

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes 5/8/23 DATE, 6:30 p.m.

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:47 pm by Commissioner Anna Tran.

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Anna Tran led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:48 pm.

6:48 ROLL CALL

<u>PRESENT:</u> Sophia S., Josue S., Giselle, Alessandra, Phylis A., Crystal, Ronak, Zoe, Samiksha, James, Shreya K., Alicia C., Savonnah W., Ronak, Anna

<u>ABSENT:</u> Hulissa, Diego F., Taylor Y., Damian A., Rachel M., Harnoor, Athena, Isa, Liliana, Sharana, Ananya, Penelope, Vanna, Michael

6:50 UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING

No updates.

6:50 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Phylis made the motion to approve the minutes from 4/10/2023, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Samiksha: Approve: 14, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

6:51 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:51 UPDATES

No updates

6:52 GUEST SPEAKERS

Karishma Khatri, Office of Assemblymember Liz Ortega.

In July 2022, 55% of young people were employed in the US, which is 21 million individuals who work low-wage jobs. Ten states are working to weaken child labor laws, which will infringe on the right of minors in the workforce.

Many associations in California have already been in support of the legislation to help counter the weakening of child labor laws. This bill will prohibit employers from exploiting workers who are minors. Ms. Karishma hopes to gain the support of the HYC on this bill. This bill will protect minors from sexual harassment and other hazardous conditions.

7:03 APPROVAL OF MINUTES



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Commissioner Sophia made the motion to approve HYC's support in Assemblymember Liz Ortega's bill, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Ronak: Approve: 14, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

7:04 UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING

Update from Keep Hayward Clean by Commissioner Samiksha. July 27th at Jackson Triangle for the Hayward Clean Up Day. On June 15th, there will be a Juneteenth party on A and B Street from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. To be determined Hayward street parties occurring in August and September

7:06 HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL, HARD, HUSD & LIBRARY REPORTS

Hayward City Council: Mayor Salinas acknowledges Ms. Karishma to come to speak with the committee. Acknowledges that some commissioners are graduating and going to colleges and encourages commissioners to keep in touch. To those coming back next year, Mayor Salinas wants and hopes these commissioners will stay engaged. In the city of Hayward, there are 150,000 people who live in the city, and about 40% of the population is younger than 21 years old. This is 64,000 people. The HYC members represent 40% of the population of Hayward. For those who are coming back, their voices are incredibly important.

There is a new council member, Ray Bonilla. He is born and raised in Hayward. He is a great individual and knows Hayward incredibly well. He is familiar with every neighborhood. His career in public service started in the HYC. Councilmemebr Goldstein is a new addition as well. The council is finally full. On 5/9/2023 will have a meeting delegating what are the goals of the council and the city. There are six priorities of the council. Keep Hayward Clean, Housing, Safety, Quality of Life, Budget, and Stewardship. Will review the priorities and see what will be renewed or altered.

The total city portfolio is about \$401 million dollars. This money is carved into two different areas: money that is spent every year and the other portion that is invested. The city spends about \$200 million annually.

HARD: Opportunities for volunteers in parks. These are available on May 20th in Greenwood Park and in June. The next cycle of Clean and Green provides individuals with the opportunity so they can cut hedges, clear trash, etc. Starting the budget season, so if HYC has ideas about where the tax dollars should go, can contact HARD. Recreation summertime is the busiest season, and there are volunteer opportunities for community engagement. If commissioners want to get job experience, these opportunities are plentiful at HARD.

HUSD: Dr. Raymond, who is currently at Castro Valley, will assume the role of Assistant Superintendent at HUSD.



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Library: Volunteering opportunities are available for this summer. This summer, the Words for Lunch program will have 2 sites: Heritage Park and Mia's Dream Site. This is hosted on Tuesdays and Thursdays to distribute lunch from 10 am to 12:30 pm.

7:32 YOUTH CONFERENCE POST DISCUSSION

A diverse amount of responses from the survey. There were a lot of schools represented. A majority of individuals said they had fun and learned something, and had a chance to express their ideas. They felt they were able to contribute to the workshop. Overall the feedback was positive. A lot of positive feedback on the Drug Awareness Workshop.

Feedback:

Hayward Youth Commission Positives: In-person meetings, Hosting an in-person conference Hayward Youth Commission Possible Changes: Having more team-bonding activities, making more of an effort to attend in-person meetings as it is the commissioner's responsibility to attend, as this is a commitment that was agreed upon in the beginning.

HYC Conference Positives: Good turn out, had performances and workshops that individuals like to attend.

HYC Conference Possible Changes: Shorten beginning performances to focus more on workshops, have more workshops, and start outreach for the conference earlier

8:03 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Commission Next Year

Fall (Sept-Dec)

Orientation

Team building

Sacrament field trip

Winter - Spring (Jan-Apr)

Educational Focus (in collaboration with HUSD)

Environmental Focus (in collaboration with City/Library)

Teen Event (in collaboration with HARD)

Instead of hosting a conference, will host 3 different events in partnership with HUSD, the City/Library, and HARD.

Next HYC meeting TBH FALL 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Anna adjourned the Last HYC meeting for 2023 at 8:04 pm.

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APPROVED:

Savonnah Wong, Commissioner Hayward Youth Commission

ATTEST:

Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor

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