



City of San José Youth Commission

District 1 – Anushka Deshmukh
District 3 – Edwin Sanchez
District 5 – Dali Guerrero Fernandez
District 7 – David Huynh
District 9 – Jingru (Ruby) Yu
Citywide – Marian Kucharewski

Neyha Pradeepkumar– District 2
Akashadha Badu Chakravarthi – District 4
Fiona Canfield – District 6
Aldojoell Gonzalez-Muñiz– District 8
Jinyoung (Kyle) Park – District 10

RETREAT MEETING MINUTES DRAFT

August 17, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.

In-Person Location: San Jose Public Library – Room 225

150 East San Fernando St., San Jose, CA 95112

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

A. Roll Call

PRESENT: Chair Pro Tempore Pardeepkumar, Commissioners Deshmukh, Sanchez, Badu Chakravarthi, Guerrero Fernandez, Canfield, Huynh, Yu, Park, Kucharewski.

ABESENT: Commission Gonzalez- Muñiz

STAFF: Senior Librarian Megan Maloy; Youth Commission Librarian Emily Terada, Administrative Assistant, Dziem Nguyen.

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 P.M. Quorum was achieved with 10 Commissioners present. 1 Commissioner absent.

II. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve August 17, 2025, Retreat Agenda
- B. Approve August 18, 2024, Retreat Attendance
- C. Approve August 18, 2024, Retreat Meeting Minutes

On the motion of Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, the Commission voted to approve the items on the Consent Calendar (10 yes, 0 no, 1 absent).

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

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

V. Discussion/Action Items

A. **INFORMATIONAL:** Youth Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
(Chair Pro-Tempore, M. Maloy).

No Public Comment.

The Commission engaged in discussion.

The Youth Commission brainstormed to develop their workplan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Youth Commission Workplan Items:

- Objective: Evaluate and advise college, career, and literacy opportunities and resources in San Jose.
 - Conduct youth participatory action research and a citywide youth survey to gather insight and input from youth on budget and educational priorities
 - Explore and uplift community partnerships focused on education including but limited to:
 - Silicon Valley Education Foundation
 - Local school districts
 - Work with SJPL on their ESL programs – outreach
- Objective: Emphasize San Jose’s diversity and culture through exploring community resources and placemaking.
 - Foster youth creativity through cultures and arts including but not limited to:
 - Beautify Initiatives
 - Community Art
 - Events and Fairs
 - Conduct outreach and promotion of existing local resources and resources including but not limited to:
 - San Jose Public Library
 - Community-based organizations
 - Uplift and advocate immigrant youth and families by promoting support resources including, but limited to:
 - Workshops
 - language accessibility
 - Safety Resources

Commissioner Sanchez left at 3:56 PM

The Commission called for a recess at 4:21pm

Meeting call back from recess 4:30pm

B. ACTION: Election of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Office (Chair Pro-Tempore)

Youth Commission elected their Youth Commission Office.

No Public Comment.

The Commission engaged in discussion.

- Youth Commission Chair
 - Commissioner Kucharewski was elected as Youth Commission Chair
- Youth Commission Vice Chair
 - Commissioner Pradeepkumar was elected as Youth Commission Vice Chair
- Youth Commission Communications Officer
 - Commissioner Deskmukh was elected as Youth Commission Communications Officer
- Youth Commission Outreach Officer
 - Commissioner Huynh was elected the Youth Commission Outreach Officers.

On the motion of Commissioner Guerrero Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Canfield, the Commissioner approved the election result (10 yes, 0 no, 1 absent).

VI. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agendas

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next meeting will be an in-person Youth Commission Meeting on August 25, 2025.

VIII. Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Canfield, seconded by Commissioner Park the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:01 PM (10 yes, 0 no, 1 absent).

San José Public Youth Commission Chair Pro-Tempore

ATTEST:
YOUTH COMMISSION SECRETARY

Dziem Nguyen