



City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

**Monday, January 8, 2024
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, Téa Lonné Amir, Kelly Wu, Allister Adair, Jason Fong, Linda Ye, Helen Cisneros, Galicia Stack Lozano, Skylar Dang, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Isabella T. Perez, Aryelle Lampkins, Joselyn Marroquin.

Absent: Chloe Wong (excused), Gabbie Listana (excused), Imaan Ansari (excused), Adrianna Faagau-Noa (excused).

Tardy:

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote access on January 8, 2024, with Chair Barker Plummer presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

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

On the call of the roll:



Roll Call Attendance: 13 present, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair present
Kelly Wu present
Linda Ye present
Helen Cisneros present
Gabbie Listana absent
Jason Fong present
Galia Stack Lozano present
Skylar Dang present
Adrianna Faagau-Noa absent
Imaan Ansari absent
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.

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Officer Wu, motioned to excuse Commissioners Wong, Listana, Faagau-Noa, and Ansari. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

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



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

Action: Absences excused for Commissioners Wong, Listana, Faagau-Noa, and Ansari.

2. Communications

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

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Commissioner Alioto-Pier, motioned to approve the January 8, 2024 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye
Gabbie Listana absent
Jason Fong aye
Galia Stack Lozano aye
Skylar Dang aye
Adrianna Faagau-Noa absent
Imaan Ansari absent
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. December 4, 2023 (Packet Materials)

Commissioner Alioto-Pier, seconded by Commissioner Ye, motioned to approve the December 4, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye
Gabbie Listana absent
Jason Fong aye
Galia Stack Lozano aye
Skylar Dang aye
Adrianna Faagau-Noa absent
Imaan Ansari absent
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)

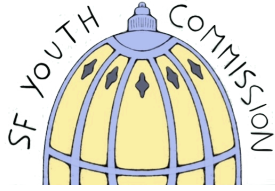
No public comment.

6. Presentations

a. Vote 16 Efforts

i. Presenters: Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioners Alioto-Pier, Marroquin, and Perez, all members of the CEEC, presented to the full Youth Commission regarding the previous efforts around Vote16, and the next



steps to pass in 2024. Commissioners discussed the importance of passing Vote16 as a ballot measure in November 2024, and plans they have proposed to lead this effort.

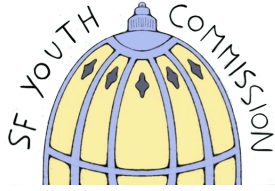
Chair Barker Plummer asked if Speaker Emerita Pelosi supported the Vote16 effort in 2020 or 2016, to which Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that she thinks Pelosi supported it in 2018 officially in Congress and endorsed it in 2020. Officer Adair asked what their favorite ways to support Vote16 from 2020, to which Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that they weren't able to partake in many of the usual events due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but that they are going to be planning a lot of fun things and talked to elected officials this time around in 2024. Commissioner Perez added some other counters to arguments opposing Vote16. Commissioner Ye asked what is being done to inform the general public regarding Vote16, to which Commissioner Alioto-Pier said everything is still in the planning process. Chair Barker Plummer added that they're pretty confident that it will make the ballot for the November 2024 ballot and they're planning a kick-off rally in the coming weeks. Officer Wu said that a lot of people say that youth may not have made up their mind, to which Commissioner Perez said that youth are already very informed on the social responsibilities they hold. Officer Wu followed up on people who may not be interested in voting, to which Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that there are some people who aren't likely to vote in the first place. Commissioner Perez clarified that Vote16 will mostly benefit 16 and 17-year-old youth who are civically engaged, and Chair Barker Plummer added that Vote16 may expand the number of youth who are engaged overall. Commissioner Marroquin added that she would be much more inclined to vote if she was able to see her friends and classmates vote, which is why they support Vote16. Commissioner Stack Lozano said that she hopes that CEEC and the Youth Commission as a whole should invest in voting education and civic engagement if Vote16 does get on the ballot and hopefully passes in November.

Chair Barker Plummer asked what CEEC hopes to get from presenting to the full YC, to which Commissioner Alioto-Pier said that they hope every commissioner understands what the Vote16 campaign seeks to do, and that they can support it when it comes up for a vote at the Commission.

Commissioner Dang left the room at 5:27 pm, and returned at 5:34pm.

7. Legislation Referred (discussion & possible action)

- a. BOS File 231224 - [Housing Code - Tenant Enforcement of Habitability Requirements] Ordinance amending the Housing Code to authorize occupants of residential dwelling units to sue to enforce the prohibition on substandard housing conditions.
 - i. Presenter: LAO's



Officer Fong said that this legislation seeks to protect tenants who are living in substandard conditions that fail to meet safety and housing codes. Fong highlighted that many of those who are directly affected by these substandard living conditions are often low-income families, youth, women, and other marginalized communities in San Francisco.

Commissioner Ye said they worked with the Human Rights Commission and have seen many calls that come in from tenants about the poor living conditions experienced by folks, as well as negative landlord interactions that put youth in danger. Ye asked how tenants are able to use this, to which Fong said that this is a step in the right direction that will help get tenants the protections they need.

Commissioner Dang asked for specification about the private property aspect, to which Fong said that's any private property that is rented and not city-owned.

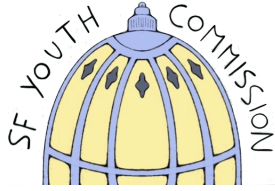
Officer Wu asked what type of resources would be made available for tenants to fight for better living conditions, to which Fong said that they would likely work with various tenant rights community organizations that would help protect them in court.

Officer Lonné Amir asked what they would classify as an administrative penalty, to which Fong and Chair Barker Plummer said that that could be in the form of a fine or decertifying their ADUs instead of jailing the owner.

Commissioner Ye asked if the owner doesn't have the financial ability to repair their property if they have any resources to help them keep their properties safe and updated, to which Fong said that there does need to be more support for landlords to get them in compliance as well, but added that this legislation focuses more on tenant support.

Chair Barker Plummer asked what the reason for not having these tenant protections in the first place, to which Fong said that it was potentially due to the City wanting greater control over the process.

Barker Plummer also asked what effect this would have on housing production in San Francisco, to which Fong said that it would have little to no effect on housing production.



Officer Fong, seconded by Officer Wu, motioned to support BOS File 231224 - [Housing Code - Tenant Enforcement of Habitability Requirements]. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

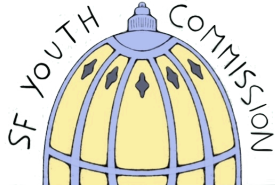
Roll Call Vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

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

Action: BOS File 231224 - [Housing Code - Tenant Enforcement of Habitability Requirements] passes.

- b. BOS File 231226 - [Administrative Code - Homeward Bound Program for Individuals Experiencing or Formerly Experienced Homelessness] Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to establish a permanent Homeward Bound Program administered by the Human Services Agency and the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing for individuals experiencing homelessness or who have formerly experienced homelessness, such as individuals residing in permanent supportive housing, to receive paid travel and relocation support to a destination where the individual has someone to receive them.
 - i. Presenter: LAO's

Officer Adair said that the Homeward Bound Program has helped provide support to countless individuals, and that this legislation is to help revive the program to



get unhoused folks to where they need to go for further support. Adair mentioned the restrictions that come with this assistance, and that it's fully voluntary.

Commissioner Dang asked why the participation has been decreasing, to which Officer Adair said that the pandemic forced the City to shut down the program for safety purposes, but that this has only been used off and on throughout the past few years with a lack of marketing to the public.

Commissioner Ye asked if it was eligible for people outside of the US as well, to which Adair said yes. Ye asked how this legislation has helped people in the past, but Adair said that that data isn't available from other cities that people have relocated to using this program. Ye asked that considering the budget deficit that the City has, Adair said that helping people relocate to supportive folks is more cost-effective than people seeking and receiving services in San Francisco.

Officer Wu asked how this differs from the potential perspective of the City pushing people out of San Francisco, to which Adair repeated that this program is fully voluntary and available only to certain categories of folks.

Commissioner Cisneros asked how the program helps people who've been affected by drug abuse, to which Adair said it's a bit different from other programs, but that the program is meant to help support people who need to get from San Francisco to somewhere else to obtain resources and services.

Chair Barker Plummer said that he supports the legislation, and also is curious about why the program has seen less unhoused residents use it.

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Officer Wu, motioned to support BOS File 231226 - [Administrative Code - Homeward Bound Program for Individuals Experiencing or Formerly Experienced Homelessness], including comments regarding reporting data with youth and program outcomes by Commissioners Ye and Officer Adair. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye



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

Action: BOS File 231226 - [Administrative Code - Homeward Bound Program for Individuals Experiencing or Formerly Experienced Homelessness] passes.

8. Legislation (discussion & possible action)

- a. Resolution - Urging SFMTA to install curbside protected bike lanes or pedestrianize Valencia St., between 15th and Cesar Chavez St. to reduce traffic fatalities and increase public safety (Second Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Ansari, Fong, and Wong

Officer Fong said there's been no changes to the proposed legislation.

Commissioner Dang asked if the protected bike lanes could have any safety concerns for people crossing from their cars to the sidewalk, to which Fong said that this pushes for a safer street design that reduces injuries and fatalities of both pedestrians and cyclists.

Commissioner Ye asked if there's been any other ideas proposed on this issue, to which Fong said that this isn't a new idea since there's already curbside protected bike lanes on Valencia Street.

Commissioner Cisneros asked what changes are being proposed since a lot of people are complaining about the current design, to which Fong said they're advocating for moving the current pilot design with bike lanes to be curbside. Chair Barker Plummer said that the current design is a pilot



to see whether or not a center bike lane works, but he also has some concerns since the pilot program hasn't concluded yet.

Officer Adair, seconded by Commissioner Ye, motioned to support the resolution urging SFMTA to install curbside protected bike lanes or pedestrianize Valencia St., between 15th and Cesar Chavez St. to reduce traffic fatalities and increase public safety. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

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

Action: Resolution passes.

- b. Resolution - Urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to urge the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) Board of Directors to take immediate action on a No Turn On Red (NTOR) citywide policy in light of recent traffic incidents and ongoing safety concerns (Second Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Fong and Wong

Officer Fong said there's been no changes to the proposed legislation.

Commissioner Dang asked if they expect the City to implement No Turn on Red signs everywhere or what would be the process, to which Fong



said that it would be a gradual process to implement it across the City and put up signs in intersections.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier asked what the timeline would look like to implement this proposed legislation, to which Fong doesn't know exactly.

Officer Wu asked what the penalty for turning on red if this policy is passed, to which Fong said he isn't exactly sure since it would be up for SFMTA to decide.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier asked how urgent is this as a priority since there is apparently one death every 2 years based on red-light collisions, to which Fong said that 20% of all bike-related collisions are caused by drivers turning on red.

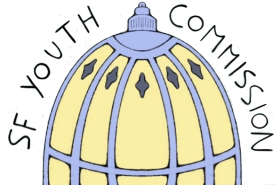
Commissioner Dang asked if they're going to be implementing cameras to enforce this new policy, to which Chair Barker Plummer said that they're focusing on implementing automatic speed enforcement cameras but that's unrelated.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier asked about streets that might be much less congested with pedestrians or cyclists and if there could be amendments to exclude some portions of the City, to which Fong said that the intent is for the policy to be citywide.

Officer Wu, seconded by Officer Lonné Amir, motioned to support resolution - Urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to urge the SFMTA Board of Directors to take immediate action on a No Turn On Red (NTOR) citywide policy in light of recent traffic incidents and ongoing safety concerns. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 ayes, 2 nays, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye
Gabbie Listana absent
Jason Fong aye
Galia Stack Lozano aye



Skylar Dang aye
Adrianna Faagau-Noa absent
Imaan Ansari absent
Valentina Alioto-Pier nay
Isabella T. Perez nay
Aryelle Lampkins aye
Joselyn Marroquin aye
Téa Lonné Amir aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: Resolution passes, with Commissioner Alioto-Pier and Perez in dissent.

