

# City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

## MINUTES

Monday, October 16, 2023 5:00 p.m.

IN-PERSON MEETING City Hall, Room 416 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102

#### **IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS 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, Isabella T. Perez, Arryelle Lampkins, Joselyn Marroquin.

Absent: Valentina Alioto-Pier (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote access, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on October 16, 2023, with Chair Barker Plummer presiding.

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

Chair Barker Plummer called the meeting to order at 5:15pm.

On the call of the roll:



Roll Call Attendance: 16 present, 1 absent.

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 absent Isabella T. Perez present Arryelle Lampkins present Joselyn Marroquin present Téa Lonné Amir present Ewan Barker Plummer present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Officer Adair, seconded by Commissioner Stack Lozano, motioned to excuse Commissioner Alioto-Pier. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

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 absent Isabella T. Perez aye



Arryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Commissioner Alioto-Pier'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)

Vice Chair Listana, seconded by Commissioner Dang, motioned to approve the October 16, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda, with Item 6C and Item 8A being tabled indefinitely due to no presenters for those items. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong ave 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 absent Isabella T. Perez aye Arryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Agenda Approved.



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

a. October 2, 2023 (Packet Materials)

Commissioner Perez, seconded by Officer Wu, motioned to approve the October 2, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong ave Allister Adair aye Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye aye Helen Cisneros aye Gabbie Listana aye Jason Fong ave Galicia Stack Lozano aye Skylar Dang aye Adrianna Faagau-Noa aye Imaan Ansari aye Valentina Alioto-Pier absent Isabella T. Perez ave Arryelle 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. **Presentations** (discussion and action item)
  - a. Human Trafficking Month/Teen Dating AV Month Joint Event
    - i. Presenter: Taylor Stommel, Youth Domestic Violence Prevention Coordinator at Black Women Revolt Domestic Violence

Taylor Stommel spoke and presented information regarding human trafficking, teen relationships and dating, domestic violence, creating a safety plan, their youth advisory council, and their upcoming events.



Commissioner Ye, seconded by Officer Lonné Amir, motioned to co-host a future event in February 2024 and moved for the Youth Commission to recognize February 2024 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong aye Allister Adair ave Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye ave 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 absent Isabella T. Perez ave Arryelle Lampkins ave Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: the Youth Commission voted to co-host a future event in February 2024 for teen dating and violence awareness with the Black Women Revolt Domestic Violence organization, as well as recognized February 2024 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (TDVAM).

- b. Board and Commissions Event with iGNiTE National
  - i. Presenter: Alondra Esquivel Garcia, Director at SF Youth Commission

Director Garcia spoke about the iGNiTE National event on November 2nd, 2023, 5:30pm-6:30pm, which focuses on empowering women and non-binary people to run for office and get civically involved. Female and non-binary identifying Youth Commissioners are encouraged to attend and speak on their experiences on the Youth Commission.



Commissioner Ye asked what the Youth Commission would have to commit to, to ensure that they can support the event adequately, to which Director Garcia said they would just have to vote in support and post about it on social media.

Commissioner Perez, seconded by Commissioner Dang, motioned to co-host and support the Board and Commissions Event with iGNiTE National. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

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 absent Isabella T. Perez aye Arryelle Lampkins ave Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Board and Commissions Event with iGNiTE National approved to co-host.

#### c. Self Defence Event with SHARP

i. Presenter: Joy Zhan, Youth Development Specialists at SF Youth Commission

Item 6C was tabled indefinitely during the approval of the agenda, due to the lack of response to staff's emails about presenting.

- 7. Legislations (discussion and action item)
  - a. 2324-AL-01 Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to implement speed-reducing infrastructure at intersections which serve



as transition points between freeways and neighborhood streets, create a publicly available plan to implement safety infrastructure improvement at high-injury intersections which have not yet seen investment by the end of 2024 and urging the City and County to review its Vision Zero strategy [Intersection Safety Improvements] (Second Reading)

i. Presenter: Chair Barker Plummer Legislative Affairs Officer Adair, and Vice Chair Listana

Commissioner Adair said he made very minor wording and grammatical changes to the language. Chair Barker Plummer thanked the advocates and the Youth Commissioners who took part in helping make this resolution happen, especially regarding the topic of traffic safety.

