation Grant Resolution

Agreement with Habitat for Humanity – Rehab Program

Annual Service Agreements

FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Annual Service Agreements

MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Introduction of Miss Temple City Court

Process for Commission Appointments

Chamber of Commerce Monthly Update

Annual Service Agreements

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Parks & Recreation Commission Actions of May 19 Meeting

Authorization to Bid Playground Equipment

Dial –a-Ride Program

Annual Service Agreements

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**Introduction of Ordinance - Municipal Code Amendment re Parking Permit
Process; and 2) Reinstatement of Public Safety Commission**

Annual Service Agreements

JUNE 15, 2010 MEETING

CITY CLERK

Commission Appointments/Reappointments

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission Actions of May 25 Meeting

MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Survey Raffle for Free Trash Service

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Approval of Joint Use Agreements with School District

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Award of Contract – Traffic Signal Upgrade

Approval of MOU with SGV Volunteer Center

Safe Routes to School Grant

Adoption of Ordinance - Municipal Code Amendment re Parking Permit Process; and 2) Reinstatement of Public Safety Commission

JUNE 29, 2010 SPECIAL MEETING

FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Approval of Investment Policy

Public Hearing: Adoption of FY 2010-11 Budget, Gann Limitation, etc.

JULY 6, 2010 MEETING

CITY CLERK

Street Banner Request – St Luke School

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Planning Commission Actions of June 8 Meeting

Planning Commission Actions of June 22 Meeting

FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Financing Authority Annual Meeting

MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Chamber of Commerce Monthly Update

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Parks & Recreation Commission Actions of June 16 Meeting

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**Public Hearing: Establishing Levy and Ordering Assessments for Citywide
Lighting and Maintenance District**

TEMPLE CITY CRIME BLOTTER
MAY 11 THRU 17, 2010

May 11, 2010

Vandalism: Between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., person(s) unknown used a marker and graffiti the words "Boogie Italiaexican" on a garage door in the 6000 block of Encinita Avenue. The damage is estimated at \$100.

Battery: At approximately 7:00 p.m., deputies responded to the 5300 block of Loma Avenue, regarding a fight between two neighbors. Upon arrival, the victim stated he arrived home and was confronted by his neighbor who was upset for some unknown reason. An argument ensued, which then escalated when the suspect's brother exited the residence and struck the victim several times in the face. The victim sustained minor swelling to his left eye but refused medical attention. After further investigation, the suspect was arrested for battery and making criminal threats.

May 13, 2010

Narcotics Arrest: At approximately 12:00 a.m., a 21 year old male from La Puente was stopped on his bicycle for riding at night without a headlamp and riding a person on the handlebars. While talking with the bicyclist, deputies recognized the objective symptoms consistent with narcotics use. After further investigation, the male admitted to smoking marijuana and taking ecstasy earlier in the day and was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance.

Robbery: At approximately 2:15 p.m., a female Asian business owner from Rosemead was on her way to the bank, when she heard something strike her car. When she pulled over at Lower Azusa Road and Fiesta Avenue to investigate, a male Hispanic approached her vehicle from the passenger side and shattered her front passenger window with a steel bolt. The male then reached in the vehicle and grabbed a plastic bag from the front seat which contained approximately \$6,855 in cash. The male then ran to a waiting vehicle and fled the location.

May 13, 2010 (continued)

Driving Without

A License:

A 31 year old male from Temple City was detained on a traffic stop in the 5200 block of Temple City Boulevard, for failing to signal when turning. It was determined the male was driving without a license. The driver was arrested and his vehicle was impounded.

Hit and Run:

Deputies responded to the 5500 block of Rosemead Boulevard regarding a hit and run investigation. While conducting their investigation, the 84 year old female suspect returned to the location. After further investigation, the elderly female was arrested for misdemeanor hit and run and was issued a citation in the field and released.

May 16, 2010

Petty Theft:

At approximately 12:10 a.m., a male Hispanic approximately 25 years of age, walked into the "7-Eleven" at 4800 Temple City Boulevard, selected a case of Budweiser beer and ran out of the store without paying. The suspect fled southbound through the parking lot, then eastbound through the alley to a vehicle. The suspect then drove away eastbound on Lower Azusa Road and out of view.

