



CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes

9/8/25, 6:30 PM

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:33pm by Temiloluwa Ogunkanmi, Chair of the HYC

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Barrera led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:33pm.

6:35 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Florencio B., Mateo B., Elisabet B., Josue B., Arianna C., Alex(a) C., Remy M., Israel M., Temiloluwa O., Nishant S., Ananya S., Jeremiah W., Ameera B., Lydia D., Rachel M., Ezekiel N., Shyla R., Ivan R., Eliam G., Peter G., Jacob J., Zoe K., Julia P., Shreya R., Isla S., Leilani S., Michelle V., Erik A., Cesar C., Amelie H., Teresa R., Alaia S.,

ABSENT: Erik A.,

6:40 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Barrera made the motion to approve the minutes from 5/13/2025, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Jacob: Approve: 21, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

6:45 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:50 BROWN ACT, ATTENDANCE POLICY, AND MEETING STRUCTURE

Micheal Lawson, City Attorney, spoke about the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Ralph M. Brown Act:

California law regarding open meeting rules/standards:

No secret meetings are allowed to be held

No electrotonic devices during meetings, no texting/emailing commissions or businesses outside of a public meeting. Quorum must be present to start and continue meetings

Meetings should allow for full discussion by all member and members of the public are entitled to speak

The general public should be able to know and discuss what our meetings are about.

California Public Records Act:

The Public Records Act requires public access to most records generated by public agencies, including the Youth Commission. No reason or justification has to be given to make a public records request.

Emails, texts and reports are considered public records.



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Anti-bullying & College Admission:

Bullying and other actions related to bullying aren't permitted and aren't tolerated by the City. Service on the HYC is a valuable experience that will reflect positively on college applications

Miriam Lens - City Clerk
Hayward Attendance Policy
COUNCIL RESOLUTION 87-323

This establishes a connection between the Commission and Commission members as this section requires that no less than 75% of all regular meetings be attended by the Commission members. If a Commission member is unable to attend meetings due to sickness(i.e.), they should notify the advisors and attempt to join via virtually. If 25% of meetings are consecutively missed, then Commission members may be taken off the board, and if this were to occur. A commission member is off the commission, but there is a possibility to appeal this decision and be brought back onto the commission board.

Meeting Format:

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Public Comment
5. Agenda Items
6. Agenda Reports and Q&A
7. Public Comment
8. Motion
9. Second for the Motion
10. Discussion
11. Vote
12. Adjourn

Role of the Chair:

Understand Brown Act Rules
Takes The Lead role on process
Move the meeting and agenda
Takes less active role in discussion

Responsibility of Members:

Read the Agenda and Reports
Create the Right Atmosphere
Request Permission to Speak
Participate
Be a Liaison to schools



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7:20 AGENCY AND TASK FORCE UPDATES

City of Hayward: None

HARD: Advisor Tibbetts expressed her excitement to see all the new and returning commissioners at today's meeting and introduced HARD Board of Director, Mr. Peter Rosen who was in attendance.

Advisor Ewings spoke about the bridge to college program so contact him if you are interested. Larry also introduced the YEP Youth Internship, an opportunity for youth to get paid work internships.

Library: Advisor Padilla spoke about diaper giveaways that are every second Thursday of the month at 11am. He also needs Trunk or treat volunteers. There will be a car decorating contest at the Trunk or Treat parade!

7:30 OFFICER ELECTION DISCUSSION

The Commission shall vote upon for people to hold the following roles:

Chairperson

Vice Chair

Chair Pro-Temp

Secretary

Deputy Secretary

Public Information Officer

Note that only voting members are able to apply for these roles. Advisor Jen heavily suggested for all those applicable (voting members) to apply because of its benefits to one's resume and college applications.

7:45 SACRAMENTO FIELD TRIP DISCUSSION

Last year at the Sacramento Field Trip, The Commission had the opportunity to talk to Senator Wahab and experienced what it's like to be in a voting room. The commission was also able to take a tour of the Capital building.

The stipend for Food & Souvenirs was \$30 in previous years.

Commissioners suggested these ideas for the next Sacramento trip:

- Possible timing in October, November, or during Winter Break.
- Possibly skipping the tour of the Capital
- The tour part of the trip felt draining rather than informational, especially due to its lengthiness
- Rather than doing a guided tour, doing a self-tour is possible
- The date for the trip is preferred not to be Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays.

Commissioner Isla Salgado & Commissioner Arianna Cervantes volunteered to do research for possible alternatives instead of the tour of the Capital.



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Some commissioners questioned why the trip had to be in Sacramento. Advisor Larry, Ivan and Jen responded by clarifying that an alternative option could be voted on, however, this will still be a fresh experience for new commissioners.

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays are off the charts.

7:55 ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA DETAILS

Advisor Tibbetts from HARD shared a new employment opportunity: the Mobile REC program. The work is on the weekends. Work can include operating table events or the rock wall. \$16.40-22/hr is the expected pay scale. VIP, Volunteers in Parks, are also needed. Some tasks performed are cleaning up the park, beautifying it and making it nicer overall. She also shared information about a free teen event on Friday, September 26 where you can play in golf simulators. On Friday, November 14, there will be a Paint Nite! There are also opportunities for volunteering available! Join the V.I.P program and you will receive lots of opportunities to go volunteer at parks. Director Rosen also expressed his interest for people to possibly join the Hayward Shoreline this Saturday for the 5k & 10k run.

Hayward Rides is a program designed to initiate and increase biking in the Hayward City, and they are also giving out free bikes in order to boost bike usage.

Hayward Youth Commissioners are able to be the first to receive these bikes as they aided in giving this program a name and in order to receive these bikes HYC members should come to the front of the Hayward City Hall on October 4th starting at 1pm & ending at 5pm if they want to be able to claim their bikes.

Advisor Ivan strongly reminded all Commissioners to fill out the Hayward Rides survey. The program needs information soon.

7:46 COOKIE DETAILS

Commissioners Isla, Remy and Michelle have volunteered for the 10/6/25 HYC Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Temiloluwa Ogunkanmi adjourned the HYC at 7:47pm.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Larry Ewings", written over a horizontal line.

Larry Ewings, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
Hayward Unified School District



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ATTEST:

Ivan Padilla

Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
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