

City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

Monday, January 22nd, 2024 5:00 p.m.

IN-PERSON MEETING
City Hall, Room 278
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
San Francisco, CA 94102

IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE VIEWING via Webex

Members: Ewan Barker Plummer (Chair, Mayoral), Gabbie Listana (Vice Chair, D6), Téa Lonné Amir (Comms & Outreach Officer, Mayoral), Kelly Wu (Comms & Outreach Officer, D3), Allister Adair (Legislative Affairs Officer, D2), Jason Fong (Legislative Affairs Officer, D7), Chloe Wong (D1), Linda Ye (D4), Helen Cisneros (D5), Galicia Stack Lozano (D8), Skylar Dang (D9), Adrianna Faagau-Noa (D10), Imaan Ansari (D11), Valentina Alioto-Pier (Mayoral), Isabella T. Perez (Mayoral), Aryelle Lampkins (Mayoral), Joselyn Marroquin (Mayoral).

Present: Ewan Barker Plummer, Gabbie Listana, Téa Lonné Amir, Kelly Wu, Allister Adair, Jason Fong, Chloe Wong, Linda Ye, Helen Cisneros, Galicia Stack Lozano, Skylar Dang, Adrianna Faagau-Noa, Imaan Ansari, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Isabella T. Perez, Aryelle Lampkins, Joselyn Marroquin.

Absent: None.

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote viewing on January 22, 2024, with Chair Barker Plummer presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Barker Plummer called the meeting to order at 5:10pm.

On the call of the roll:



Roll Call Attendance: 17 present.

Chloe Wong present Allister Adair present Kelly Wu present Linda Ye present Helen Cisneros present Gabbie Listana present Jason Fong present Galicia Stack Lozano present Skylar Dang present Adrianna Faagau-Noa present Imaan Ansari present Valentina Alioto-Pier present Isabella T. Perez present Aryelle Lampkins present Joselyn Marroquin present Téa Lonné Amir present Ewan Barker Plummer present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

2. Communications

Joy Zhan, Youth Development Specialist of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Vice Chair Listana, motioned to approve the January 22, 2024 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 17 ayes.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye



Gabbie Listana aye
Jason Fong aye
Galicia Stack Lozano aye
Skylar Dang aye
Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye
Imaan Ansari aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier aye
Isabella T. Perez aye
Aryelle Lampkins aye
Joselyn Marroquin aye
Téa Lonné Amir aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

- a. January 8, 2024 (Packet Materials)
- b. January 13, 2024 (Packet Materials)
- c. January 14, 2024 (Packet Materials)

Officer Wu, seconded by Commissioner Dang, motioned to approve the full Youth Commission meeting minutes for January 8th, 2024, January 13th, 2024, and January 14th, 2024. Specialist Ochoa said the typo with the minutes being in 2023 instead of 2024 will be corrected in the minutes, since it was amended during the most recent Executive Committee meeting. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 17 ayes.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye
Gabbie Listana aye
Jason Fong aye
Galicia Stack Lozano aye
Skylar Dang aye
Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye
Imaan Ansari aye
Valentina Alioto-Pier aye



Isabella T. Perez aye Aryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

5. Public Comment on matters not on Today's Agenda (2 minutes per comment)

No public comment.

6. Legislation Referred (discussion and action item)

- a. BOS File 240017 [Site for New Library Branch for Oceanview, Merced Heights, Ingleside, and Lakeview Neighborhoods] Ordinance requiring that the new Public Library branch serving the Oceanview, Merced Heights, Ingleside, and Lakeview neighborhoods be built on the City-owned parcel of land at 100 Orizaba Avenue, subject to environmental review, required approvals, and other applicable laws; and prohibiting the expenditure of City funds to explore, pursue, or plan construction of a new Public Library branch serving those neighborhoods at any alternate location, except as required by the environmental review process, required approvals, or other applicable laws.
 - i. Presenter: LAO's and Jeff Buckley, D11 Legislative Aide

Jeff Buckley, D11 Legislative Aide, introduced the legislation to the Youth Commission and went into the details of the proposed public library branch in OM/I & Lakeview neighborhoods.

