

Youth Commission

Goodyear Recreation Campus
420 S. Estrella Parkway
Goodyear, AZ 85338



Wednesday, April 22, 2026

5:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Lucas Hamblin; Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney; Commissioner Ethan Murillo; Commissioner Kiley Colvin; Commissioner Bailey Elliott; Commissioner Dazlynn Hernandez; Commissioner Mariah Hewlett; Commissioner Aariya Singh; Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger; Commissioner Graham Holmes; Commissioner Maddelyn Smith; Commissioner Mykah Atkinson; Commissioner Isabella Franco; Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt; Commissioner Aida Hudson; Commissioner Mercedes Martinez; Commissioner Mason McEldowney; Commissioner Kwadwo Dwomoh; Commissioner Elianna Mensah; Commissioner Tae Anderson; Commissioner Ella Brinker; Commissioner Jaylyn Colvin; Commissioner Braxton Elliott; Commissioner Malak Abdul Gawad; Commissioner Erica Ivatury; Commissioner Maddie Kowanetz; Commissioner Alexa Loeffelholz; Commissioner Ryan McEldowney; Commissioner Hayden Puetz; Commissioner Aliyah Rafael; Commissioner Elias Rangel; Commissioner Vivaan Sharma; Commissioner Harrison Zehtab

Absent: Commissioner Kaleigh Guajardo; Commissioner Bri Blair; Commissioner Aleksander Piatek; Commissioner Aleena Torres; Commissioner Leylanie Manley; Commissioner Jacob Murphy; Commissioner Kadin Keller; Commissioner Logan McGee; Commissioner Ania Piatek; Commissioner Alexander Alexandrovich; Commissioner Piper MacArthur; Commissioner Hillary Rwemera; Commissioner Rachel Barnes; Commissioner Juliette Bourne; Commissioner Riley Bynum; Commissioner Lianna Castro; Commissioner Kyndall Datcher; Commissioner Jason Drunasky; Commissioner Catalina Hernandez; Commissioner Shivansh Jasrotia; Commissioner Shekinah Kabamba; Commissioner John Von Reeden III

MOTION BY Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Graham Holmes to **EXCUSE** the following Commissioners: Lianna Castro, Aleena Torres, Jason Drunasky, Isabella Franco, Shivansh Jasotia, Rachel Barnes, Logan McGee, and Catalina Hernandez. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Commissioner Lucas Hamblin, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Ethan Murillo, Commissioner Kiley Colvin, Commissioner Bailey Elliott, Commissioner Dazlynn Hernandez, Commissioner Mariah Hewlett, Commissioner Aariya Singh, Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger, Commissioner Graham Holmes, Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, Commissioner Mykah Atkinson, Commissioner Isabella Franco, Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt, Commissioner Aida Hudson, Commissioner Mercedes Martinez, Commissioner Mason McEldowney, Commissioner Kwadwo

Dwomoh, Commissioner Elianna Mensah, Commissioner Tae Anderson, Commissioner Ella Brinker, Commissioner Jaylyn Colvin, Commissioner Braxton Elliott, Commissioner Malak Abdul Gawad, Commissioner Erica Ivatury, Commissioner Maddie Kowanetz, Commissioner Alexa Loeffelholz, Commissioner Ryan McEldowney, Commissioner Hayden Puetz, Commissioner Alliyah Rafael, Commissioner Elias Rangel, Commissioner Vivaan Sharma, Commissioner Harrison Zehtab

Passed - Unanimously

MOTION BY Commissioner Bailey Elliott, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Jaylyn Colvin to **RECORD** the unexcused absence of Commissioners. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Commissioner Lucas Hamblin, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Ethan Murillo, Commissioner Kiley Colvin, Commissioner Bailey Elliott, Commissioner Dazlynn Hernandez, Commissioner Mariah Hewlett, Commissioner Aariya Singh, Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger, Commissioner Graham Holmes, Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, Commissioner Mykah Atkinson, Commissioner Isabella Franco, Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt, Commissioner Aida Hudson, Commissioner Mercedes Martinez, Commissioner Mason McEldowney, Commissioner Kwadwo Dwomoh, Commissioner Elianna Mensah, Commissioner Tae Anderson, Commissioner Ella Brinker, Commissioner Jaylyn Colvin, Commissioner Braxton Elliott, Commissioner Malak Abdul Gawad, Commissioner Erica Ivatury, Commissioner Maddie Kowanetz, Commissioner Alexa Loeffelholz, Commissioner Ryan McEldowney, Commissioner Hayden Puetz, Commissioner Alliyah Rafael, Commissioner Elias Rangel, Commissioner Vivaan Sharma, Commissioner Harrison Zehtab

