

HAYWARD YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES May 1, 2017

Call to Order - 6:32 PM

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Commissioner West

Roll Call – Present: Karen Andrade, Kimberly Babasa, Gerardo Barcenas, Daniel Cardenas, Cuauhtemoc Gonzalez, Cristian Hernandez-Perez, Andrew Herrera, Julian Johnson, Myles McGee, Claudine Narayan, Karla Raiz-Anaya, Leslie Sanchez, Samara Sanders, Kobe Shelby, Supreet Thiara, Joshua Tran, Danielle West

Absent: Raveena Atwal, Keziah Aurin, Andrea Martinez, Felicity Usac (excused absent)

Approval of minutes: All commissioners voted in favor of approving the minutes from the previous meeting (April 17th). Commissioner Herrera motioned to approve the minutes, and Commissioner Gerardo seconded this motion.

Public comments: N/A

Guest speakers: N/A

Task Force Updates:

- Keep Hayward Clean and Green: The 13th annual city wide clean-up will be hosted at Weekes Park on Saturday, May 13th from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm noon. Free food!
- Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth: On May 20th from, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at Weekes Park, the Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth, in partnership with HARD, will sponsor a fun youth event. Giveaways, food, carnival games, and a free bike clinic will be featured at this event.

Hayward City Council Reports:

The Shutter Hotel and the old Mervyn's buildings will both be demolished in the city-wide beautification program. The city of Hayward will celebrate Cinco de Mayo on Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Councilmember Zermeno congratulated Commissioner Kimberly Babasa for winning an oratorical contest, and he also honored Commissioner Maya Branco for her outstanding presentation at the contest. Councilmember Zermeno also announces that the city of Hayward has approved an addition of \$11 million to the street construction budget in Hayward.

Planning Projects:

Human trafficking - This group worked on flyers, Commissioner Supreet gives a brief overview of the flyer, and mentions that the group will reach out to someone who will make the report more aesthetically pleasing.

Survey group - This group met an hour before the meeting, and finalized their detailed report regarding all of the data and patterns and trends they studied. They will present this information to H.A.R.D on May 22nd.

Community service - On May 22nd at 6:30 pm, the community service group will also present their research and information to H.A.R.D.

Scholarship - The scholarship group continues to press commissioners about turning in monies from the t-shirt sales. Some commissioners still have outstanding dues for the t-shirts, and reminder emails will be sent in order to collect these funds. Additionally, the scholarship group reminds the commission that the scholarship application is due on May 15th.

Announcements - Advisor Rina presents a poster featuring a job advertisement for youth. She mentions that sometimes, these posters may advertise seemingly innocuous activities, but are actually predatory towards youth. This recent increase in suspicious posters around Hayward is also very relevant to our group, given our emphasis on human trafficking prevention and outreach.

Councilmember Zermeno announces that at 5:30 pm, (in the hour prior to our upcoming HYC meeting), he will be at Off the Grid giving out free sodas.

Advisor Zach also reminds the commission to fill out the quick survey sent to us in our email. These questions will form our biography section for the Hayward Youth Commission.

Councilmember Zermeno approached the mayor about having a "Hayward Youngster Hall of Fame," where the City Council will host an annual youth celebration program. Adults will nominate youth in the community who excel in academics, athletics, the arts, community service, etc. Seventy students will be chosen from this initial round. After this selection process, each city council member will select one student who embodies exceptional scholarship, athleticism, artistry, etc. At a function in November, 7, 2017, members of the community will be invited to celebrate these youth at the "Hayward Youngster Hall of Fame" convention. These students will also be featured on the City of Hayward website.