

City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

Monday, June 26, 2023 5:00 p.m.

IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS

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), Reese Terrell (D3), Maureen Loftus (D4), Hayden Miller (D5), Ann Anish (D7), Yoselin Colin (D9), Vanessa Pimentel (D10), Yena Im (Mayoral), Tyrone S. Hillman III (Mayoral), Safiyyah Mirza (Mayoral).

Present: Emily Nguyen, Ewan Barker Plummer, Gabrielle Listana, Astrid Utting, Chloe Wong, Allister Adair, Maureen Loftus, Hayden Miller, Ann Anish, Vanessa Pimentel.

Absent: Steven Hum (excused), Raven Shaw (excused), Reese Terrell (excused), Yoselin Colin (excused), Yena Im (excused), Tyrone S. Hillman III (excused), Safiyyah Mirza (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote access, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on June 26, 2023, with Chair Nguyen presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Nguyen called the meeting to order at 5:09pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 9 present, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong present Allister Adair present Reese Terrell absent



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

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to excuse Commissioner Terrell, Commissioner Mirzah, and Commissioner Hillman. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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



Action: Commissioner Terrell, Mirzah, and Hillman's absence 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.

Director Garcia recommended tabling Item 6A, since Officer Shaw or Commissioner Hillman aren't present for their resolution. Commissioner Miller, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve the amended June 26, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda without Item 6A. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: Amended Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. June 5, 2023 (Packet Materials)



Commissioner Adair, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve the June 5, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair aye Reese Terrell absent Maureen Loftus absent Hayden Miller aye Gabrielle Listana aye Ann Anish aye Astrid Utting aye Yoselin Colin absent Vanessa Pimentel ave Ewan Barker Plummer aye Steven Hum absent Raven Shaw absent Yena Im absent Tyrone S. Hillman III absent Safiyyah Mirza 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. [Gun Violence Prevention] Resolution advocating for the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor of San Francisco to implement youth gun violence prevention, particularly in District 10 (First Reading and Possible Action Item)
 - i. Presenters: Commissioner Shaw and Commissioner Hillman

Item 6A tabled during approval of the agenda.

b. [Bikes on Muni Metro] **Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to repeal its policy of prohibiting**



nonfolding bicycles on Muni Metro light rail services and allow full-sized bicycles to be transported on Muni Metro trains (First Reading and Possible Action Item)

i. Presenters: Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller introduced the resolution and went into its background information. He added that there is community interest in ensuring that bike riders can take their bikes onto the Muni light rail trains to ensure citywide access to alternative forms of transit.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer has several concerns: (1) why SFMTA implemented this policy in the first place; (2) safety measures that come along with having bikes on Muni. Commissioner Miller expanded that he can't explain the exact history of this policy being implemented, but gave his input as to how SFMTA's policy is an outlier compared to other transit agencies and doesn't have a ban on non-collapsible strollers. Commissioner Miller acknowledged Vice Chair Barker Plummer's concerns.

Chair Nguyen added that she supports this resolution and wants to see more bike riders across the city be connected via Muni light rail.

c. TAY LGBTQ Supporting Housing and Shelters

Presenters: Vice Chair Barker Plummer

Vice Chair Barker Plummer said the resolution in the supporting documents is not the correct resolution, and will therefore be tabling the item.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Officer Listana, motioned to table Item 6C. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell absent
Maureen Loftus absent
Hayden Miller aye
Gabrielle Listana aye
Ann Anish aye
Astrid Utting aye
Yoselin Colin absent



Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Steven Hum absent
Raven Shaw absent
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent
Safiyyah Mirza absent
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Item 6C tabled.

d. Vote16 Resolution

Vice Chair Barker Plummer introduced the resolution and read it aloud into the record. No questions or discussion.

e. Mental Health Resolution

Commissioner Pimentel read aloud the resolution into the record. They also added that there's still some portions of the language that need to be amended. Commissioner Miller added that there's been a very high amount of staff turnover at Lowell High School's wellness center, due to multiple reasons. Miller said that those positions are underpaid and overworked, which he would like to see be added to the resolution.

