

**City of Gilroy**  
**Youth Commission Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, September 9, 2024 | 6:00 PM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Alfred James called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

| Attendance | Attendee Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| Present    | Maya Beyret, Vice Chair<br>Alfred James, Chair<br>Thanmay Sarath, Commissioner<br>Jaimee Nguyen, Commissioner<br>Anna Nguyen, Commissioner<br>Jacob Ortega , Commissioner<br>Karin Rodriguez Sandoval, Commissioner<br>Gianna Garcia, Commissioner<br>Emily Lai, Treasurer |
| Absent     | Biruh Abaneh, Commissioner<br>Aiden Francis, Commissioner                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

4. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The meeting agenda was posted on September 6, 2024.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.1. August 26, 2024

**RESULT: Pass**

**MOVER:** Karin Rodriguez Sandoval, Commissioner

**SECONDER** Anna Nguyen, Commissioner

**AYES:** Vice Chair Beyret, Chair James, Commissioner Sarath, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Ortega, Commissioner Rodriguez Sandoval, Commissioner Garcia, Treasurer Lai

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Abaneh

Commissioner Sandoval Rodriguez motioned to approve the Monday, August 26, 2024 minutes. Commissioner Anna Nguyen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 9-0-2 vote (Abandeh and Francis absent).

6. **INTRODUCTIONS**

None.

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

None.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1. **Treasurer's Report for the Youth Commission as of September 1, 2024.**

Treasurer Lai reported the Treasurer's Report as stated in the staff report. During the previous term, the Commission spent \$737.90 and has a current balance of \$1,068.83 in its account

8.2. **Discuss and Adopt FY2025 (July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025) Budget Cycle Youth Commission Work Plan**

Henig presented his staff report. During his presentation, he shared examples of what other youth commissions around the country are working on, which was mentioned in the staff report. He also shared what the Commission has worked on previously. He empathized the need for the commission to adopt a legislative/policy task into their work plan.

Chair James directed the Commission to form small groups to discuss ideas for a proposed work plan. Each group shared their ideas:

- Commissioner Anna Nguyen's group would like to consider expanding on the city's need for a youth center. Her group also considered working on an environmental issue in partnership with the local chapter of the American Association of University Women (AAUW), who spoke at the August meeting.
- Vice Chair Beyret's group wanted to continue offering smaller events like Tech Week and Breakfast with Santa. She also wanted to bring back OpportuniTEEN fair and add a focus on college, providing support for resumes and scholarships.
- Commissioner Sarath concurred with bringing back the OpportuniTEEN Fair and wanted to incorporate an environmental issue.

Chair James proposed to table the discussion and adopt a work plan in October. Commissioner Jaimee Nguyen motioned to table the discussion until the next meeting. Sandoval Rodriguez seconded. Motion passed 9-0-2.

**RESULT: Pass**

**MOVER:** Jaimee Nguyen, Commissioner

**SECONDER** Karin Rodriguez Sandoval, Commissioner

**AYES:** Vice Chair Beyret, Chair James, Commissioner Sarath, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Ortega, Commissioner Rodriguez Sandoval, Commissioner Garcia, Treasurer Lai

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Abaneh

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

10. **STAFF/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair James adjourned the meeting at 6:39 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.**

/s/Adam Henig  
Secretary