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Youth Commission
Goodyear City Hall - Council Chambers
1900 N. Civic Square
Goodyear, AZ 85395



Wednesday, April 26, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Alan Torres Arroyo called the Youth Commission meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Lucy Castro; Commissioner Ivan Diaz; Commissioner Marissa Kutt; Commissioner Azyus Byrd; Commissioner Krislyn Lyons; Commissioner Paloma Sanchez; Chari Alan Torres Arroyo; Vice Chair Emily Shanafelt; Commissioner Emily McGee; Commissioner Robert Garcia; Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney; Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo

Absent: Commissioner Emma Yocopis; Commissioner Alanah Doyle; Commissioner Lex Landefeld; Commissioner Mia Doyle; Commissioner Rory Readinger; Commissioner Christian Garcia; Commissioner Lucas Hamblin; Commissioner Amaani Singh; Commissioner Natalia Piatek; Commissioner Michaela Grumbling

Staff Assistant to the Council John Raeder

Present:

MOTION BY Commissioner Emily McGee, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney to **EXCUSE** Commissioner Emma Yocopis; Commissioner Alanah Doyle; Commissioner Lex Landefeld; Commissioner Mia Doyle; Commissioner Rory Readinger; Commissioner Christian Garcia; Commissioner Lucas Hamblin; Commissioner Amaani Singh; Commissioner Natalia Piatek; and Commissioner Michaela Grumbling.

AYE: Commissioner Lucy Castro, Commissioner Ivan Diaz, Commissioner Marissa Kutt, Commissioner Azyus Byrd, Commissioner Krislyn Lyons, Commissioner Paloma Sanchez, Chari Alan Torres Arroyo, Vice Chair Emily Shanafelt, Commissioner Emily McGee, Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Robert Garcia

Other: Commissioner Emma Yocopis (Absent), Commissioner Alanah Doyle (Absent), Commissioner Amaani Singh (Absent), Commissioner Christian Garcia (Absent), Commissioner Lex Landefeld (Absent), Commissioner Lucas Hamblin (Absent), Commissioner Mia Doyle (Absent), Commissioner Michaela Grumbling (Absent), Commissioner Natalia Piatek (Absent), Commissioner Rory Readinger (Absent)

Passed - Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public speakers.

BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

MOTION BY Commissioner Marissa Kutt, **SECONDED BY** Vice Chair Emily Shanafelt to **APPROVE** the February 22, 2023 Youth Commission minutes.

AYE: Commissioner Lucy Castro, Commissioner Ivan Diaz, Commissioner Marissa Kutt, Commissioner Azyus Byrd, Commissioner Krislyn Lyons, Commissioner Paloma Sanchez, Chari Alan Torres Arroyo, Vice Chair Emily Shanafelt, Commissioner Emily McGee, Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Robert Garcia

Other: Commissioner Emma Yocopis (Absent), Commissioner Alanah Doyle (Absent), Commissioner Amaani Singh (Absent), Commissioner Christian Garcia (Absent), Commissioner Lex Landefeld (Absent), Commissioner Lucas Hamblin (Absent), Commissioner Mia Doyle (Absent), Commissioner Michaela Grumbling (Absent), Commissioner Natalia Piatek (Absent), Commissioner Rory Readinger (Absent)

Passed - Unanimously

2. NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES (NLC) CONGRESSIONAL CITIES CONFERENCE REPORT

Chair Alan Torres Aroyo, Commissioner Azyus Byrd, Commissioner Marissa Kutt and Commissioner Paloma Sanchez provided a report on the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, DC. The Commissioners discussed conference sessions and activities; experiential learning experiences; and recommendations and key takeaways.

3. INFOCUS YOUTH TAKEOVER FINAL REVIEW

Mr. John Raeder presented the final version of the May InFocus "Youth Commission Takeover". Commissioners took on the responsibility of researching, interviewing, and taking photos for the magazine and created articles on topics like mental health, volunteerism and water safety. Mr. Raeder thanked the Commission for their hard work on the project.

4. PROJECT IDEAS PRESENTATIONS

The Youth Commission discussed possible projects for the end of the year. Potential ideas included a STEM day; robotics training; and ice cream social. After discussion, the Commission decided to pursue these recommendations next year when more time would be available for planning.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Comments, Commendations, Report on Current Events and Presentations by Board, Commission or Committee Members, staff or members of the public. The members may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Youth Commission will be May 24, 2023, at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Alan Torres Arroyo adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

John Raeder, Assistant to the Council

Chair Alan Torres Arroyo, Chair

Date:_____

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