Officer Wu, seconded by Commissioner Wong, motioned to pass Youth Commission Resolution 2324-AL-01. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

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

Action: YC Resolution 2324-AL-01 approved.

8. Legislation Referred (discussion and action item)



a. BOS File 230446 - [Planning Code, Zoning Map - Housing Production] Ordinance amending the Planning Code to encourage housing production.

Item 8A was tabled indefinitely due to continued changes to the legislation at the Board of Supervisors meeting last week.

b. BOS File 230988 - [Planning Code - Cannabis Retail Uses] Ordinance amending the Planning Code to require a minimum distance of 600 feet between a Cannabis Retail Use and daycare centers.

Officer Wu said that it's very important that they continue to support youth being physically distant from the sale and use of drugs. Chair Barker Plummer said he supports this as well and appreciates Supervisor Stefani's work on the issue, which would basically just include preschools in the protection of cannabis dispensaries being required to be a certain distance from any K-12 school site.

Officer Wu, seconded by Officer Lonné Amir, motioned to support BOS File 230988. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong ave 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 absent Isabella T. Perez aye Arryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: BOS File 230988 passes with support.



Chair Barker Plummer called for a recess at 5:55pm until 6:10pm, since the speaker for the next item was not yet present. Chair Barker Plummer called the meeting back to order at 6:11pm.

- c. BOS File 231019 [Declaration of Policy Eighth Grade Algebra and SFUSD Math Curriculum Development] Motion ordering submitted to the voters at an election to be held March 5, 2024, a Declaration of Policy urging the San Francisco Unified School District to offer Algebra 1 to students by the eighth grade, and supporting the SFUSD in its efforts to develop its math curriculum for student at all grade levels.
- d. BOS File 231017 [Hearing Declaration of Policy Eighth Grade Algebra and SFUSD Math Curriculum Development] Hearing to consider the proposed Declaration of Policy submitted by four or more Supervisors to the voters for the March 5, 2024, Election, entitled "Declaration of Policy urging the San Francisco Unified School District to offer Algebra 1 to students by the eighth grade, and supporting the SFUSD in its efforts to develop its math curriculum for student at all grade levels.

Chief of Staff Tita Bell from Supervisor Engardio's office explained the legislation that was referred to the Youth Commission. Bell spoke on BOS File 231019 and BOS File 231017, and mentioned that there have been other ballot measures that have guided SFUSD in their policies in the past.

Commissioner Ye thanked Bell for their presentation and said that all students should have access to an equitable education. Ye asked how they plan on supporting students who aren't ready to take Algebra 1, to which Bell said that there still is the option for students to take math when they are ready, but not require them to take Algebra 1 if they're not ready.

Commissioner Dang asked if they plan on implementing Algebra 1 in all middle since there are currently classes that don't have enough teachers to teach those courses at every middle school, to which Bell said that she cannot answer those logistical questions since the school district dictates the hiring of teachers and implementation of policy change.

Officer Adair asked what mechanisms the City has if the Board of Supervisors approves this to actually implement it into SFUSD's policies, to which Bell said that this type of legislative policy is very rare. She added that this policy would be non-binding and is a declaration of policy, and can't necessarily commit to any type of enforcement for this policy.



Commissioner Stack Lozano asked how it would work to increase students' involvement in STEM courses, to which Bell said that Supervisor Melgar insisted on including language about SFUSD STEM students having more access to higher classes.

Commissioner Faagau-Noa asked if private middle schools in San Francisco currently offer Algebra 1, to which Bell said that yes they currently do.

Director Garcia asked where the state curriculum stands or could encourage SFUSD to do, to which Bell said that she is working with the SFUSD Superintendent to implement a standard state curriculum.

Officer Fong asked what changes the BOS would need to make if SFUSD agrees to implement Algebra 1 in middle school, like if the district needs more funding, to which Bell says that they can't say at this time since it's not currently passed, but they will be willing to bring that conversation up if the voters decide to approve the measure in November 2024. Fong asked if the legislation does not work as intended if they have a back-up policy, to which Bell said that Supervisor Egnardio believes that this is the best policy to move forward at this time.

Commissioner Perez asked why this policy was implemented and revoked in the past, to which Bell said that the SFUSD Board of Education decided in 2014 to only limit Algebra 1 to high school students in hopes that it would increase student outcomes in math, which has not been the case.