Officer Utting added her previous remarks from committee that she would like to see more detailed statistics that address the resolved portions of the resolution, since some of the data doesn't accurately reflect the resolved language.

f. School Safety Resolution

Vice Chair Barker Plummer and Officer Utting read the resolution aloud into the record. Commissioner Miller asked if there was a cost associated when SFUSD and SFPD had an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding), to which Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that there may have been a cost associated before since there was SFPD programming, but that this resolution does not include any restoration of SFPD programming with SFUSD. Officer Utting added that the MOU doesn't necessarily have costs associated or figures with the document, but that it is a legally-binding communications plan.



Commissioner Miller added that he is very skeptical of any type of established relationship between SFUSD and SFPD. Officer Utting added that it was SFUSD who said they wanted to ensure that students' rights are protected, not SFPD. Miller said he supports the safety infrastructure aspects to the resolution, but is very skeptical of the language about supporting a new MOU between SFPD and SFUSD, and says that it's necessary to look at the intersectionality of schools to determine if this is needed.

Chair Nguyen said she was confused about the explanation of the relationship between SFPD and SFUSD, and that they should include actual data and information that supports the need for a new MOU to be implemented. Officer Utting said there isn't a coalition supporting this move at this time, so they're restarting the conversation to hopefully spur further conversations in the future and to then include data in the resolution.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer and Officer Utting added that SFUSD has been unable to show their timeline to implement all of the safety infrastructure policy implementations, and stated that the increasing violence in schools is now affecting the surrounding communities as well. Chair Nguyen responded with her ongoing concern about the vagueness of the language, and that it can be more clear on exactly what relationship between SFUSD and SFPD should exist with more specifics.

Commissioner Adair said in regard to language stating that SFPD would be present on SFUSD campuses during "community building events and emergency situations", for them to specify what events and emergencies would be included.

Commissioner Pimentel said that it would be important to get more buy-in and youth community feedback to add to the resolution. Commissioner Miller also added that it would be very helpful to see proposed language of a potential MOU before the Youth Commission is asking for one, since that could have unintended consequences.

7. Letters/Motions (discussion and action item)

a. Support for Public Restrooms in the TL

i. Presenter: Commissioner Miller and Vice Chair Barker Plummer

Commissioner Miller introduced the letter and motion regarding a fellow who presented a letter of support for public restrooms in the Tenderloin. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked if the letter being presented is going to be signed-on by



other organizations, to which Commissioner Miller said they're not sure, but that he wants to give a platform to the youth who cares about his district.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motioned to support the Letter of Support for Public Restrooms in the Tenderloin. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: Letter of Support for Public Restrooms in the Tenderloin approved and signed onto.

b. Support for the Geary Boulevard Improvement Project

i. Presenter: Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller introduced the letter of support and spoke about the need to improve public transportation by supporting the implementation of bus only lanes in the Richmond District. Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to support the Geary Boulevard Improvement Project. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.



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

Action: Letter of Support for the Geary Boulevard Improvement Project approved.

c. ACA 5 - Marriage Equality

i. Presenter: Vice Chair Barker Plummer

Vice Chair Barker Plummer introduced the letter of support. Commissioner Anish, seconded by Commissioner Adair, motioned to approve the letter of support for ACA 5. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell absent
Maureen Loftus absent
Hayden Miller aye
Gabrielle Listana aye
Ann Anish aye
Astrid Utting aye
Yoselin Colin absent
Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye



Steven Hum absent
Raven Shaw absent
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent
Safiyyah Mirza absent
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Letter of Support for ACA 5 approved.

Chair Nguyen passed the gavel to Vice Chair Barker Plummer at 6:29pm. Vice Chair Barker Plummer handed the gavel to Chair Nguyen at 6:33pm.

