

Week in Review
Newsletter
In the City of Temple Terrace

Good things going on in the City

Oct. 5 – 18, 2020



HAPPY FLORIDA CITY GOVERNMENT WEEK

Contest Alert! October 19 – 25 is City Government Week, an effort spearheaded by Florida League of Cities. Traditionally, the City of Temple Terrace has partnered with Florida College during this week to introduce students to local government by shadowing department directors and participating in a mock City Council meeting. But because of precautions surrounding Covid-19, we have postponed this experience.

Not wanting to let the week go uncelebrated, we are inviting the City's Facebook fans to demonstrate their knowledge of City attractions by playing Where's Temple? City mascot Temple the Orange recently set out from City Hall to visit his favorite places in Temple Terrace. Marketing & Communications Officer Laure Hayes will post one photo from his jaunts at around 9am each day during Government Week, beginning next Monday. Submit your guess as to his location in the comments below the day's post to be entered into the contest. (One guess per person.)

One winner from the correct guesses will be chosen at random each day to receive a \$50 gift card to a Temple Terrace restaurant. The winner will be announced on the next day's post. On the final day of the contest, a grand prize drawing with all the correct guesses from the week will take place. The final winner will receive THREE \$50 restaurant gift cards.

Only guesses submitted on the City's official Facebook page will be entered into the contest. Winners MUST have liked the City page and be a resident of Temple Terrace. (Unfortunately staff and city official are ineligible.)

EARLY VOTING STARTS TODAY

Early voting began this morning at the Temple Terrace Public Library. Polls opened at 7am, but people were already in line at 5am. At last check, the line wraps around the building almost to Bullard. According to Hillsborough County elections officials, 2000 people voted in the first hour that the polls were open. Early voting goes through Sunday, Nov. 1 with the General Election taking place on Tuesday, Nov. 3.



MOVIE IN THE TERRACE



The City has, unfortunately, cancelled its annual Fall Festival due to precautions surrounding Covid-19. The Leisure Services Department will, however, host a family-friendly outdoor Halloween-themed "Movie in the Terrace" event on Saturday Oct. 24 beginning at 6:45pm on Soccer Field #1 at the Family Rec Complex. The Temple Terrace Public Library will present a slightly spooky storytime at 7:15 with the feature attraction starting at 7:30pm.

The cost is \$10 per socially-distant square, which will accommodate up to six people. You MUST pre-register at the Family Rec Complex. Attendees are welcome to pack a cooler and bring a blanket and snacks. (No alcoholic beverages permitted.) To ensure the health and safety of all, seating is **very limited** and as of this morning there was only one square remaining. Call 813.506.6600 for more info. The event is sponsored by Pilot Bank.

COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR

Do you own or operate a business in Temple Terrace? Do you have ideas to strengthen our local business community? If the answers to these questions are yes, Mayor Andy Ross would like to invite you to join him and other local business leaders for coffee and an open discussion on building a stronger economy. Go to templeterrace.com/BuildStronger for more info and to register.

CANDIDATE FORUM A SUCCESS

The City hosted a Candidate Forum on October 13. The three candidates for Temple Terrace City Council – Meredith Abel, Raed Khawaja and David Pogorilich – answered questions posed by residents regarding their views about the various aspects of the job of a City Council member as defined by the City Charter.

The City received more than 30 questions from which 18 were chosen at random by moderator Kim Linebaugh, former City Manager and Mayor of Temple Terrace, during the Forum.

Many thanks to our video consultant Brian Hill, Business Relations Manager Greg Pauley, IT Director Sally Cabrera, Marketing & Communications Officer Laurie Hayes and Marketing Intern Nathan Bynum for promoting the event and transforming the Council Chambers into a TV studio for the evening (albeit one with very noisy AC). And gratitude is due as well to Forum host Recreation Leader IV, Senior Programming and Events Keven Woodard and especially to Kim Linebaugh for his assistance. And an extra special thank-you to Executive Assistant Jeannie Barlow for all of her hard work planning and organizing the Forum, as well as her exceptional talent managing the raffle barrel.



VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE

Are you, or is someone you know, a veteran of the US Armed Forces? The City of Temple Terrace would like to recognize Temple Terrace veterans with special yard signs during the week of November 8. We are collecting names and addresses of these individuals in anticipation of the observance of Veteran's Day. Please forward this info to lhayes@templeterrace.com or call 813.506.6406. (This data will not be shared publicly.) Thank you for your help in honoring family, friends and neighbors who have served our country.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB GETS NEW SHAQ-APPROVED BASKETBALL COURT

Great things are happening over at the Sam & Laurice Hachem Foundation Boys & Girls Club of Temple Terrace! The City is proud of the positive relationships our Temple Terrace Police Department officers have formed with this very special group of kids - and excited to show off the new basketball court. Shaquille O’Neal even sent a special message to the Club and an autographed basketball!

