

Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting

September 10, 2024 | 5:00 p.m.

Chandler Police Department,
Main Station Community Room
250 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Commission Members

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Joseph Bushard
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Sanjana Balaji
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Pursuant to Resolution No. 4464 of the City of Chandler and to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Mayor's Youth Commission and to the general public that the Mayor's Youth Commission will hold a REGULAR MEETING open to the public on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., at Chandler Police Department Main Station Community Room, 250 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ. One or more Commissioners may be attending by telephone.

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Mayor's Youth Commission

Regular Meeting Agenda - September 10, 2024

Call to Order/Roll Call

Unscheduled Public Appearances

Members of the audience may address any item not on the agenda. State Statute prohibits the Board or Commission from discussing an item that is not on the agenda, but the Board or Commission does listen to your concerns and has staff follow up on any questions you raise.

Action Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
Move to approve the August 13, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes

Discussion

2. League of Arizona Cities and Towns Debrief
3. Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium Update
4. Chandler City Council Meeting Opportunity - October 14th, 5:45pm
5. 2025 Teen Leadership Academy

Briefing

6. City Government 101 Presentation - Alexis Apodaca, Staff Liaison

Member Comments/Announcements

Calendar

7. Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium - September 13, 2024, 10am - 3pm
City of Chandler Sponsorship Funding Program Panel Representative - September 17, 2024, 5pm - 8pm
Mayor's Youth Commission October Meeting - October 9, 2024 5:00pm
City of Chandler Council Meeting Attendance Opportunity - October 14, 2024 5:45pm
Parade of Lights Judging - December 7, 2024, 5pm

Adjourn



Mayor's Youth Commission Communications and Public Affairs

Date: 09/10/2024
To: Mayor's Youth Commission
From: Alexis Apodaca, Mayor & Council Public Affairs Senior Senior Manager
Subject: Approval of Minutes

Proposed Motion:

Move to approve the August 13, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes

Attachments

MYC Minutes August 24

Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Nivid Singhania at 5:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

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Staff Attendance

Alexis Apodaca, Staff Liaison

Absent

Joseph Bushard

Scheduled Public Appearances

None.

Unscheduled Public Appearances

Joseph Yang - Candidate for Chandler City Council, 303 E. Tremaine Dr., Chandler, AZ 85225
Joseph Yang introduced himself to the commission and thanked them for their service as commission members. He wished them a productive year ahead and a good meeting.

Action Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the April 9, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission minutes.

Action Agenda Motion and Vote

COMMISSIONER Sanjana Balaji moved to approve the April 9, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Mackenzie Cole.

Motion carried unanimously (18-0-1).

Discussion

2. Mayor Hartke's Welcome

Chair Singhania welcomes Mayor Hartke. Mayor Hartke introduced himself and talked to the commissioners about exploring new opportunities and advocating for youth issues in Chandler. He encouraged them to be leaders in their schools and spread awareness about civic engagement and mental health. He then took questions from the commission.

3. Group Introductions

Chair Singhania begins group introductions. The commission went around the room saying their name, grade, school, how many years they served in the commission, and their favorite candy.

4. Icebreakers

Vice-Chair Lee introduced Bingo where commissioners asked each other personal facts about each other relating to Chandler.

5. Mayor's Youth Commission Expectations, 2025 Schedule and Engagement Opportunities – Alexis Apodaca, Staff Liaison

Alexis Apodaca reviewed the 2024 MYC Commissioner expectation sheet. MYC Commissioners must follow expectations for meeting dates and events, including participating in at least four external events. Alexis also introduced the 2024-2025 MYC schedule. The biggest change from previous years is location of the meetings, which will now be held in the Community Room of the Chandler Police Department. Returning MYC commissioners signed an agreement to fulfill their duties as part of this commission.

6. League of Arizona Cities and Towns Youth Conference – August 28, 2024

Alexis and Chair Singhania discussed the upcoming League Conference, which is MYC's first professional development opportunity. It is scheduled for August 28th, 2024, for the whole day. Due to the limited space, six of the commissioners will represent MYC at this event. At this conference, the commissioners will experience professional development opportunities, meet other youth commissions, talk with Chandler Mayor and Council and participate in team building activities.

7. Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium – September 13, 2024, 10am – 3pm

Alexis explained the Town of Florence Symposium, which is a new event for MYC this year. It will be on September 13th, 2024. This opportunity will be given first priority to commissioners who are not going to the League Conference. At the symposium, attendees will be able to hear from leadership experts and learn how leadership principles are applied in real-world scenarios.

8. City of Chandler Sponsorship Funding Program Panel Representative – September 17, 2023, 5pm – 8pm

Chair Singhania presents the role of a panel representative for the MYC in the City of Chandler Sponsorship Funding Program. He shared insights from his experience last year, emphasizing the chance to learn from experienced panel members and to represent youth interests. The panel focuses on the allocation of funds to various nonprofits and organizations. Commissioner Sanjana Balaji was selected as this year's panel representative through a random draw.

9. Parade of Lights Judging – December 7, 2024, 5pm

Alexis provided details on judging for Parade of Lights, which will be on December 7th, 2024. Only MYC high school seniors will be eligible to serve as judges. During the parade, they will evaluate the parade floats and select the best one based on creative design, craftsmanship, impact, and other factors.

Member Comments/Announcements

None.

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Informational Items

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by COMMISSIONER Sanjana Balaji. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Mackenzie Cole. The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Alexis Apodaca, Secretary

Nivid Singhania, Chair