



City of San José Youth Commission

District 1 – Aanya Mishra
District 3 – Edwin Sanchez
District 5 – Andrew Lieu
District 7 – Peter Vu
District 9 – Agam Singh
Citywide – Marian Kucharewski

Neyha Pradeepkumar – District 2
Genesis Arroyo – District 4
Amiya Bansal – District 6
Aldojoell Gonzalez-Muñiz – District 8
Nolan Mascarenhas – District 10

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

August 26, 2024
6:30 -8:30 PM

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. Call to Order

PRESENT: Commissioners Mishra, Pradeepkumar, Sanchez, Arroyo, Lieu, Bansal, Vu, Gonzalez-Muñiz, Singh, Mascarenhas, and Kucharewski.

STAFF: Division Manager Vidya Kilambi; Deputy Chief of Staff Karla Alvarez; Librarian Megan Maloy; Youth Commission Librarian Emily Terada; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen.

OTHERS: District 1 Council Assistant Alex Dersh; Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Lauren Hawkins.

The meeting was called to order at **6:31 P.M.** Quorum was achieved with 11 Commissioners present.

II. Consent Calendar

On the motion of Commissioner Lieu, seconded by Commissioner Vu, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the consent calendar.

III. Public Record: There was 1 public record for the Commission to review.

IV. Open Forum: There was no public comment to the Commission.

V. Discussion/Action Items

A. ACTION: Library Education Commission and Youth Commission Joint Special Meeting (Chair Mascarenhas)

Chair Mascarenhas presented some possible dates for the Joint Special Meeting. The meeting dates proposed are March 15th, March 19th, March 22nd, March 24th.

No public comment

On the motion of Singh seconded by Gonzalez-Muñiz, the Commission unanimously voted to approve these possible dates for the Special Joint Meeting.

B. ACTION: Youth Commission Winter Retreat Date (Chair Mascarenhas)

Commission discussed possible date for the Winter Retreat to be on December 9th.

No public comment.

On the motion of Commissioner Singh, seconded by Vu, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the December 9th as the date for the Youth Commission Winter Retreat.

C. ACTION: Youth Commission Budget Summit Date (Chair Mascarenhas)

Commission discussed possible dates for the Budget Summit to be on January 25th, January 26th, February 1st, or February 2nd. The Commission narrowed down to February 2nd as budget summit.

No public comment.

On the motion of Commissioner Pradeepkumar, seconded by Singh, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the date February 2nd for the Youth Commission Budget Summit.

D. ACTION: Adoption of the Youth Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (Chair Mascarenhas)

Commission reviewed and discussed the Youth Commission Work plan for FY 2024-2025.

No public comment.

On the motion of Commissioner Gonzalez- Muñiz, seconded by Mishra, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the Youth Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

VI. Reports and Information Only

A. Council Liaison Report (Alex Dersh)

San Jose City Council had a Study Session to learn about progress, status and next steps of the Diridon Station Project. In response to these anticipated expansions,

multiple agencies agreed to partner together on the Diridon Station Project (Project) to enlarge the station's capacity and prepare it for increased service. The three main intended design changes in this layout are:

1. Grade separation.
2. Two station entrances.
3. Keep track approaches within existing corridor.

On the legislative horizon, the following next steps will be taken by Council and the partner agencies:

1. Continued community engagement
2. City Council policy decisions.
3. Environmental review preparation

B. Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (Lauren Hawkins)

Lauren Hawkins provided the following updates:

- i. Department updates
 1. Andrea Flores Shelton has assumed the role as Assistant Director
 2. Hawkins reviewed the vacant positions available with PRNS.
- ii. Capital Division outline several projects in motion:
 - Winchester Orchard Park
 - Agnews Muni Water Well Project Mercado Park – Construction
 - Bruzzone Park
 - Penitencia Creek Dog Park
 - Riverview Park
 - Emma Prusch Farm Park
 - Beautiful Way
 - Happy Hallow Park & Zoo Jaguar, Fossa, and Red Panda enclosures
 - Coyote Creek Trail
 - Mabury Road to Empire St
 - Phelan Ave to Tully Rd
 - Guadalupe River Trail
 - Feasibility Study- St. John to Julian St.
 - Re-alignment Feasibility Study
 - Los Gatos Creek Trail
 - Meridian Collapse
- iii. Recreation Division –
 1. August PRNS hosted 8 unique National Night Out events across the City.
 2. Youth programs like R.O.C.K Afterschool, Youth Centers, Teen Centers and SJ Recreation Preschool have resumed for the 2024-2025 Academic year.
- iv. Community Services Division highlights –

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- August 27th: E-waste Drive at Camden Community Center
 - September 8th: Boy Scouts Litter Cleanup
 - September 21st: Coastal Cleanup (345 W. Santa Clara St.)
 - October 5th: Autumn Litter Harvest (Citywide litter cleanup)
 - October 12th: Sunday Friends Litter Cleanup (345 W. Santa Clara St.)
- v. PRNS wants to get feedback from Park Users with the City of San José. The link to the Survey is: bit.ly/sjparksuser

C. Library Report (Vidya Kilambi)

Division Manager, Vidya Kilambi, shared some Library updates.

- i. Summer Learning - Readers this year logged more than **112,000** total titles and almost **3 million** total minutes read.
- ii. Graphic Making Novel Awards Ceremony is on Saturday, September 7th from 2-4PM at the City Hall Rotunda.
- iii. San José Public Library has partnered with globally known celebrity Chef and Author Martin Yan from the hit PBS television show “Yan Can Cook” to celebrate the Moon Festival at the San Jose City Hall Rotunda on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Chair Report.

D. Commission Chair Report

E. Commission report by District.

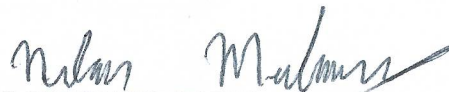
VII. Future meeting items

VIII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be on September 23, 2024, at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

IX. Adjournment

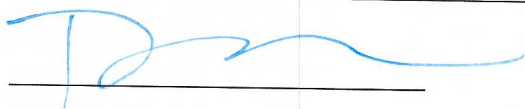
On the motion of Commissioner Mishra, seconded by Commissioner Lieu, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 P.M.



Nolan Mascarenhas
San José Public Youth Commission Chair

ATTEST:
LIBRARY AND EDUCATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

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Dziem Nguyen