



City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

**Monday, March 6, 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), Maureen Loftus (D4), Hayden Miller (D5), Ann Anish (D7), Yoselin Colin (D9), Vanessa Pimentel (D10), Yena Im (Mayoral), Tyrone S. Hillman III (Mayoral).

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

Absent: Yena Im (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote access, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on March 6, 2023, with Chair Nguyen presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Nguyen called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 14 present, 1 absent.

Chloe Wong present

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 present
Raven Shaw present
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III present
Emily Nguyen present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

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

Voice vote: 12 ayes, 2 nays, 1 absent.

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

Action: Commissioner Im's absence excused, with Commissioners Adair and Miller in the dissent.

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.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anish, motioned to approve the March 6, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. February 21, 2023 (Packet Materials)

No discussion. No public comment.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve the February 21, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

6. Presentations

a. Department of Public Health (discussion and possible action)

- i. Presenter: Emily Gibbs, Deputy Finance Director

Director Gibbs gave their budget presentation. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked which funding is likely to be reduced, to which Director Gibbs responded by saying that they do not plan to reduce funding for any services since the City will continue funding these programs. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked about the situation regarding Laguna Honda, to which Director Gibbs summarized the ongoing situation with the hospitals to remain certified by the federal government. Commissioner Miller asked about what the timeline looks like with the wellness hubs that DPH is proposing, to which Director Gibbs said that that understanding is ongoing and they're working with the Mayor's Office.

b. Department of Children, Youth, and Families (discussion and possible action)

- i. Presenter: Maria Su, Director



Director Su gave their budget presentation. Commissioner Miller asked how they monitor the quality and performance of the organizations that they work with, to which Director Su said that they have a three-year plan implemented into their charter, with highlighted goals, expected outcomes, and a community needs assessment, which then is converted into the request from the budget that they need to meet the needs of the community. Commissioner Miller asked what programs they currently see that they'd like to push forward but are struggling to due to funding, to which Director Su said that the fundraising for their 'Summer Together' programming has been difficult, so they'll have to reduce the scope of their programs. This specific program is a collaboration between DCYF, SFUSD, and other community-based organizations. Chair Nguyen asked how they've fundraised in previous years, to which Director Su said that in pre-pandemic years they used to have roundtable fundraising efforts between organizations, and that they've been having difficulty due to city budget woes and reorganization in different citywide programs. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked how broad DCYF considers funding to ensure that schools can function, to which Director Su said that they work directly with SFUSD district leadership, and that they're working to determine what's necessary at each school site to better allocate that funding to reduce equity gaps. Vice Chair Barker Plummer mentioned the efforts around school safety, and Director Su said that they're doing their best to move forward with the funding they have while waiting for additional funding. Officer Utting asked for more details regarding their school safety measures, to which Director Su said that they are working to identify school sites that pose higher priorities for the district to focus on, and match the applicable services to support students. Officer Utting asked how many students won't be served due to fundraising woes and how they'll expand those efforts, to which Director Su said that they aren't sure as of now, but that they've served over 20,000 students in previous years. Chair Nguyen asked about how organizations are held accountable in regards to the Youth Empowerment Fund (YEF), to which Director Su said that organizations are required to input their fiscal & programmatic data.

- c. **CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates)** (discussion and possible action)
 - i. Presenters: Marta Rivas Crespin, SF CASA Youth Advisory Board; