

Youth Commission

Goodyear Recreation Campus - Multipurpose Room
420 Estrella Pkwy
Goodyear, AZ 85338



Wednesday, August 2, 2024

12:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Ameera Singh called to order the Youth Commission meeting at 12:10 pm.

1. SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONERS

ROLL CALL

Present: Acting Chair Ameera Singh; Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger; Commissioner Mykah Atkinson; Commissioner Kendall Bailey; Commissioner Bri Blair; Commissioner Sophie Cheatham; Commissioner Kiley Colvin; Commissioner Cristian Diaz; Commissioner Bailey Elliott; Commissioner Isabella Franco; Commissioner Alexander Godbold; Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo; Commissioner Lucas Hamblin; Commissioner Adrian Hernandez; Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt; Commissioner Mariah Hewlett; Commissioner Graham Holmes; Commissioner Aida Hudson; Commissioner Mia Ishay; Commissioner Krislyn Lyons; Commissioner Leylanie Manley; Commissioner Mercedes Martinez; Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney; Commissioner Mason McEldowney; Commissioner Emily McGee; Commissioner Logan McGee; Commissioner Ethan Murillo; Commissioner Jacob Murphy; Commissioner Aleksander Piatek; Commissioner Ania Piatek; Commissioner Natalia Piatek; Commissioner Sophia Pizzillo; Commissioner Sofia Rodriguez; Commissioner Aariya Singh; Commissioner Maddelyn Smith; Commissioner Kaydence Stephenson; Commissioner Aleena Torres; Commissioner Skylar Turner

Absent: Commissioner Dazlynn Hernandez; Commissioner Kadin Keller

Staff Community Engagement Coordinator Jeremy Dyck; City Clerk, Director Darcie

Present: McCracken; Administrative Assistant, Neighborhood Services Molly Balk; Assistant to Council Lorena Chacon; Assistant to Council Janet Hidalgo; Digital Communications Deputy Director Corinne Holiday; Festival & Events Coordinator Natalie Reinen; Marketing Specialist Hannah Duncan; Arts & Culture Coordinator Layne Ruiz; HR Specialist Angela Tolliver

MOTION BY Commissioner Aariya Singh, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Ethan Murillo to **EXCUSE** commissioners Dazlynn Hernandez and Kadin Keller. The motion carries as follows:

AYE: Acting Chair Ameera Singh, Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger, Commissioner Mykah Atkinson, Commissioner Kendall Bailey, Commissioner Bri Blair, Commissioner Sophie Cheatham, Commissioner Kiley Colvin, Commissioner Cristian Diaz, Commissioner Bailey Elliott, Commissioner Isabella Franco, Commissioner Alexander Godbold, Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo, Commissioner Lucas Hamblin, Commissioner Adrian Hernandez, Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt, Commissioner Mariah Hewlett, Commissioner Graham Holmes, Commissioner Aida Hudson, Commissioner Mia Ishay, Commissioner Krislyn Lyons, Commissioner Leylanie Manley, Commissioner Mercedes Martinez, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Mason McEldowney, Commissioner Emily McGee, Commissioner Logan McGee, Commissioner Ethan Murillo, Commissioner Jacob Murphy, Commissioner Aleksander Piatek, Commissioner Ania Piatek, Commissioner Natalia Piatek, Commissioner Sophia Pizzillo, Commissioner Sofia Rodriguez, Commissioner Aariya Singh, Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, Commissioner Kaydence Stephenson, Commissioner Aleena Torres, Commissioner Skylar Turner

Passed - Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

BUSINESS

2. APPROVAL OF MAY MEETING MINUTES

MOTION BY Commissioner Natalia Piatek, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Jacob Murphy to **APPROVE** the minutes for the May 23, 2024 Youth Commission meeting. The motion carries as follows:

AYE: Acting Chair Ameera Singh, Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger, Commissioner Mykah Atkinson, Commissioner Kendall Bailey, Commissioner Bri Blair, Commissioner Sophie Cheatham, Commissioner Kiley Colvin, Commissioner Cristian Diaz, Commissioner Bailey Elliott, Commissioner Isabella Franco, Commissioner Alexander Godbold, Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo, Commissioner Lucas Hamblin, Commissioner Adrian Hernandez, Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt, Commissioner Mariah Hewlett, Commissioner Graham Holmes, Commissioner Aida Hudson, Commissioner Mia Ishay, Commissioner Krislyn Lyons, Commissioner Leylanie Manley, Commissioner Mercedes Martinez, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Mason McEldowney, Commissioner Emily McGee, Commissioner Logan McGee, Commissioner Ethan Murillo, Commissioner Jacob Murphy, Commissioner Aleksander Piatek, Commissioner Ania Piatek, Commissioner Natalia Piatek, Commissioner Sophia Pizzillo, Commissioner Sofia Rodriguez, Commissioner Aariya Singh, Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, Commissioner Kaydence Stephenson, Commissioner Aleena Torres, Commissioner Skylar Turner

Passed - Unanimously

3. TEAM BUILDING EXERCISE

4. ELECTIONS

Commissioners Cristian Diaz, Kaydence Stephenson, Sophie Cheatham, Brianna Blair, Kendall Bailey, Alexander Godbold, Ameera Singh and Mackenzie McEldowney gave presentations to the Youth Commission, asking to be selected as this year's Chair and Vice Chair. A ballot containing each of thier names was distributed to the entire commission and commissioners were instructed to cast their vote for their top 2 candidates. After all votes were cast and tallied, Ameera Singh was selected as the 2024/25 Youth Commission Chair and Brianna Blair was selected as the 2024/25 Youth Commission Vice Chair.

5. ORIENTATION

6. PRESENTATION FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

Corinne Holiday, Digital Communications Deputy Director, gave an overview of the roles and responsibilities of Digital Communications and spoke with commissioners about contributing to the InFocus magazine. Goodyear Parks and Recreation staff, Natalie Reinen, Hannah Duncan and Layne Ruiz spoke to commissioners about volunteer opportunities at upcoming city events. Goodyear Human Resources staff member, Angela Toliver spoke with commissioners about the annual Make A Difference Day and how volunteer hours will be tracked.

7. TASK GROUPS

Youth commissioners broke into three groups, focusing on marketing, entrepreneurship and civic engagement. Groups spent time discussing year-long project opportunities.

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.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings are tentatively scheduled as follows:

Thursday, August 29, 2024

Youth Commission
Goodyear City Hall, Canyon Trails

5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Ameera Singh adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jeremy Dyck, Board Secretary

Date: 8/14/2024