Officer Adair gave input that both he and Officer Fong are in full support of the legislation, and that Commissioner Ansari added that this public library would significantly improve the access to D11's youth.

Commissioner Ye said she knows that the intersection next to the library is prone to high-speed traffic and asked if there's proposed changes to that intersection to make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists, to which Buckley said that the City's traffic engineers would be looking at making that intersection safer but they do not have those exact proposals at this time. Commissioner Ye also asked how the amount to build the library can change with the current budget woes, to which Buckley said that the longer the City waits to build the more expensive it will be, so they want to build it faster.



Officer Wu asked if there will be additional parking built on the library site since it's a difficult neighborhood to park a car in, to which Buckley said that it is in a parking constrained area and that there's currently no parking lot in the plan.

Commissioner Ansari, seconded by Commissioner Faagau-Noa, motioned to support BOS File 240017 with comments:

Chair Barker Plummer said that he has concerns surrounding the fiscal reality of the City's budget, and he also has concerns around the location of the library and the danger posed to pedestrians and cyclists with the proposed sites.

Commissioner Ansari asked what would happen with the current Ocean View Library Branch, to which Buckley said that it would not be changed until there's another library that can serve that same purpose.

Commissioner Ye said that given the community feedback and the years of this process that has taken place, that there shouldn't be further delays in building the needed library.

Chair Barker Plummer said that Mayor Breed had concerns about the library's feasibility and safety, and that it's not the best time to build the library.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that she agrees with what Chair Barker Plummer said regarding the concerns about the library, especially with the ease of parking access and safety concerns. She still believes that there should be a library in the neighborhood, but that this location isn't the best one available.

Vice Chair Listana said she agrees with Chair Barker Plummer and Commissioner Alioto-Pier, and that the current Ocean View Library is too small and needs to be bigger, but that parking is a huge concern since the surrounding neighborhoods are more car-reliant.

Officer Fong said that he agrees with the library, and that Brotherhood Way should not be a high-speed road in the first place. He added that this library can be a catalyst to make that street safer, and that he has faith in the engineers to make a safer intersection.



Commissioner Faagau-Noa said that she drives down Brotherhood Way often when she's commuting to San Francisco State University, and by placing a library in that location can help people slow down with additional signage. She added that transit routes can be adjusted to make sure that the library is more accessible to people who might otherwise drive.

Commissioner Ye said that as the Youth Commission, one of the things they advocate for is for people to take public transportation in the first place. Commissioner Cisneros said that she agrees with Commissioners Ye and Faagau-Noa, especially since a lot of kids would use public transit to get to the library. Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that they shouldn't be deciding and if's and uncertain possibilities in the legislation. Vice Chair Listana said that she's concerned about accessibility overall, and that makes her split on how to vote. Commissioner Faagau-Noa said that she agrees with protecting the bike lane in that area. Officer Adair mentioned that committing to the location might expedite the construction of the library, and that he remains in support.

Commissioner Wong said she does have concerns regarding the funding for the library and reliability of the nearby transit lines, although she still does remain in support of the motion.

Commissioner Dang said that adding a library in that region would be a great fit since there's nearby parks and needed public space for residents. She wants to also add her concern regarding the budget.

Officer Adair agrees with everything Commissioner Dang said, and that regardless of the legislation, it will take some time to actually construct the library and the budget outlook may change in the future.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier said it's important to remember that \$30 million in a budget deficit is a lot of money, and that there's other concerns.

Jeff Buckley clarified that these funds are designated already to use towards the San Francisco Public Library, and that these funds will then no longer be used towards the SFPL.

Public comment:

(1) Former D5 Youth Commissioner Hayden Miller: He said that he hopes that the need for resources in that neighborhood shouldn't



allow for the creation of a public library that isn't feasible. He urges commissioners to vote nay.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 3 nays.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair aye Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye aye Helen Cisneros aye Gabbie Listana aye Jason Fong aye Galicia Stack Lozano aye Skylar Dang aye Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye Imaan Ansari aye Valentina Alioto-Pier nay Isabella T. Perez aye Aryelle Lampkins ave Joselyn Marroquin ave Téa Lonné Amir nay Ewan Barker Plummer nay

Action: the motion to support BOS File 240017 passes with a positive recommendation and comments regarding the need for traffic improvements for pedestrian safety and the budget process, with Commissioners Alioto-Pier, Lonné Amir, and Barker Plummer in dissent.

Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Alioto-Pier, motioned to have no recommendation with comments regarding the Youth Commission's support for a public library, safety pedestrians, and accessibility.

Commissioner Ye said that she believes that there should be a direct plan with moving forward and that they shouldn't have no recommendation, to which Chair Barker Plummer said that he doesn't think this is a good plan and still has his concerns.



Officer Fong said to address the concerns about the library being a car-centric neighborhood has oftentimes been because of the fact that that neighborhood is under-resourced and have forced residents to use cars to get to where they need to go, and that this can help address that.

Commissioner Dang said that the SFMTA has released a letter that they would be glad to address this intersection to improve traffic safety.

Officer Wu said that SFMTA wouldn't even have to change any of the transit routes to make this site more accessible.

Public Comment:

(1) Former D5 Youth Commissioner Hayden Miller: He supports the no recommendation motion due to the fact that the public libraries currently don't operate during youth-friendly hours throughout the week. He said the City should focus on expanding already existing services instead of building a brand new library that might not be accessible to youth once it's complete.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes, 14 nays.

Chloe Wong nay Allister Adair nay Kelly Wu nay Linda Ye nay Helen Cisneros nay Gabbie Listana nay Jason Fong nay Galicia Stack Lozano nay Skylar Dang nay Adrianna Faagau-Noa nay Imaan Ansari nay Valentina Alioto-Pier aye Isabella T. Perez nay Aryelle Lampkins nay Joselyn Marroquin nay Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye



Action: the motion to have no recommendation on BOS File 240017 with comments fails, with Commissioners Wong, Adair, Wu, Ye, Cisneros, Listana, Fong, Stack Lozano, Dang, Faagau-Noa, Ansari, Perez, Lampkins, and Marroquin in dissent.

- BOS File 240030 [Hearing Evaluation of SFUSD's Safety Procedures] Hearing to evaluate the lockdown and other safety procedures of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD); and requesting the SFUSD to report.
 - i. Presenter: LAO's and CEEC

Chair Barker Plummer stated that he believes this legislation will be heard on February 1st in a Joint Hearing with the Youth Commission's Civic Engagement and Education Committee, pending the upcoming posting of next week's agenda. He added that it's worth exploring to hold the San Francisco Unified School District accountable for keeping youth safe at school, following the incidents in December.

Commissioner Ye stated that it's important to know what the lockdown procedures are since many people were unclear about the notification system when there's a gun found on a school campus. She added that they should focus on making sure schools have the infrastructure needed to protect everyone on campus. She lastly added that students should all feel that they will be safe and protected on-campus, and feel that they don't have to bring any weapons to protect themselves in the first place.

Chair Barker Plummer added that with the recent walkout and with too much misinformation around what the protocols are, that there should be clarity made to everyone regarding potential threats.

Commissioner Faagau-Noa said that students can't be expected to just "return to normal" after an incident involving a weapon, and there should be information about how students can be made to feel safe.

Commissioner Dang said that there should be more drills to make sure students know their immediate actions when situations like this happen, since a lot of people don't take them seriously.

Officer Wu said that after the gun-related incident, there was an assembly at her school for another event, and that students shouldn't be expected to just be fine



after a scary event like this. She agrees with Commissioner Dang that teachers and staff sometimes don't acknowledge the harm done in these incidents.

Commissioner Wong brought up the potential targeted profiling that can take place towards specific groups of students, that can also create a tense situation.

Chair Barker Plummer added that the drills can show inconclusive results in how effective they are in actually preparing students to keep themselves safe. He added that if there's anyone who has further input, to let him know before the February 1st hearing.

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Officer Fong, motioned to support BOS File 230030. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 17 ayes.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair aye Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye aye Helen Cisneros ave Gabbie Listana aye Jason Fong aye Galicia Stack Lozano aye Skylar Dang aye Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye Imaan Ansari aye Valentina Alioto-Pier aye Isabella T. Perez aye Aryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: the motion to support BOS File 230030 passes.

