



## City of San José Youth Commission

District 1 – Gordon Chen  
District 3 – Deitra Hoang  
District 5 – Andrew Lieu  
District 7 – Ananya Sriram  
District 9 – Agam Singh  
Citywide – Vendant Janapaty

Kathy Lu– District 2  
Nuha Khan– District 4  
Amiya Bansal– District 6  
Vacant – District 8  
Alexander Lee – District 10

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 23, 2023  
6:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M  
Virtual

#### I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

##### A. Roll Call

PRESENT: Vice Chair Sriram, Commissioners Lu, Hoang, Khan, Lieu, Bansal, Janapaty

ABSENT: Chai Chen; Commissioners Singh, Lee

STAFF: Library Deputy Director of Public Services Michelle Ornat; Division Manager Vidya Kilambi; Sr. Librarian Elizabeth Nolan, Librarian Megan Maloy; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen, Senior Office Specialist Ronald Kammerdiener-Clapp, Senior Office Specialist Julia Santos

OTHERS: Assistant to the City Manager Laura Buzo, Kevin Huynh; Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Supervisor Nick Georgoff; Housing Department Analyst, Nosheen Hossain

B. The meeting was called to order at 6:38 P.M. Quorum was achieved with 7 Commissioners present.

C. Land Acknowledgement

D. Orders of the Day

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

III. **Open Forum:** One individual addressed the Commission.

#### IV. Consent Calendar

A. Approve January 23, 2023 Agenda

B. Approve November 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes

C. Approve November 28, 2022 Attendance Record

On the motion of Commissioner Khan, seconded by Commissioner Bansal, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the items on the Consent Calendar.

**V. Discussion/Action Items**

**A. Homelessness Response Team Youth RFP (N. Hossain)**

Housing Department Analyst, Nosheen Hossain, presented on the Direct Cash Transfer and Services program. The program is an effort to help divert homelessness with young adults ages 18-24 who are at or entering homelessness. The program provides funds to organizations with program proposals that help target young adults with institutional history and established alternative means of at-risk or experiencing homelessness. The program must serve a minimum 40 participants with a monthly unconditional stipend of \$1,000 per month for 21 months. Program proposals by organizations must list criteria on how participants are selected and integrate community-identified frameworks into their program design.

Discussion followed.

**B. Santa Clara County Bill of Rights for Children and Young Adults (C. Cole)**  
***(DEFERRED)***

**C. District 4 Event Proposal: Partnerships with SJ Tech Companies**  
**(Commissioner Khan)**  
***(DEFERRED)***

**D. District 4 Event Proposal: School Supply Fundraiser (Commissioner Khan)**  
***(DEFERRED)***

**E. District 5 Event Proposal: Policython (Commissioner Lieu)**

Commissioner Lieu presented the District 5 Policy Conference open to all youths in San Jose. This conference will allow 30 participants to learn about the decision process, proposal creation, and presented to a panel of professionals. Registration links will be sent to Commissioners for distribution to other youths in San Jose.

Discussion followed.

On the motion of Commissioner Khan, seconded by Commissioner Lieu, the Commission voted unanimously to accept District 5 Event Proposal: Policython.

**VI. Reports and Information Only**

**A. Office of the City Manager Report**

Kevin Huynh, Executive Analyst, provided a status update on the Office's focus groups. To date, the focus groups presentations have been completed. The next phase of community engagement is the Citywide Survey for youth/young adults and parents/caregivers until January 28<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Huynh encouraged Commissioners to share the link of the survey with the community.

Commissioner Janapty joined the meeting at 7:00pm.

**B. Parks and Recreation Neighborhood Services Report**

Recreation Supervision Nick Georgoff, shared update of the Parks and Recreation Neighborhood. Camden Community Center, Southside Community Center, and Seventrees Community Center has been utilized as care shelters from the January winter storms. These centers will be closing soon. Registration for Spring and Summer camps will be open on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> and Scholarship eligible participants can register on February 15<sup>th</sup> will be closing. More information about events and updates can be found at [issuu.com/sjparksandrec](https://issuu.com/sjparksandrec).

**C. San José Library Report**

Michelle Ornat, Library Deputy Director of Public Services, shared updates about the San Jose Public Library (SJPL). SJPL Winter Reading Program will continue until January 31<sup>st</sup> and registration is still open on the website. SJPL will be celebrating Black History Month throughout the month of February throughout library locations. Silicon Valley Reads kicks-off on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, in its 20<sup>th</sup> year celebrating with the theme of *Journey to New Beginnings*. More information about events and updates can be found at [www.sjpl.org](http://www.sjpl.org).

**D. Commission Chair Report**

Vice Chair Sriram shared that the Budget Summit will be on January 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library.

**E. Commissioner's Report per City District**

Each Commissioner shared a report of their district.

**VII. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agendas**

A. Cloe Cole presenting on Santa Clara County Bill of Rights for Children and Young Adults.

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B. Commissioner Khan requested District 4 YAC's two deferred event proposals for February 2023 Youth Commission Agenda: partnerships with San Jose Tech Companies and School Supply Fundraiser.

**VIII. Adjournment**

On the motion of Commissioner Hoang, seconded by Commissioner Lu, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

The next regular meeting will be an in-person meeting on February 27, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.

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Gordon Chen, Chair  
San José Public Youth Commission

ATTEST:  
LIBRARY AND EDUCATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

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Megan Maloy