

# Meeting Minutes

## Mayor's Youth Commission

### Regular Meeting

January 14, 2025, 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 5:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

##### Commission Attendance

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

##### Staff Attendance

Alexis Apodaca, Staff Liaison  
Kaelee Brewer, Mayor and Council Community  
Engagement Support Clerk

##### Absent

Elizabeth Ovelil

## **Scheduled Public Appearances**

Kaelee Brewer, Mayor and Council Community Engagement Support Clerk, introduced herself to the commissioners. As part of Alexis Apodaca's team, she will be attending meetings leading up to the Teen Leadership Academy to observe the commissioners and collaborate with Alexis on planning for the event.

## **Unscheduled Public Appearances**

None.

## **Action Agenda**

### **1. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the December 10, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission minutes.

## **Action Agenda Motion and Vote**

COMMISSIONER Sanjana Balaji moved to approve the December 10, 2024 Mayor's Youth Commission meeting minutes. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Abhiram Kumar.

Motion carried unanimously (18-0-1).

## **Discussion**

### **2. Mayor's Youth Commission Applications**

Chair Singhania introduced the discussion on new applications for the Mayor's Youth Commission and encouraged commissioners to focus on recruitment efforts. Strategies included leveraging social media platforms, engaging friends and peers, and promoting the opportunity through nonprofits, clubs, and various youth programs.

### **3. Professional Development Opportunity: State of the City Attendance (February 13, 2025, 5:30pm - 7:30pm, Chandler Center for the Arts)**

The commissioners were informed about the details of the State of the City event at the Chandler Center for the Arts. The evening will begin with a lobby experience from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, featuring opportunities for networking, refreshments, and other engaging activities. Mayor Hartke's address will commence at 6:30 PM, highlighting accomplishments from the past year and outlining future plans.

### **4. Teen Leadership Academy Planning**

The commissioners reviewed and finalized plans for the Teen Leadership Academy, including confirming their individual leadership roles in the program. The Academy will focus on promoting civic engagement, exploring youth policy, and integrating mental health awareness. Activities will include interactive workshops, skill-building exercises, and sessions designed to help participants gain a deeper understanding of city operations.

## **Member Comments/Announcements**

None.

## **Calendar**

Mayor's Youth Commission February Meeting – February 11, 2025, 5:00pm at Chandler Police Department Main Station

## **Informational Items**

## **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn was made by COMMISSIONER Sanjana Balaji. Seconded by COMMISSIONER Makenzie Cole. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.



Alexis Apodaca, Secretary



Nivid Singhania, Chair