



## City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

### MINUTES

**Monday, February 13, 2023**

**5:00 p.m.**

#### **REMOTE MEETING via WEBEX**

**Members:** Emily Nguyen (Chair, D11), Ewan Barker Plummer (Vice Chair, Mayoral), Steven Hum (Legislative Affairs Officer, Mayoral), Raven Shaw (Legislative Affairs Officer, Mayoral), Gabrielle Listana (Communications & Outreach Officer, D6), Astrid Utting (Communications & Outreach Officer, D8), Chloe Wong (D1), Allister Adair (D2), Maureen Loftus (D4), Hayden Miller (D5), Ann Anish (D7), Yoselin Colin (D9), Vanessa Pimentel (D10), Yena Im (Mayoral), Tyron S. Hillman III (Mayoral).

**Present:** Emily Nguyen, Ewan Barker Plummer, Steven Hum, Gabrielle Listana, Astrid Utting, Chloe Wong, Allister Adair, Maureen Loftus, Hayden Miller, Ann Anish, Yoselin Colin, Vanessa Pimentel, Yena Im, Tyron S. Hillman III.

**Absent:** Raven Shaw (excused), Yena Im (excused), Tyrone S. Hillman III (unexcused).

**Tardy:** Steven Hum, Chloe Wong.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met virtually on Webex and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on February 13, 2023, with Chair Nguyen presiding.

#### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance**

Chair Nguyen called the meeting to order at 5:14pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 10 present, 5 absent.

Chloe Wong absent

Allister Adair present

Maureen Loftus present



Hayden Miller present  
Gabrielle Listana present  
Ann Anish present  
Astrid Utting present  
Yoselin Colin present  
Vanessa Pimentel present  
Ewan Barker Plummer present  
Steven Hum absent  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to excuse Commissioner Shaw and Commissioner Im. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call vote: 12 ayes, 3 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye  
Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Commissioner Shaw's and Commissioner Im's absences have been excused.

## **2. Communications**



Alondra Esquivel Garcia, Director of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

### **3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

No discussion, and no public comment.

Officer Utting, seconded by Commissioner Pimentel, motioned to approve the amended February 13, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda, changing the title of Agenda Item 6b to "Equitable Access to Open Spaces Resolution". The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 12 ayes, 3 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye  
Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: amended Agenda Approved.

### **4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**

#### **a. February 6, 2023 (Packet Materials)**

No discussion. No public comment.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve the February 6, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:



Roll Call Vote: 12 ayes, 3 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye  
Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

**6. Resolutions** (discussion and action item)

- a. **Combating Fentanyl Usage Resolution** (second reading and possible action)
  - i. Presenter: Commissioner Colin

Commissioner Colin presented the changes that were made to the resolution since the first reading. Commissioner Miller asked what the cost would be for government agencies to purchase the products listed in the resolution, to which Commissioner Colin says she doesn't know but will find out when she meets with the Department of Public Health (DPH). Miller also asked if the school staff or students individually would be responsible for having access to Narcan and if this would be aimed towards a specific level of school grades, to which Colin stated it would be for school staff or interested students and that it would be aimed towards all school sites. Nguyen said she would recommend that the language have greater clarity on which programs involve Narcan, to which Colin said it's included and there is no current program. Staff also clarified further. Miller asked for the reason for the 100 number, since school populations differ wildly. Multiple



commissioners echoed that a proportional amount, such as 10% or 15%, would be more applicable to each school's population. Miller recommended language to include a number determined by the Department of Public Health and SFUSD.

No public comment.

Officer Utting, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to approve the Combating Fentanyl Usage Resolution, including the amendment to the third resolved clause from "at least 100 boxes of Naloxone" to "should be required to have a number of boxes of Naloxone determined appropriate by the Department of Public Health", on page 12. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye  
Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana absent  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resolution Approved with amendments.

- b. **Equitable Access to Open Spaces Resolution** (second reading and possible action)
  - i. Presenter: Commissioner Miller

The authors of the resolution read aloud the final language. Commissioner Miller mentioned the slight changes that were made since the first reading of the resolution, including the language that addressed some of the concerns of other commissioners after the first reading.



No public comment.

Chair Nguyen handed the gavel to Vice Chair Barker Plummer at 5:54pm.

Chair Nguyen, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve the Equitable Access to Open Spaces Resolution. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 12 ayes, 3 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye  
Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resolution Approved.

**7. Commissioner Feng Resignation Letter** (discussion and action item)

a. Presenter: Youth Commission Staff

No discussion. No public comment.

Commissioner Adair, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to accept the resignation letter from D3 Commissioner, Qien Feng. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong aye  
Allister Adair aye



Maureen Loftus aye  
Hayden Miller aye  
Gabrielle Listana absent  
Ann Anish aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Yoselin Colin aye  
Vanessa Pimentel aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Raven Shaw absent  
Yena Im absent  
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent  
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resignation Letter accepted.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer handed the gavel to Chair Nguyen at 6:22pm.