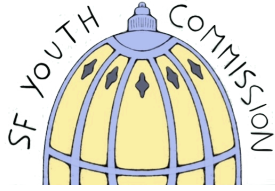
- c. Resolution - Urging the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to prioritize and allocate permanent funding for the Free Muni For All Youth (FMFAY) program, recognizing its vital role in fostering equitable access to transportation and supporting the educational and social development of San Francisco's youth (Second Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Wong, Ansari, and Fong

Officer Fong said there's been no changes to the proposed legislation. Chair Barker Plummer, Commissioner Dang, and Commissioner Ye said they all very much support this program.

Commissioner Ye, seconded by Commissioner Dang, motioned to support the resolution urging the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and the SFMTA to prioritize and allocate permanent funding for the Free Muni For All Youth (FMFAY) program, recognizing its vital role in fostering equitable access to transportation and supporting the educational and social development of San Francisco's youth. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Roll Call Vote: 13 ayes, 4 absent.

Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Kelly Wu aye
Linda Ye aye
Helen Cisneros aye
Gabbie Listana absent
Jason Fong aye



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

Action: Resolution passes.

Chair Barker Plummer called for a 10-minute recess. The meeting was called back to order at 6:43pm.

- d. 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 (First Reading)
 - i. Authors: Commissioner(s) Barker Plummer, Perez, and Marroquin

Commissioner Perez introduced the resolution and read it into the record with Chair Barker Plummer and Commissioner Marroquin. No further discussion.

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

Commissioner Ye and Dang introduced the resolution and read it into the record. Chair Barker Plummer pointed out a grammatical error. No further discussion.

9. 2024 Winter Retreat Overview

- a. Presenters: YC Staff

Specialist Zhan explained the Mid-Year Retreat taking place on this upcoming Saturday and Sunday (January 13th-14th, 2024) from 10am to 2pm, at the Southeast Community Center. Commissioners will be going over Budget and Policy Priorities, advocacy training, media training, refining the needs of San Francisco youth, etc. Specialist Zhan reminded that the retreat is considered a full Youth Commission meeting, and that attendance will be taken and counted.



10. Committee Reports (discussion item)

a. Executive Committee

i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Adair said they went over the legislation referred at last month's meeting, and that for the BPP process, they encourage everyone to start thinking about what policies they want to push forward at the upcoming retreat.

Officer Fong asked everyone if they feel comfortable going into their appointed officers' offices, and hopes to help support each commissioner in their effort to reach out to different districts.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Lonné Amir said that the introduction posts have started to be posted to Instagram and are being posted every three days or so. Officer Wu added that the Youth Leadership Mixer was very fun.

iii. General Committee Updates

Chair Barker Plummer gave brief updates about the previous Executive Committee meeting.

1. Youth Commission Attendance

Director Esquivel Garcia said she will table discussion around attendance at the next meeting.

b. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Perez said they went over talking points for the Vote16 effort that they gave today, started talking about BPPs, and will be finding time to make space for different community organizations to present to CEEC.

c. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee

Officer Fong said that they went over the resolutions that were passed at the full Youth Commission meeting today, as well as discussed previous BPPs and what they want to address this year.



d. Transformative Justice Committee

Commissioner Dang had a resolution training, went over the gun-related incident at an SFUSD high school recently, they received a presentation regarding the tobacco product ban, potential BPPs for this year, and they're planning for doing a resolution of commendation for United Playaz for their gun buy-back program.

11. Staff Report (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia said to prepare for the next few months to be intense around budget season and asked who hadn't yet received their City Hall IDs. Specialist Zhan said that she's working on the retreat materials and connecting with community organizations to schedule Vote16 presentations. Specialist Ochoa said Happy New Year and thank you to those who attended the Youth Leadership Mixer, and there may be future fun events for youth leadership to collaborate.

12. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Commissioner Ye invited everyone to visit United Playaz's office this upcoming Thursday on January 11th at 4pm, which is an organization that has been working towards transformative justice, especially in regards to youth in marginalized communities.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 7:08pm.