



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Youth Commission

02/09/2021

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Clara has implemented methods for the public to participate remotely:

Via Zoom:

o <https://santaclaraca.zoom.us/j/92321902667>

Meeting ID: 923 2190 2667 or

o Phone: 1(669) 900-6833

The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than ten (10) people gathering. The Chair will be present for the meeting with the staff liaison and commissioners participating remotely.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Suresh called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present 14 - Commissioner Aarav Gupta , Commissioner Ahmad Ismail, Commissioner Jasmine Kelly-Tanti, Commissioner Khadeejah Khan, Commissioner Rajvi Khanjan Shroff, Vice Chair Adrienne Krivokapic-Zhou , Commissioner Colin Lim , Commissioner Riya Mehta, Commissioner Kayla Phan, Commissioner Sarah Zuo, Commissioner Kavya Sriram , Chair Smrithi Suresh , Commissioner Natasha Yen , and Commissioner Amy Zuo

Absent 1 - Commissioner Palak Parikh

A motion was made by Commissioner Ismail, seconded by Commissioner Krivokapic-Zhou, to excuse Commissioner Parikh from the February 9, 2021 meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Commissioner Gupta, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kelly-Tanti, Commissioner Khan, Commissioner Shroff, Vice Chair Krivokapic-Zhou, Commissioner Lim, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Phan, Commissioner Zuo, Commissioner Sriram, Chair Suresh, Commissioner Yen, and Commissioner Zuo

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Parikh

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [21-157](#) Youth Commission Minutes of January 12, 2021

Recommendation: Approve the Youth Commission Minutes of January 12, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lim, seconded by Commissioner Gupta, that this item be recommended for approval. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Commissioner Gupta, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kelly-Tanti, Commissioner Khan, Commissioner Shroff, Vice Chair Krivokapic-Zhou, Commissioner Lim, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Phan, Commissioner Zuo, Commissioner Sriram, Chair Suresh, Commissioner Yen, and Commissioner Zuo

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Parikh

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Debra von Huene, Cultural Commissioner, shared information on an upcoming project called "Surviving COVID" pocket exhibition in cooperation with the Triton Museum. This exhibition aims to provide a spotlight on the losses, missed rites of passage, and concepts of freedom while recognizing what is important to us and what we hope to regain. The exhibit will showcase a variety of mediums including paintings, photography, written word, sculpture, and music. Ms. von Huene will provide more information on the exhibit and call for artists when it is available.

Shailee Nanavati, President of Bears to Share, provided information on the organization and its goal of recruiting and activating volunteers to help their communities by sewing masks for health care workers, making stuffed animals for children in hospitals, and working on projects to help people in need. Interested community members can visit the Bears to Share website for more information: <https://bearstoshare.org/>

GENERAL BUSINESS

None

STAFF REPORT

The City of Santa Clara Library will resume lobby service and holds pick-ups on Monday, February 22. Visit www.sclibrary.org for current programs and services offered through the Library.

The Parks & Recreation Department will begin offering limited in-person programs and continuing virtual offerings for the spring session on Monday, February 22. The Skate Park has also re-opened with reservations for one hour sessions and reduced capacity. Public lap swim has also resumed at the International Swim Center with the addition of teen lap swim for ages 13-19 year olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00-5:00 p.m. For recreation class and activity information visit www.santaclaraca.gov/parksandrec and click on "Activities and Programs".

Youth Commission term applications were expected to be available on February 16. Applications and more information on the process can be viewed at www.santaclaraca.gov/youthcommission and clicking on "Applications and FAQs". Interested applicants may also contact Jon Kawada, Staff Liaison, for more information.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

2. [21-158](#) Youth Commission Committee Reports on Work Plan Goals

Environmentalism Committee: Have narrowed their focus for potential virtual workshop themes to include STEM and technology in relation to the environment. A few committee members will also be attending the Students for Green High Schools virtual conference. Conference attendees will participate in virtual workshops and learn what their peers are doing to improve the environment in and around their communities.

Health & Wellness Committee: Would like to interview a local public health official to ask questions about COVID-19 that may be of interest to youth and teens. Committee members will discuss what type of questions and format at their upcoming committee meeting. Committee members also decorated hearts with positive messages that were distributed, along with a treat, at the Senior Center's nutrition program the Friday before Valentine's Day.

Public Outreach Committee: Discussed the Black History Month posts on social media. This week-long content was relatively new to the committee and they would like to continue this feature in future months. They will discuss possible content for Fast Fact Fridays and week-long content at their upcoming committee meeting. This committee will also begin to assist with sharing information on upcoming commission projects.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Chair Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Krivokapic-Zhou, that this meeting be adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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