Chair Barker Plummer called for a 5-minute recess at 6:24pm. The meeting was called back to order at 6:32pm.

7. **Legislation** (discussion and action item)



- Resolution Supporting the mission of Schools & Communities First, an organization whose mission is to reform California Proposition 13 to daily tax corporations and generate over 12 billion dollars for schools and communities across California (Second Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Barker Plummer, Perez, and Marroquin

Commissioners Barker Plummer, Perez, and Marroquin read the resolution with amended language and changes into the record.

Officer Wu, seconded by Officer Loneé Amir, motioned to pass the resolution to support the mission of Schools & Communities First, including any grammatical amendments. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 17 ayes.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair aye Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye aye Helen Cisneros ave Gabbie Listana ave Jason Fong aye Galicia Stack Lozano aye Skylar Dang aye Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye Imaan Ansari aye Valentina Alioto-Pier aye Isabella T. Perez aye Aryelle Lampkins ave Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: the Resolution supporting the mission of Schools & Communities First passes, including any grammatical amendments.

- Resolution Recognition of February 2024 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month (Second Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Ye and Dang



Commissioner Ye said that there have been no amendments made.

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Commissioner Dang, motioned to pass the resolution in support of recognizing February 2024 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention month, including any grammatical amendments. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 17 ayes.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair aye Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye aye Helen Cisneros aye Gabbie Listana aye Jason Fong aye Galicia Stack Lozano aye Skylar Dang aye Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye Imaan Ansari aye Valentina Alioto-Pier ave Isabella T. Perez ave Aryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: the Resolution recognizing February 2024 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month passes, including any grammatical amendments.

8. 2024 Winter Retreat Recap (discussion and action item)

a. Presenters: YC Staff

Commissioner Ansari said she really appreciated the PR/media training, but hopes that that can be done at the beginning of the year at the Fall Retreat.

Vice Chair Listana said that she thought the trainings went well, and the BPP day was very helpful in getting the bulk of that work done.



Chair Barker Plummer said that he appreciated the structure of the entire Winter Retreat, and that everything went well to support the work of the Commission.

Officer Lonné Amir said that as a first-year Commissioner, the BPP day was very helpful in making sure they have time to work in their committee working groups.

Commissioner Ye said that the length of the Winter Retreat felt just right since it wasn't too short and wasn't too long, and that four hours felt good.

Chair Barker Plummer said that it would be great to have something to take-away in regard to the constituent and media trainings, so that they could read when they leave.

9. Committee Reports (discussion item)

- a. Executive Committee
 - i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Adair said that the Board of Supervisors didn't meet last week, so there's no new legislation. He added for everyone to remember to finish the language by February 8th for BPPs, and that time moves faster than they think. Officer Fong had no updates.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Lonné Amir said that they'll be posting the final Commissioner "about me" post, committee membership posts, and recaps on past Youth Commission events.

Officer Wu said that if there's anything they want to post on social media, to reach out to them or staff.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Listana said that if anyone needs support on BPPs, that she and Chair Barker Plummer are always there for support and will help make sure they get their work done.

b. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Perez had no updates.

c. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee



Commissioner Ansari said they worked on their BPPs at their special committee meeting last week.

d. Transformative Justice Committee

Commissioner Ye said that they were supposed to hear a DPH presentation, but they had to cancel.

10. Staff Report (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia was absent. Specialist Zhan said they should have a site for the Youth Budget Community Forum soon, once they finalize the location and date, and to inform staff when they'll be tardy or absent. Specialist Ochoa has no updates.

11. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Commissioner Ye announced that on February 4th, there will be a Teen Violence Awareness Month event and that staff will be there for support. She encouraged as many commissioners to attend as possible.

Commissioner Dang said that there will be a resource fair coming up soon on February 24th, 11am-2pm, at the Golden Gate County Fair Building.

Chair Barker Plummer reminded everyone that their BPP language is due on February 8th, and to be in communication with their committee chairs.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 6:59pm.