Passed - Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

BUSINESS

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the draft minutes from the Youth Commission meeting held on March 25, 2026.

MOTION BY Commissioner Erica Ivatury, **SECONDED BY** Commissioner Ethan Murillo to **APPROVE** the draft minutes from the March 25, 2026, Youth Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Commissioner Lucas Hamblin, Commissioner Mackenzie McEldowney, Commissioner Ethan Murillo, Commissioner Kiley Colvin, Commissioner Bailey Elliott, Commissioner Dazlynn Hernandez, Commissioner Mariah Hewlett, Commissioner Aariya Singh, Commissioner Wyatt Arnsburger, Commissioner Graham Holmes, Commissioner Maddelyn Smith, Commissioner Mykah Atkinson, Commissioner Isabella Franco, Commissioner Katelyn Heuseveldt, Commissioner Aida Hudson, Commissioner Mercedes Martinez, Commissioner Mason McEldowney, Commissioner Kwadwo Dwomoh, Commissioner Elianna Mensah, Commissioner Tae Anderson, Commissioner Ella Brinker, Commissioner Jaylyn Colvin, Commissioner Braxton Elliott, Commissioner Malak Abdul Gawad, Commissioner Erica Ivatury, Commissioner Maddie Kowanetz,

Commissioner Alexa Loeffelholz, Commissioner Ryan McEldowney, Commissioner Hayden Puetz, Commissioner Aliyah Rafael, Commissioner Elias Rangel, Commissioner Vivaan Sharma, Commissioner Harrison Zehtab

Passed - Unanimously

2. **PRESENTING OF HONOR CORDS TO SENIORS BY NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES
MANAGER JEREMY DYCK**

Jeremy Dyck explained the significance of the gold and black honor cord before presenting it to graduating seniors Kiley Colvin, Kwadwo Dwomoh, Bailey Elliott, Lucas Hamblin, Dazlynn Hernandez, Mariah Hewlett, Mackenzie McEldowney, Elianna Mensah, and Ethan Murillo. The cords recognize their service and represent the City of Goodyear Youth Commission at their graduations.

3. **PRESENTATION RECAP OF THE NEED FOR SPEED EVENT**

Commissioner Maddelynn Smith presented a video recap and key statistics from the Need for Speed event. She invited the group to share feedback on what worked well and what could be improved. The commissioners provided thoughtful insights and constructive suggestions to help enhance next year's event.

4. **DISCUSSION ON OPPORTUNITIES WITH GOODYEAR'S DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS
DEPARTMENT.**

Jeremy Dyck informed the commissioners about the upcoming Digital Communications message regarding the e-bike and scooter ordinance. He invited any interested commissioners to participate in filming a video and asked them to sign up if they would like to be involved.

5. **"BOARDING PASS TO A BETTER YOU" PROJECT**

The commissioners broke out into groups and worked to finalize details of their projects.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Youth commissioners were reminded that the reappointment deadline is April 30, 2026, and connected with individuals who still need to submit their applications.

Members were also reminded that anyone interested in running for the 2026–2027 Chair or Co-Chair positions must notify Jeremy Dyck and Heather Ernst to be placed on the ballot. Candidates should also be prepared to deliver a presentation at the next meeting outlining their interest in the role.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings are tentatively scheduled as follows:

Date: May 13, 2026

Youth Commission Meeting
420 S. Estrella Parkway
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5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Aariya Singh adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jeremy Dyck, Board Secretary

Date: _____

Approved at Youth Commission Meeting held on _____, 2026.