



# CITY OF HAYWARD

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## Minutes

### Library Commission

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**May 19, 2025**

**6:30 PM**

**Downtown Library  
Community Learning Center**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairperson Dozier called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **AB 2449 TELECONFERENCE NOTIFICATIONS AND CONSIDERATION**

No notifications or considerations to report/discuss.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Joshua De Miguel, Acting Chairperson Dominique Dozier, Shareen Purcell, Crystal Porter, and Councilmember Roche  
Absent: Commissioner Valerie Fredericks, Shonda Goward, Maryha Kelsch, and Suresh Sangiah  
Staff: Jayanti Addleman, Director of Library Services  
Jina Kim, Administrative Secretary  
Guests: Clio Hathaway, Supervising Librarian

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MIN 25-039** Library Commission Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2025

Motioned by Commissioner Purcell to approve the March 27 Library Commission Minutes:  
seconded by Commissioner Porter. Passed 5-0-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There being no general public comments, Chairperson Goward opened and closed the public comment period at 6:31 pm.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Homework Support Center Report
  - Presenter unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances.
- b. Pre-K/Children's/Teen Programs (Including Summer Slide/Summer reading)
  - Presentation led by Supervising Librarian Clio Hathaway
  - Attempts to coordinate Summer Reading programs and HUSD such as, promotion through Peachjar newsletters, Curbie visits, school visits, online presence, and partnering directly through HUSD teachers.
  - It is not promoted to the same extent for preschools
  - Summer reading challenge books are not limited to the books we have available at HPL; We do not want to limit children and adults to be able to record books that are only available at the library.
  - Participants can sign up from home. No need to come to the Library to sign-up. Our goal is to make the program easy to participate in.

- More information regarding the Summer camps lottery system on our website.
  - Registrations for the lottery opened today.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Letter Writing Committee
  - No report
- b. Report from Welcome Committee
  - Updated Welcome Packet finalized by City Clerk's Office and shared by Director Addleman
- c. Report from CSUEB-Chabot Partnership Committee
  - Director Addleman met with the Dean of CSU and Chabot Library services – will be meeting regularly and hope to discuss future partnering opportunities
- d. Report from Budget Support Committee
  - No report
- e. Report from Community Outreach Committee
  - No report

**RECOMMENDATIONS****REPORTS**

- a. Library Director
  - Commissioners whose terms are ending this year: De Miguel, Sangiah, and Fredericks
    - CCO Need to hear back by 5/30
  - Commissioner Maryha Kelsch resigned, and resignation will be officially approved tomorrow at the City Council meeting
    - Will wait till September to recruit new commissioners
    - One vacancy as of now
  - 49'ers Foundation Follow Your Bliss Ceremony awarded our staff Ivan Padilla
    - The library was awarded 2K for materials
    - Will be recognized again at a future 49ers game
  - Partnership with SF Opera
    - La Boheme 6/28 and 6/29 in the afternoon at Heritage Plaza
  - Bring Your Child to Work Day
  - LitHop
  - Alka Joshi Program
  - AANHPI month
  - IMLS Advocacy Continues
  - Community Hub on track
    - 6/6 Ribbon Cutting
  - Banned Books Week ideas
    - Children's area display and scavenger hunt
    - Teen scavenger hunt
    - Online reading list
    - HPL reading list
    - Will the list of banned books be posted on social media or via HPL website?
    - Intellectual Freedom In-Person Training on 5/22
  - Weekes Branch opening date moved to mid-July
    - Still looking for an artist to reconstruct the lion statue at Weekes Branch
- b. City Council Liaison
  - Commissioners: find people interested in the library for commissioner opening

- Pours & Pastels Alka Joshi Program
- City Budget Season
  - \$12 Million deficit
  - Work session last week
  - Staffing cuts are not on the table at the moment
  - Hiring freeze
- c. Friends of Hayward Library
  - No report
- d. Library Commissioners
  - Photo with the Mayor tomorrow for Library Proclamation
    - At the Mayor's office at 1:45 PM
  - Request a compiled list of events that focus on the library so that the Commission can be proactive in supporting HPL, for example, banned books weeks, library appreciation week

**AGENDA BUILDING**

- Friends of the Hayward Library Report
- Hayward Literacy Plus Council Report
- Adult Literacy & ESL Services Report

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING June 16, 2025**

<b>Attendance Commissioner</b>	<b>Present at 05/19/2024 Meeting</b>	<b>Meetings Present to Date This Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Meetings Absent to Date this Fiscal Year</b>
Joshua De Miguel***	√	6	1
Dominique Dozier	√	6	2
Valerie Fredericks***	-	5	2
Shonda Goward	-	6	2
Marhya Kelsch**	-	4	4
Sofy Navarro	√	6	2
Crystal Porter	√	6	2
Shareen Purcell	√	8	0
Suresh Sangiah	-	5	3
<b>Council Member</b>			
Julie Roche	√	6	2

\*\*Commissioner Kelsch moving from alternate status to Commissioner as of 2/26/24 meeting

\*\*\*Commissioners De Miguel and Fredericks sworn in as of 09/17/2024.

\*\*\*\*Commissioner Kelsch resigned as of 5/12/2025