



City of Goodyear

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Meeting Minutes

Youth Commission

Wednesday, January 27, 2021

5:00 PM

Online Meeting - Zoom

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CALL TO ORDER

The Youth Commission meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 22 - Vice Chairman Madison See, Commissioner Patrick Bednarz, Commissioner Josh McGee, Commissioner Victoria Lauritano, Commissioner Raymond Gue, Commissioner Jackson Hamblin, Commissioner Connor Schaeffer, Commissioner Grace Schaeffer, Commissioner Lorenzo Castro, Commissioner Makayla Bradley, Commissioner Lucy Castro, Commissioner Teriah Cortez-Beasley, Commissioner Ivan Diaz, Commissioner Clarissa Garza, Commissioner Mariana Glass, Commissioner Marissa Kutt, Commissioner Paulina Magallanes, Commissioner Kirby Maitra, Commissioner Sidney Phillips, Commissioner Alan TorresArroyo, Commissioner Emily Shanafelt and Commissioner Paloma Sanchez
- Excused** 6 - Commissioner Noah Caraway, Commissioner Serena Navarro, Commissioner Meredith Horne, Commissioner Elias Linn, Commissioner Harrison Rice and Commissioner Allen Tat

Staff present: Assistant to the Council John Raeder

Guests present: Dr. Dominique Roe-Sepowitz, Arizona State University, Rubeena Malik, New Life Center, , Erin Furnish, City of Avondale, Ali Fawwaz, Savana Rodriguez, Dominique Luna, Peter Doe.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Human Trafficking Awareness Presentation (Dr. Dominique Roe-Sepowitz, Arizona State University)

Assistant to the Council John Raeder welcomed commissioners and guest and thanked everyone for attending a special sex trafficking awareness presentation in collaboration with the Goodyear Youth

Commission, Arizona State University and New Life Center.

Dr. Dominique Roe-Sepowitz, Director, Arizona State University Office of Sex Trafficking Intervention Research (STIR), provided an awareness presentation on sex trafficking. The presentation included an overview of sex trafficking definitions, risk factors, and key indicators. Dr. Roe-Sepowitz also provided trafficking case study examples and commissioners and guests engaged in discussion about risk factors, recruitment strategies and means of control.

Ms. Rubeena Malik, New Life Center, discussed available resources for trafficking victims and other services provided in Goodyear by the New Life Center.

Commissioners asked what steps could be taken to combat sex trafficking in our community.

Dr. Roe-Sepowitz recommended that the Goodyear Youth Commission work to develop a train-the-trainer model and create youth led awareness initiatives in schools.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

John Raeder, Assistant to the Council

Chairman Madison See, Chairman

Date: _____