

City of Gilroy
Youth Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 8, 2023 | 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Youth Commission was called to order by Chair L. Hwang at 6:00 p.m.

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

Flag salute was led by Chair L. Hwang.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Attendance	Attendee Name
Present	James Dinh, Commissioner Aiden Francis, Commissioner Sophie Gong, Commissioner Isaac Hwang, Commissioner Ezequiel Lopez, Commissioner Jaimee Nguyen, Commissioner Melanie Reynolds, Commissioner Winston James, Vice Chair Lavender Hwang, Chair
Absent	Alfred James, Commissioner Alexis Miller, Commissioner

4. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Youth Commission meeting packet and agenda was posted online and at the City Hall kiosk on Friday, May 5, 2023.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.1. Monday, April 10, 2023

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Winston James, Vice Chair

SECONDER Ezequiel Lopez, Commissioner

AYES: Commissioner Dinh, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Gong, Commissioner Hwang, Commissioner Lopez, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Reynolds, Vice Chair James, Chair Hwang

ABSENT: Commissioner James, Commissioner Miller

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No public comment.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1. **Proposed Start Date to Monday, August 21, 2023.**

Staff recommended the date change to Monday, August 21, 2023 since the meeting occurs two days prior to the first day of school (August 16) for Gilroy Unified School District students. Staff mentioned potential conflicts for commissioners including student orientation, back to school tasks, and summer vacation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to extend the start date to Monday, August 21, 2023. Motion was seconded by Vice Chair W. James. The Youth Commission voted unanimously with a 9-0-2 (absent: Commissioner Miller and Commissioner A. James.)

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Aiden Francis, Commissioner

SECONDER Winston James, Vice Chair

AYES: Commissioner Dinh, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Gong, Commissioner Hwang, Commissioner Lopez, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Reynolds, Vice Chair James, Chair Hwang

ABSENT: Commissioner James, Commissioner Miller

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

8.1. **Updates on the Youth Commission Work Plan.**

The Commission discussed the following topics from the current work plan:

- **Day of the Child/Kids Discover Art:** Event took place on Saturday, April 29 from 1-4 pm at San Ysidro Park. 9 out of 11 Commissioners were present.
 - a. Pros (what went well):
 - Served over 300 participants.
 - The youth enjoyed the face paint station.
 - Commissioners were able to assist other crafts.
 - Successful event.
 - b. Deltas (suggestions and things to improve upon):
 - Beads were messy and a challenge to clean.
 - Overestimating the youth's ability to make a bracelet/necklace.
 - Keeping the waiting line and flow of traffic more organized.
- **Royal Red Carpet:** Event is set for Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 9:30-12pm at Wheeler Community Center. Staff will arrive at 7:45 a.m. Volunteers will arrive at 8:00 a.m. All materials have been delivered. Commissioners recommended to purchase additional table covers, utensils, and food including bananas, muffins, waters, and oranges. A layout will be created to distribute to volunteers and Commissioners.

8.2. **Review the May 15, 2023 Youth Commission Presentation to City Council.**

The Youth Commission updated the PowerPoint presentation to City Council. The presentation includes Holiday Posada, Kids Discover Art, Royal Red Carpet, Proposed Youth and Teen Center, and future opportunities/updates.

Chair L. Hwang and Vice Chair W. James will meet with staff and finalize the presentation and white paper about the proposed youth and teen center on Thursday, May 11, 2023.

9. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

The following items will be added to the August regular meeting agenda:

1. Review the Brown Act Bylaws.
2. Youth Commission goals for the upcoming term.
3. Discuss the OpportuniTEEN event.
4. Review official meeting dates for the term.
5. Discuss and organize a Youth Commission Retreat.

10. **STAFF/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** None

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair L. Hwang adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Youth Commission of the City of Gilroy.

Vince Bautista, Jr.
Secretary