



CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes

3/13/23 DATE, 6:30 p.m.

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:45 pm by Commissioner Anna Tran.

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Sharana Sabesan led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:46 pm.

6:47 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Sophia S., Diego F., Josue S., Alessandra, Rachel M., Crystal, Ronak, Zoe, Liliana, Arianna, James, Shreya K., Sharana, Giselle, Athena C., Ananya, Alicia C., Vanna, Savonnah W., Ronak, Anna

ABSENT: Hulissa, Taylor Y., Giselle, Damian A., Phylis A., Harnoor, Samiksha, Isa, Liliana, Penelope, Anna, Michael

6:49 UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING

No updates.

6:49 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sharana made the motion to approve the minutes from 1/9/2023, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner James Mira: Approve: 12, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

Commissioner Sophia made the motion to approve the minutes from 2/6/2023, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Ronak: Approve: 13, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

6:49 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:50 GUEST SPEAKERS

Debbie Hernandez from Hayward Area Recreation and Park

April 14th, 2023, there will be karaoke at the Hayward Senior Center.

June 16th, 2023, there will be a silent disco, where individuals wear headphones and music plays in their ears, and they can dance. This will be hosted at the San Felipe Community Center. The cap age is to be determined.

Splash day will be on April 5th at Meeke Park. Registration is available online prior to each date. For the commissioner, flyers will be sent electronically to promote. All these events are free.



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7:17 UPDATES

No commissioners attended the last Keep Hayward Clean and Green meeting

7:00 HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL, HARD, HUSD & LIBRARY REPORTS

Hayward City Council: Mayor Salinas welcomes everyone for joining the meeting. He states that including liaison is really crucial. He affirms the work that the HYC has been accomplishing and acknowledges the sheer talent that each commissioner has. He emphasizes that Hayward Unified School District has roughly 22,000 students; there are about 30,000 high school students in the city of Hayward. Of these students, there are 31 students that have risen to the top and dedicated time to the city. 160,000 people who live in the city, and of these people there are 7 city councils to lead the city. 7 have stepped up to tackle the biggest issues in the parks and recreation in the city. All members of HYC have been chosen and appointed and selected because of their talents and the interviews. It might not seem like much but the work has been impactful and Mayor Salinas wants to acknowledge that.

He further states that the adults in the room support the HYC with all their effort. There is no bonus on their checks to help dedicate their commitment to the youth commission. They are committed to see the HYC in this process. Mayor Salinas dedicated himself to this commission because he wants to address the biggest challenges in the city of Hayward head-on. Meeting as a commission is a very unique opportunity post-pandemic and this commission is able to reset what is normal and what the city will do moving forward. The mayor highlights that there is a blank slate and to be able to reset what the future holds and to reset what is done in our communities is powerful. Mayor Salinas emphasizes the power the HYC has to define what the kids in the next generations will do after us. He wanted to task all of the Commissioners and adults to think big and to think about what can the commission can do to change the course of what the youth of Hayward can do. His next steps for the commission are to rethink how everything in the city will work and to reimagine the processes that may have been harmful in the past. This will set a progressive outlook towards the future.

Whatever is done in the HYC, Mayor Salinas will push everyone to accomplish bigger. The main message of his account is to think big and to define what kids do in the next 10 years. He believes the commission can set a precedent for the future youth.

HARD: President of HARD - Rick Hatcher. Mr. Hatcher states that if rules are not working, this is the signal to change. He recognizes that youth voices are incredibly important to be heard. He believes that that building parks and spaces fosters imagination and creativity in the people who access these spaces. With the recreation that is available to the people who live in Hayward, this is able to open the gates to fun, innovation, and community. HARD is able to bring recreation to the youth to open up fun, and HARD is here to listen.

HUSD: Hiring of students and internships for summer programs. Students will have the opportunity to work with younger students that will hopefully be carried out during the school year as well. As a



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district, they are trying to focus on the younger HUSD students that are engaged and involved in activities. The focus for March is the arts. There is an upcoming conference this Saturday.

Library: Diaper distribution ran out in 15 minutes. Trying to get 600,000 diapers for the city. Trying to make a drive up for the diapers. Homework support centers are doing well and have been going on for the past 3 weeks. Hoping to open one at South Gate Middle School. Homework centers are back in full swing. Working on the tech movement as the people in the city do not have much access to technology services. To address this, Hayward has started to place chromebooks and hotspots to be checked out at senior centers. The library wants to help define what the community need and help address those needs.

7:23 HYC CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WORK

Logistics Team: Requesting \$2,000, \$1,600 is for lunch and 400\$ for giveaways. AirPods pro and other gift cards.

Performances and Guest speakers: Requesting \$500 for guest speakers and performances.stad 1-1:30 it will be 1-1:15 so people have time for

Advertising: Banners, posters and flyers will be used. Requesting \$500.

7:23 VOTING ON ALLOCATIONS OF FUNDS

Each committee will propose how much money they need for the conference and we must vote on it tonight. Currently, the commission has \$5,639.80 allotted for the year

Commissioner James Mira made the motion to approve the allocation of \$3,000 for the Hayward Youth Conference, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Sophia: Approve: 17, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

8:03 ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYC Clean up day at the Tennyson High School Area Clean Up will be on Saturday March 25th from 11am to 1pm. RSVP will be sent out this following week,

Conference: April 22nd 9:30am to 2pm

Mayor Mark Salinas offered a raffle prize of a BBQ dinner with him for 5 people.

Rick Hatcher will bring cookies for the next HYC meeting

Discussed a Sacramento trip for the HYC for sometime in May.

Commissioner Ananya made the motion to approve a discussion for next HYC meeting about a Sacramento trip, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Sophia: Approve: 16, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2023 6:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Anna adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm.



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APPROVED:

Savannah Wong, Commissioner
Hayward Youth Commission

ATTEST:

Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
City of Hayward