CROSSWALK ADDITION

New crosswalks with pedestrian hybrid beacons are coming to Busch Boulevard! The Florida Department of Transportation District Seven is in the process of installing four new beacons on the thoroughfare in Temple Terrace and Tampa. The crosswalks will provide more options for pedestrians to safely cross the busy roadway. Please exercise caution in the area as crews work on these exciting enhancements to our City.



FOOD DRIVE

Staff from the City’s Division of Parks & Rec will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items to benefit the Corpus Christi Joe Latina Food Pantry Saturday, November 7 from 9am until noon.

The drop off station will be located between Corpus Christi Catholic Church (9715 N. 56th St.) and Wells Fargo Bank. Look for the banners and City’s Special Events Truck. Come early - the Temple Terrace Junior Woman’s Club will be providing craft kits to the first 50 people to drop off food! For additional information please contact John Swick at jswick@templeterrace.com or 813.506.6600.



TREE CITY INDEED

City Arborist Joe Ferris and volunteers from Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful and the community have been busy planting groups of Purple Crape Myrtles and Pink Tabebuias from Montrose Ave. to Gillette on the golf course side of the road and from Gillette to Inverness. And more trees are coming to Inverness later this month. Thanks to all!



PIZZA, PIZZA

Many thanks to the GFWC Temple Terrace Junior Woman's Club for treating the Public Works staff to pizza on Friday – delivered by none other than Nicole Sauer, formerly of the City Clerk's office.



SOMEONE TO COUNT ON

Sabrina Munson, our purchasing specialist, is now certified as a CPP/PPM (Certified Purchasing Profession/certified Professional Purchasing Manager). Sabrina was able to balance studying with her work and home responsibilities to get these certifications; and took advantage the tuition reimbursement program from the City. Congratulations to Sabrina on continuing to elevate our finance team through these professional certifications.

A GREAT PUMPKIN?

Put down your pumpkin spice latte and your pumpkin muffins and grab a real pumpkin to show off your carving skills! Enter Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful's contest, bring bragging rights to our City and win fabulous KTBB swag.

KTBB is looking for the best photo in 3 different categories:

- 1) Spookiest Pumpkin
- 2) Best Pumpkin That Incorporates "Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful"
- 3) Most Creative Pumpkin

To enter, share your photo and tag KTBB on Facebook @keeptampabaybeautiful or Instagram @keeptbb. The three winners, one in each category, will receive some awesome prizes! They are accepting submissions through Oct. 30 and will announce the winners on Halloween. Don't forget to compost your pumpkin when you're through!

AMAZON IS MOVING RIGHT ALONG...

The Amazon project is making some serious headway in its location off Harney Rd. The new state of the art fulfillment center, which is anticipated to launch in 2021, will create 750 new, full-time jobs with industry leading pay and comprehensive benefits starting on day one. Amazon currently operates seven fulfillment and sortation centers in the state in Jacksonville, Davenport, Orlando, Miami, Ruskin and Lakeland.

Amazon's new Temple Terrace operations facility will span more than 600,000 square feet on the ground floor. Employees at the site will work alongside innovative technologies to pick, pack and ship smaller customer items such as books, electronics, small household goods and toys. In addition, Amazon will hire for roles in human resources, operations management, safety, security, finance and information technology.



Did you know that residents can sign up to receive the Week in Review via email each week? Just go to the Notify Me sign-up page and select Week in Review.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Employment Opportunities



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 3.112 BUILDING INSPECTOR II
-

LEISURE SERVICES • PARKS & RECREATION

- 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • ATHLETICS PROGRAM • PART TIME
- 7.178 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT I • PARKS/ATHLETIC FACILITIES

SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD
-

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 4.226 POLICE OFFICER
 - 4.240 POLICE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER • THREE POSITIONS
-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • OPERATIONS

- 7.120 MECHANIC II
 - 7.125 MECHANIC I
 - 7.178 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT I • GROUNDS • TWO POSITIONS
 - 7.230 SANITATION DRIVER/COLLECTOR I
-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • UTILITIES

- 1.140 CITY ENGINEER
- 7.160 UTILITY MAINTENANCE II • SEWER
- 7.160-LTE UTILITY MAINTENANCE II • SEWER
- 7.166 UTILITY MAINTENANCE I • WATER
- 7.166-LTE UTILITY MAINTENANCE I • WATER • TWO POSITIONS

The City of Temple Terrace is a drug-free workplace.
A pre-employment drug screen, criminal history background
investigation, and a driver's license verification may be conducted.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
VETERAN'S PREFERENCE EMPLOYER

Job Opportunities are located @ www.TempleTerrace.com/Jobs