- **8. Legislation Referred** (discussion and action item)
 - a. File No. 230519: Hearing Homeless and Supporting Housing's Strategic Plan (Discussion and Possible Action Item)
 - i. Presenter: YC Staff/HRT

Commissioner Anish recalled some of the questions that were discussed at the HRT Committee meeting, and Commissioner Miller added other specifics on how to best respond to the hearing. These questions were regarding geographical access to shelter, quality of shelter, detailed specifics about their 5-year plan, etc. Specialist Zhan recommended adding these questions to the memo to ensure they're asked at the hearing.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anish, motioned to support the hearing with comments and questions added. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong aye
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell absent
Maureen Loftus absent
Hayden Miller aye
Gabrielle Listana aye
Ann Anish aye
Astrid Utting aye
Yoselin Colin absent
Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye



Steven Hum absent
Raven Shaw absent
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III absent
Safiyyah Mirza absent
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: File No. 230519: Hearing - Homeless and Supporting Housing's Strategic Plan supported, with questions and comments attached.

9. Committee Reports (discussion item)

- a. Executive Committee
 - i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Specialist Zhan updated the Commissioners on one piece of referred legislation, since Officers Hum and Shaw are not present. Zhan thanked the Commissioners for doing public comment during today's Budget and Appropriations Committee meeting.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked if there was any update on the legislation he requested to be referred to regarding the Outside Lands festivals, which staff will connect with after the meeting.

Specialist Zhan said that Supervisor Melgar will be introducing their sexual assault task force language soon, and that the BOS is asking for the Youth Commission to bring out youth in support to do public comment.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Utting said they sent an email to ask for any advice to be given to future commissioners. Officer Listana said they've been on social media and working on transition sheets for the next COOs.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Barker Plummer gave brief updates on the previous Executive Committee meeting, and that there will be a bylaws conversation at the next Exec meeting to see what changes should be made.

b. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee



Commissioner Anish gave brief updates of discussions and actions taken at the last HRT meeting.

c. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Utting gave brief updates on the resolutions they've been working on the past few meetings.

d. Transformative Justice Committee

Director Garcia said that the last Transformative Justice Committee meeting is going to be scheduled for July 10th, and that there's a few pieces of action still left to send to the full Commission. She'll also be working on preparing for next year's TJ committee.

e. LGBTQ+ Task Force

Officer Listana gave brief updates on the resolutions they've been working on, and hope to still introduce at a future Youth Commission meeting.

10. Roll Call and Introductions

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

 a. Presenters:: Commissioner Anish, Commissioner Utting, Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Hum, Commissioner Adair, Commissioner Shaw, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Loftus

Commissioner Anish said that she started working on a letter of support for Proposition L for transit safety.

Commissioner Utting said that she has been working on the school safety resolution, along with Comms work.

Commissioner Miller said that he has been working on several letters of support and resolutions, but also has a few more actions he wants to introduce. He hopes to also do more advocacy before the end of the term.

Commissioner Hum is absent.

Commissioner Adair is interested in running for the remaining portion of the term for the LAO position, and that he's interested in working on bylaw amendments.



Commissioner Shaw is absent.

Commissioner Nguyen said she did public comment today for the budget, and she met with the Mayor to push YC priorities. She said she hopes to stay in the loop in regard to bylaw amendments, and that she's working with the Executive Committee and staff to plan the end of the year celebration.

Commissioner Loftus is absent.

b. Other Legislative Introductions

No new legislation introduced. No discussion. No public comment.

11. Staff Report (discussion item)

Specialist Zhan has no updates. Specialist Ochoa said that staff just completed all of the interviews for the 2023/2024 Youth Commission application process.

Director Esquivel Garcia said this is our third-to-last meeting, she sent out a doodle poll for the remaining scheduled full Youth Commission meetings, and to let her know if the YC is still interested in a TAY housing tour. She added that she is sending an email for Commissioners to fill out staff performance responses.

No public comment.

12. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that there'll be a public announcement for the Housing For All legislation. Chair Nguyen asked if anyone is able to commit to the Sunday Streets in the Mission on July 30th, to which Commissioners Utting, Listana, and Miller confirmed.

No public comment.

13. Adjournment

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