Vice Chair Listana asked what support there would be for students if Algebra 1 is again implemented, to which Bell repeated that she cannot speak on behalf of what the SFUSD Board of Education or Superintendent decides to implement.

Commissioner Marroquin asked who the District 4 Office would be working with to implement the committee to oversee the process of implementation for these courses, to which Bell said that the SFUSD Superintendent is currently working on it.

Officer Lonné Amir asked what the scale would be if SFUSD implements Algebra 1, to which Bell said that all of these questions are great questions for SFUSD.

Commissioner Dang asked what the timeline is for this resolution, especially considering that SFUSD teachers have moved closer to a potential strike, to which Bell said that this issue is separate from the teacher's union moving



towards a strike but that both of these issues are very important. The D4 Office is going to be on November 13th, and that any further actions would take place in the following weeks.

Director Garcia asked how the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are being implemented into the strategy and reasoning of this measure, to which Bell said that they're seeing a lot of research and data, and the information is compelling enough to move forward with the measure.

Chair Barker Plummer said that he believes leadership is about admitting when a decision was wrong, and that there is a lack of that in politics. He believes and supports this policy, and thanked the Supervisors who have moved to put this legislation on the ballot.

Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Ye, motioned to support BOS File 231019 and BOS File 231017, along with the questions attached. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong ave Allister Adair ave Kelly Wu aye Linda Ye ave 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 absent Isabella T. Perez ave Arryelle Lampkins aye Joselyn Marroquin aye Téa Lonné Amir aye Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: BOS File 231019 and BOS File 231017 passes in support.

9. Committee Reports (discussion item)



- a. Executive Committee
  - i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Adair said that there was no Board of Supervisors meeting last week, but that Commissioners be prepared for any questions for that being on the upcoming full Youth Commission meeting agenda.

Officer Fong said that there was an additional piece of legislation regarding women's working conditions in SFPD, which will be discussed on November 6th.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Lonné Amir said that there was a form that was sent out regarding all of their information, which was due a few days ago. She added that their information will not be posted with the rest of the Youth Commission if they don't submit in time. She added that they'll be continuing to film for videos they're putting together for recruitment and outreach. She added that if there's anything that any Commissioner wants to post on social media, to send all that information to the Comms Officers.

Officer Wu said that they'll be starting Monday Fundays before the first full Youth Commission meetings of each month, and that they'll be taking a picture in the shape of a lightbulb at the end of the meeting.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Listana said that the Executive Committee will be looking into the Youth Commission's Bylaws next meeting, and that everyone should be finishing the survey to see if there's interest in creating an LGBTQ+ Task Force again for this term.

No public comment.

#### 10. Staff Report (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia confirmed that the Youth Commission will be participating in the Great Hauntway at the end of the month, went over a procedure recap for what staff does once the Commission approves a resolution or supports legislation referred, and which Commissioners will be present for the November 2023 FYC meetings. Director Garcia also added that these upcoming months are going to be hectic and busy with



BPPs and committee meetings starting and to let staff know if they feel overwhelmed, and mentioned that she submitted data to the Department of the Status of Women on their behalf. She lastly asked Commissioners to fill out a survey on if their schools are teaching them about climate change.

Chair Barker Plummer added that he believes there should be a full Youth Commission meeting for November 20th, since there's going to be a lot of work that will be happening at that time. It was confirmed that only two Commissioners who said they likely would not be there, but are strongly encouraged to let staff know if they'll be there.

Specialist Zhan asked which Commissioners will not be present at the next meeting to make sure they can take a full Youth Commission picture. She will also be inviting Frances Hsieh from the BOS District 1 Office to discuss the City's budget process and timeline, to fully understand what it will look like over the next few months. She is working on putting together a D9 and D11 Student Success Fund events. Lastly, she is working with the Board of Supervisors to put together a Trick-or-Treating event and would love all of the Commissioners to show up to help participate.

Specialist Ochoa spoke about finalizing Monday Fundays for Commissioners to be able to be in community with one another, eat good food, and hold community office hours.

#### 11. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Officer Lonné Amir said that if any Commissioner is interested in helping out in setting up an event related to technology and young people, to reach out if any Commissioner is interested.

#### 12. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 7:03pm.