



City of San José Youth Commission

District 1 – Anaya Mishra
District 3 – Deitra Hoang
District 5 – Andrew Lieu
District 7 – Megan Luong
District 9 – Agam Singh
Citywide – Vedant Janapaty

Neyha Pradeepkumar– District 2
Thy Luong– District 4
Amiya Bansal– District 6
Aldojoell Gonzalez Muñoz– District 8
Nolan Mascarenhas – District 10

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2024 | 6:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
Hybrid Meeting

Webinar: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82031271897>

In-Person Location: San Jose City Hall – Council Chambers
200 E. Santa Clara St. San Jose, CA 95113

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

A. Roll Call

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PRESENT: Chair Hoang, Vice Chair Mascarenhas, Commissioners Mishra, Pradeepkumar, T. Luong, Lieu, Bansal, M. Luong, Gonzalez-Muñiz, Singh, and Janapaty.

ABESENT: None

STAFF: Division Manager, Vidya Kilambi; Senior Librarian, Lizzie Nolan; Librarian, Megan Maloy; College and Career Pathways Coordinator, Amanda Otte; Literacy Program Specialist, Alyssa Mendoza; Administrative Assistant, Dziem Nguyen

OTHERS: Assistant to the City Manager Laura Buzo; Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Interim Recreation Superintendent, Mumtaz Mohammad; Council Assistant Alexander Dersh.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. Quorum was achieved with 11 Commissioners present.

II. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the February 26, 2024, Agenda

B. Approve January 22, 2024, Attendance

C. Approve January 22, 2024, Meeting Minutes

D. Approve District 3 Establishing a BIPOC Visual Artist Grant Program Memorandum

- E. Approve District 7 Creative Futures Fair Event Proposal
- F. Approve Letter of Concern Limiting Opportunities for Youth Public Comment
- G. Approve Civic Engagement Addition to the 23-24 Work Plan
- H. Approve District 1 Transportation Safety Memorandum

On the motion of Commissioner Lieu, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez Muñiz, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the items on the Consent Calendar.

- III. Public Record:** There was no correspondence for the Commission to review.
- IV. Open Forum:** There were 3 public comments to the Commission. Mahany Santana, Solomon Yum, and Daniel Anderson provided public comments to the Commission.
- V. Discussion/Action Items**
 - A. **ACTION:** Children and Youth Services Master Plan (L. Buzo)
Laura Buzo, Assistant to Deputy Manager, gave a presentation on the Children and Youth Services Master Plan (CYSMP). The pandemic affected young people in various ways, revealing the disproportionate access to resources and opportunities in the community. This prompted the City to develop the CYSMP as way of providing young people opportunities and services from cradle to career.

The CYSMP development of strategic framework and approach should include the following aspects: guidance on policies, priorities, and investments, systems transformation, continuum of support, integrated services delivery, collective impact approach, and long-term and sustainable impact in measurable outcomes. The City conducted community outreach through townhalls and focus groups with Advisories, Committees, families, caregivers, and youths. The City was able to collect feedback from 3,000 individuals to understand the priority areas. The priority areas identified are early learning and childcare, health and mental wellness, housing access and security, learning and empowerment, meaningful a sustainable job, safe, clean, and connected community.
The next steps will be the following:
 - City programs and services mapping
 - Evaluation framework
 - Blue Zone Readiness Assessment
 - Demonstration/Pilot Sites
 - Youth and Family Engagement Strategies
 - Convene Implementation Team
 - Sustainability strategies
 - Reporting Structure/Process

No Public Comment.

The Commission engaged in discussion.

On the motion of Commissioner M. Luong, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez – Muñiz, the Youth Commission voted unanimously to hold a special meeting in April to review the finalized version of the Children and Youth Services Master Plan.

VI. Reports and Information Only

A. Council Liaison's Announcements (A. Dersh)

Council Assistant, Alex Dersh, shared information about the Council item regarding homeless encampments and oversized vehicles around schools. On August 9, 2023, the Rules Committee directed staff to draft an ordinance prohibiting encampments and lived-in vehicles to be within 150 feet of preschool, daycares, and K-12 schools. Staff looked at a possible ordinance that would utilize posted signs that prohibited parking of oversized vehicles since most live-in vehicles are Recreational Vehicles (RVs) which are considered oversized. On January 30th, the transportation and police department presented to Council an analysis and recommendations on ways to address encampments and oversized vehicles around schools. Council voted to accept the recommendations with modifications from the memo written by Mayor Mahan, Councilmembers Jimenez, Cohen, Ortiz, and Doan.

B. Parks and Recreation Neighborhood Services (PRNS) Report (M. Mohammad)

Mo Mohammad, Interim Recreation Superintendent, shared updates from PRNS from the previous month.

- Registration for Spring 2024 opens on February 22, 2024.
- Spring 2024 Community Activity Guides are available online at issu.com/sjparksandrec.
- All Community Centers are closed on April 1, 2024 in observance of Cesar Chavez Day.
- Hiring is open for Recreation Leaders, Lifeguards, Assistant Swimming Pool Managers which can be found on the PRNS website.

There are additional events this month listed on the PRNS website.

C. San José Public Library Report (V. Kilambi)

Division Manager, Vidya Kilambi, shared updates from the Library on the following items:

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- The City of San José was recognized and presented with the National digital Inclusion Alliance’s Visionary Digital Inclusion Trailblazer award. The City was recognized for its efforts to close the digital divide and for work around integrating digital inclusion and leading the way in innovation through its initiative, SJ Access, led by the San José Public Library.
- Summer 2024 WeThrive High School Entrepreneur Camp is open for pre-registration. This program invites teens to become entrepreneurs through hands-on lessons provided by WeThrive.
- Several Library locations have 24-hour drop boxes for this year's Presidential Primary Election and several locations are voting centers.
- Volunteers from Tax-Aid and Volunteer Income Tax Assistances (VITA) programs are offering tax assistance with free tax help preparation for qualifying taxpayers with income less than \$64,000. This is being offered weekly at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, Hillview, Pearl Avenue, and Seven Trees.
- In March, San José Public Library is celebrating Women’s History Month, St. Patrick’s Day, Developmental Disability Awareness Month, and the Persian New Year, Nowruz.

For more information, visit www.sjpl.org

D. Commission Chair Report

Chair Hoang reminded the Commission of upcoming meetings and special events that required Commission attendance.

E. Commissioner’s Report per City District

Each Commissioner provided an update from their district.

VII. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agendas


- Budget Update from Ad-Hoc

VIII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be an in-person meeting on March 18, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. at Council Chambers.

IX. Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Singh, seconded by Commissioner Mishra, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 PM.



Deitra Hoang, Chair

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ATTEST:
YOUTH COMMISSION SECRETARY

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Dziem Nguyen