



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
Micah Chung– District 8
Jinyoung (Kyle) Park – District 10

YOUTH COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 23, 2026 | 6:30 PM

San José City Hall, Council Chambers

200 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

A. Roll Call

PRESENT: Chair Kucharewski, Vice Chair Pardeepkumar; Commissioners Sanchez, Badu Chakravarthi, Deshmukh, Canfield, Huynh, Guerrero Fernandez, Chung, Yu, Park

ABSENT: Commissioner Guerrero – Fernandez

CITY STAFF: Councilmember Pamela Campos; Division Manager Vidya Kilambi; Chief of Staff Karla Alvarez; Youth Commission Librarian Emily Terada; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen; Parks and Neighborhood Services Recreation Superintendent Lauren Box

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M. Quorum was achieved with 8 Commissioners present.

II. Consent Calendar

A. Approve January 26, 2026, Meeting Minutes

B. Public Correspondence: No public correspondence was received for February 23, 2026

On the motion of Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Babu, the Commission voted to approve the items on the Consent Calendar (9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 2 not present)

III. Open Forum: There were 0 public comments to the Commission.

IV. Discussion/Action Items

A. Council Liaison's Report (Councilmember Campos)

The Commission received Council announcements and updates from City of San José Councilmember Campos.

No Public Comment

B. 2025 Youth Commission Priorities Survey Results (Chair Kucharewski and Vice Chair Pradeepkumar)

The Commission received a presentation about the 2025 Youth Commission Priorities Survey Results from City of San José Youth Commission Chair Kucharewski and Vice Chair Pradeepkumar

Commissioner Sanchez arrived at 6:46pm

No Public Comment

C. Letter to Council: Termination of Automated License Plate Reader Cameras (Commissioner Chung)

The Commission reviewed and discussed topics for its letter to Council recommending termination of the City's contract with Flock for automated license plate reader cameras.

No Public Comment

In a motion by Commissioner Pradeepkumar, seconded by Commissioner Babu, the Commission approved having Commissioner Chung draft the letter to Council incorporating the topics discussed, subject to review and approval by the Chair and Library staff, with the Chair signing the final version for submission. (9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 2 not present)

Public Comment was provided by Laya Krishnan, Yash Omprakash, Christopher Andrade.

V. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agendas

A. Parks and Recreation Neighborhood Services (Lauren Box) – Virtual

Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Recreation Superintendent, Lauren Box provided an update to the Commission.

- i. Recruitment

1. Lifeguard and Instructor Lifeguard
2. Class instructors
3. Camp Counselor for Family Camp at Yosemite
4. Assistant Swimming Pool Manager/Swimming Pool Manager
- ii. Recreation Division
 1. Summer Camps are open for registration
 2. Late Night Gym at Seven Trees Community Center starting on 10/01
 3. Recreation Swim hours will be held at Camden Community Center, Mayfair Community Center, Rotary Ryland, Fair Swim Center
- iii. Parks Division
 1. Parks team will start construction on the Taiko Bridge beginning this May
 2. 02/22 Sunday Series Community Day at Playa del Ray Park
 3. 02/28 Sunday Series Community Day at Starbird Park
 4. Action Sports Camp, Bike Lesson, Skate Lesson are held at Lake Cunningham Action Sports Park
- iv. Community Services Division
 1. Dumpster Days are scheduled at:
 - a. Beckesto Park, Mayfair, Seven Trees, Starbird Youth Center
 2. Illegal dumping and graffiti can be reported on 311 app or online

B. San José Library Report (Megan Maloy)

Senior Librarian, Megan Maloy, provided the Library updates.

- i. Black History Month at SJPL: SJPL hosting two special exhibits: “Art of the African Diaspora Art” supports artists of African descent in the Bay Area. “Black Spartans” explores the history and lives of some of the first black students at SJSU.
- ii. The new SJ2026-themed library cards are exclusively released at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library.
- iii. 10th Annual Nowruz Celebration is on Saturday, 03/14 at the Rotunda
- iv. Free Tax Help is available at the library locations.
- v. SJPL Service Day was successful on Saturday, 02/07 with nearly 100 participants.

C. Commission Chair Report (Chair Kucharewski)

- i. Budget Summit starts at 11am, Commissioners arrive at 10:00 am or earlier to prepare for the meeting
- ii. Event Proposals are being reviewed by the Chair and Library staff for approval.

D. Commissioners’ Reports per City District

VI. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agenda

There are no items for future Commission meeting agenda.

VII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular meeting will be in-person on March 23, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. at Council Chambers.

VIII. Adjournment

On the motion of Commissioner Babu, seconded by Commissioner Park, the Commission voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 P.M. (10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 1 absent).

Chair Marian Kucharewski
San José Youth Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Dziem Nguyen
Youth Commission Secretary