

# Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting

October 8, 2024 | 5 p.m.

Chandler Development Services Department  
South Atrium  
215 E. Buffalo St., Chandler, AZ



## Commission Members

Shripal Dupati  
Joseph Bushard  
Nivid Singhania  
Sanjana Balaji  
Makenzie Cole  
Julianna Henderson  
Olivia Lu  
Anthony Bushard  
Shea Lee  
Victoria Jagdon  
Aashi Singhai  
Alexander Rahman  
Hannah Luo  
Jaden Lu  
Lucy Garner  
Siddarth Ramkumar  
Abhiram Kumar  
Elizabeth Ovelil  
Teagan Tollefson

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, October 8, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., at Chandler Development Services Department, South Atrium, 215 E. Buffalo St., Chandler, AZ . One or more Commissioners may be attending by telephone.

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# Mayor's Youth Commission

## Regular Meeting Agenda - October 8, 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 September 10, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes
2. 2025 Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting Schedule  
Move the Mayor's Youth Commission approve the 2025 Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting Schedule.

### Briefing

3. Tour of Traffic Management Center
4. Overview of Transportation Policy - Nancy Jackson, Transportation Planning Program Coordinator
5. Downtown Region Area Plan Update Workshop
6. Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium Debrief
7. City of Chandler Sponsorship Funding Program Panel Debrief
8. Chandler City Council Meeting Engagement Opportunity - Monday, October 14th, 5:45pm
9. Community Volunteering Opportunity - For Our City Day Kickoff Event - Saturday, October 19th 6:00am - 10:30am

10. Community Volunteering Opportunity - Woofstock - Saturday, November 18th 8:30am - 11:00am and 10:30am - 1:00pm

## Member Comments/Announcements

## Calendar

11. Chandler City Council Meeting Engagement Opportunity - October 14th, 5:45pm
12. Community Volunteering Opportunity - For Our City Day Kickoff Event - Saturday, October 19th 6:00am - 10:30am
13. Mayor's Youth Commission November Meeting - November 12th, 5:00pm at Chandler Nature Center (4050 E. Chandler Heights Rd.), Painted Desert Room
14. Community Volunteering Opportunity - Woofstock - Saturday, November 18th 8:30am - 11:00am and 10:30am - 1:00pm
15. Tumbleweed Tree Lighting Volunteering Opportunity - Saturday, December 3rd

## Adjourn



**Mayor's Youth Commission      Communications and Public Affairs**

**Date:** 10/08/2024  
**To:** Mayor's Youth Commission  
**From:** Alexis Apodaca, Mayor & Council Public Affairs Senior Senior Manager  
**Subject:** Approval of Minutes

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**Proposed Motion:**

Move to approve the September 10, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes

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**Attachments**

MYC Minutes Sept 24

# Meeting Minutes

## 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



### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Nivid Singhania at 5:01 p.m.

### Roll Call

#### Commission Attendance

Shripal Dupati  
Nivid Singhania  
Sanjana Balaji  
Julianna Henderson  
Olivia Lu  
Shea Lee  
Alexander Rahman  
Hannah Luo  
Jaden Lu  
Lucy Garner  
Siddarth Ramkumar  
Abhiram Kumar  
Elizabeth Ovelil  
Teagan Tollefson  
Joseph Bushard

#### Staff Attendance

Alexis Apodaca, Staff Liaison

#### Absent

Makenzie Cole  
Victoria Jagdon

## **Scheduled Public Appearances**

None.

## **Unscheduled Public Appearances**

None.

## **Action Agenda**

### 1. Approval of Minutes

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

## **Action Agenda Motion and Vote**

COMMISSIONER Elizabeth Ovelil moved to approve the August 13, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Shripal Dupati.

Motion carried unanimously (15-0-4).

## **Discussion**

### 2. League of Arizona Cities and Towns Debrief

Commissioners who participated in the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Conference were asked to share their experiences. Commissioner Dupati described the focus on smaller cities and the value of discussing teen issues in Chandler directly with the Mayor and Council. He found these one-on-one conversations to be the highlight of the event. Vice-Chair Lee also added that the trivia session with the Mayor and Council was enjoyable and lively.

### 3. Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium Update

Chair Singhanian introduced the Town of Florence Teen Leadership Symposium, which will take place on Friday, September 13th. Alexis Apodaca emphasized the symposium as a professional development opportunity. Alexis updated that four commissioners had registered to attend. She reminded commissioners that it would be an hour's drive to Florence and the event would run from 10 AM to 3 PM. Commissioners are scheduled to meet at City Hall at 9:30 AM and will wear their official polos for the event.

#### 4. Chandler City Council Meeting Opportunity – October 13, 5:45pm

Chair Singhania introduced the opportunity to attend a Chandler City Council meeting. Alexis outlined the meeting schedule, where Commissioners should meet outside the Council Chambers at 5:45 PM, and be prepared for the meeting to start at 6 PM. She reminded the commissioners that they are expected to stay for the duration of the meeting to observe how the council operates.

#### 5. 2025 Teen Leadership Academy

Chair Singhania introduced the planning session for the Teen Leadership Academy (TLA), recapping last year's themes of civic engagement, substance abuse, and mental health, and discussing the format for the upcoming session. The commissioners opted for a one-day format for the TLA, scheduled for March 14th.

During the brainstorming segment, they considered various new topics, such as the impact of social media on mental health, the role of AI in education, and more. Ultimately, the group decided to focus on three main areas: mental health, civic engagement, and youth policies for the next TLA. To facilitate engagement, they also planned to incorporate icebreakers into the session.

### **Briefing**

#### 6. City Government 101

Alexis led a session aimed at educating the commissioners about Chandler's municipal government structure. She introduced the Mayor, Council, and city manager's office leadership, explaining their roles and the appointment process. The session included an interactive component where commissioners were tasked to research and report on different city departments.

## **Member Comments/Announcements**

None.

## **Calendar**

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

## **Informational Items**

## **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn was made by COMMISSIONER Sanjana Balaji. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Shripal Dupati. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM.

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Alexis Apodaca, Secretary

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Nivid Singhanian, Chair





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**Subject:** 2025 Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting Schedule

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**Proposed Motion:**

Move the Mayor's Youth Commission approve the 2025 Mayor's Youth Commission Regular Meeting Schedule.

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**Attachments**

2025 MYC Schedule



## 2024-2025 Mayor's Youth Commission Schedule

*Meetings generally held the second Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm at Chandler Police Department Main Station Community Room, 250 E. Chicago St., unless otherwise noted*

<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Meeting Type</b>
Tuesday, August 13, 2024	August MYC Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2024	September MYC Meeting
Tuesday, October 8, 2024	October MYC Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	November MYC Meeting
Tuesday, December 10, 2024	December MYC Meeting
Tuesday, January 14, 2024	January MYC Meeting
Tuesday, February 11, 2024	February MYC Meeting
Tuesday, March 4, 2024*	March MYC Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2024	April MYC Meeting
Tuesday, May 13, 2024	May MYC Meeting

\*Meeting the first Tuesday of the month