



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

April 28, 2025

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 Pradeepkumar, Sanchez, Arroyo, Lieu, Bansal, Vu, Singh, Mascarenhas, and Kucharewski.
ABSENT: Commissioner Gonzalez-Muñiz, Mishra, Vu.
STAFF: Division Manager Vidya Kilambi; Librarian Megan Maloy; Youth Commission Librarian Emily Terada; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen.

OTHERS: Community Outreach Director Lucas Ramirez; Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Recreation Superintendent Lauren Box; Program Manager Petra Riguero, Recreation Superintendent Israel Canjura.

The meeting was called to order at **6:30 P.M.** Quorum was achieved with **8** Commissioners present. Commissioner Vu, Mishra, Gonzalez-Muñiz not present.

II. Consent Calendar

On the motion of Commissioner Lieu, seconded by Commissioner Pardeepkumar, the Commission voted approve the consent calendar. (8 yay, 0 nays, 3 not present)

III. Public Record: There was no public record for the Commission to review.

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

V. Discussion/Action Items

A. ACTION: [San José Youth Empowerment Alliance Annual Report](#) (Petra Riguero & Israel Canjura)

- San José Youth Empowerment Alliance (SJYEA) Structure
 - Policy Team
 - Review and discuss the incidents, which is shared with technical team.
 - Technical Team
 - Develops action plans to address the incidents.
- Programs
 - City Staff programs
 - Key programs:
 - Female Intervention Team
 - Clean slate tattoo removal
 - Late night gym
 - Hospital based intervention
 - Grantmaking Programs
 - Best Grant: Bringing everyone's strength together.
 - School-based programs
 - Street intervention
 - Family and Youth Services
 - Safe Summer Initiative Grants
 - Annual grant
 - Summer Programs
 - Connection students in transition between elementary to middle, middle to high school.
- Strategic Workplan
 - Prioritize resources and objectives
- Prevention
 - Focus on chronic absenteeism
 - Focus on prevention
- Intervention:
 - Objective: increase engagement and trust among community, schools, and law enforce
 - Decreased number of incidents of youth violence, injuries, and death.
- Diversion and Re-entry
 - Object: diverting young people from incarceration.
- Healing
 - Objective: advance trauma informed healing resources.

No Public Comment.

The Commission engaged in discussion.

Commissioner Gonzalez-Muñiz arrived at 6:36 PM.

B. ACTION: [Youth Commission Budget Priorities Letter](#) (Chair Mascarenhas)

Chair Mascarenhas reviewed the contents of the Youth Commission Budget Priorities letter.

There was no public comment. The Commission engaged in discussion.

On the motion of Commissioner Lieu, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, the Commission voted approve the Youth Commission Budget Priorities Letter. (9 yay, 0 nays, 2 not present).

- C. **ACTION: Youth Commission Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual Report (Chair Mascarenhas)**
Captures all the accomplishments

There was no public comment.

The Commission engaged in discussion.

On the motion of Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez-Muñiz, the Commission voted approve the Youth Commission Fiscal year 2024-2025 Annual Report (9 yay, 0 nays, 2 not present).

VI. Reports and Information Only

A. **Council Liaison Report (Anthony Montes)**

District 2 Community Relations Director, Anthony Montes, provided the Council Liaison Report.

- Anthony Montes provided an introduction to his work in public service.
- Two current priorities of the Councilmember.
 - Budget season
 - Trade-offs for budget for services.
 - Public Safety
 - Good response times when there are emergency calls.

B. **Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (Lauren Box)**

Recreation Superintendent, Lauren Box, provided the following updates:

- Recreation division
 - Community Activity Guide for Summer Activities are available online and your local community center
- Capital Division
 - Making upgrades to various parks throughout the City such as Arena Green, Guadalupe Park River.
- Community Services Division

- Little Education presentations for Elementary, Middle and High School students
- Parks Division
 - June 8th route is just released for Viva Calle

C. Library Report (Vidya Kilambi)

Division Manager, Vidya Kilambi, provided the following updates:

- SJPL launches the San Jose Educator of the Year Award.
- SJPL introduces Tech Hubs powered by SJ Access on March 28, 2025 at the Sourcewise Tech Hubs, located at the Roosevelt Community Center.
- Upcoming Celebrations at SJPL:
 - APPI Month
 - National Pet Month
- Libraries will be closed on May 26, 20-25 for Memorial Day Holiday.

D. Commission Chair Report

E. Commission report by District

VII. Future meeting items

No Future items were added.

VIII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be on May 19, 2025, at Council Chambers.

IX. Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Gonzalez-Muñiz, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M (9 yays, 0 nays, 2 not present).

Nolan Mascarenhas
San José Public Youth Commission Chair

ATTEST:
YOUTH COMMISSION COMMISSION SECRETARY

Dziem Nguyen