**8. JUV Outing** (discussion item)

a. Presenter: Youth Commission

Chair Nguyen went over the background of why the Youth Commission toured Juvenile Hall, and talked about her experience seeing what it was like in-person. Commissioner Miller said it was really interested seeing the facility, said that the staff there were very receptive to their questions, that the staff seemed to care about the youth there. Miller also said that there were concerning aspects to the visit including the lack of natural light, non-functioning elevators, lack of investments into the facility, and the coldness of the cells that youth stay inside. Commissioner Adair agreed with Commissioner Miller, and said his experience did feel carceral and that it really did still feel like a jail. Officer Utting said that she was surprised at how large the facility was considering how little the population of incarcerated youth. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that the facility did seem aged. Chair Nguyen said she did recognize the changes that have been made since Chief Miller has been the director from pictures she saw, but she does want to have another conversation about how to move forward on this complex issue. Miller said he also hopes to see ongoing changes made to improve the lives of the youth who are incarcerated there, and he said the connecting resources and services when youth leave JJC are critical to supporting them as well. Officer Utting agreed with Miller that it doesn't seem necessary that they'd need to tear down the current facility to build a new one, but that there does need to be steps made to improve youths' lives. Chair Nguyen asked staff if it would be possible to talk to some of the incarcerated youth, and staff said that they're working with the Public Defender's office to see what steps it would take to make



that happen but that it's complicated. Chair Nguyen said it's important for them to look into not only how youth got incarcerated, but if the crimes committed were serious enough to have them be incarcerated in the first place. Staff discussed the necessary information that commissioners and presenters need to submit before the hearing, in order for the presenters to know what information to present on or answer in questioning.

No public comment.

**9. Committee Reports** (discussion item)

a. Executive Committee

i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Hum has no new updates. Chair Nguyen asked staff if there was any legislation referred, and Specialist Zhan said that there was nothing referred or requested by the Legislative Affairs Officers. Nguyen also said that the discussion on who will be presenting to the Board of Supervisors, that it will be happening at the YC's Executive Committee meeting this Wednesday. Commissioner Miller asked about the spreadsheet regarding the Google Form with all of the compiled data to compare responses from other commissioners. Miller said he would appreciate if LAOs can reach out to committee chairs to determine what legislation can be referred or taken action on.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Listana and Officer Utting updated commissioners on the meeting Comms had with Leslie Hu from the United Educators of San Francisco (UESF), to start having conversations with youth at schools to then present and help recruit youth to get involved with or apply to the Youth Commission. They also went to the Enrichment Fair this past weekend.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that the Executive Committee will continue to overview and recommend changes to the BPPs up to this upcoming meeting on Wednesday, but that that would be the final deadline for any of the committee's BPPs.

No public comment.

**10. Roll Call and Introductions** (Discussion Item)





*Roll call for introduction of resolutions, requests for hearings, letters of inquiry, and Commissioners' reports on their Commission related activities.*

- a. **Presenters:** Commissioner Colin, Commissioner Im, Commissioner Wong, Commissioner Pimentel, Commissioner Hillman, Commissioner Listana, Commissioner Barker Plummer.

Commissioner Colin has been working on the fentanyl resolution, will be meeting with Supervisors Ronen and Walton in regards to JJC, working on her BPPs, and hoping to work on a resolution in the future regarding the cultural relativity of suspensions and expulsions.

Commissioner Im is absent.

Commissioner Wong has been working on their BPPs, hoping to talk about navigation centers for transitional-aged youth, and reaching out to the D1 office on future projects.

Commissioner Pimentel has been working on the hearing for JJC, meeting with Supervisors Ronen and Walton about JJC, working with the Youth Community Developers to help create a District 10 Youth Council, and has been meeting with the Young Women's Freedom Center weekly. She also met with Leslie Hu from UESF to help discuss Prop G funding and how that funding can be distributed adequately to school sites.

Commissioner Hillman is absent.

Officer Listana has been focusing on BPPs, and she's thinking about writing a resolution on ESL classes since she wasn't able to incorporate that into the BPP process.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer has been researching information on how to best support LGBTQ+ youth, working on BPPs for the CEEC and LGBTQ+ Task Force, and is in communication with the Mayor's Office staff.

b. **Other Legislative Introductions**

Staff asked commissioners to let them know about what legislation they'd like to be introduced in the future.

No public comment.



### **11. Staff Report** (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia had no updates. Specialist Ochoa gave updates on the Youth Commission newsletter that went out in January, the ongoing work that'll be shared in the February newsletter, and to let him know what content they'd like to have on the newsletter. He also reported back about the recent community conveners he's attended by MAGIC and in the Richmond. He gave an update on the work that the Communications Officers are doing to start planning direct outreach and recruitment to classrooms across several SFUSD school sites. He finally updated the Commission on his visit to the SF LGBT Center, and the dire need for them to be assisted in their need to get youth and TAY youth access to permanent supportive housing. Specialist Zhan asked commissioners to let her know what parts of the YC website they'd like to see changed or updated, but that she is working on those updates and uploading the BPPs onto the website. Commissioner Miller thanked Joy on the work that she's done, but would love to see the website updated more often so he can reference the website to folks with current information. Miller also asked for supporting documents to be sent and submitted in time for commissioners to read through that language in time for the meetings.

No public comment.

### **12. Announcements** (this includes Community Events)

Chair Nguyen said that on February 23rd, the Ocean Avenue Task Force will be having a meeting next week. Specialist Ochoa announced that there will be a District 1 Town Hall with Supervisor Chan and City Attorney Chiu on February 15th, at the Richmond Recreation Center. Commissioner Miller said that there will be a Public Safety Town Hall on Thursday, February 16th on Treasure Island with Supervisor Dorsey and District Attorney Jenkins, in the Ship Shape Community Center. Chair Nguyen said that as always, there will be a community forum at Manny's to discuss the future of the Central Freeway with State Senator Scott Weiner.

### **13. Adjournment**

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 7:22pm.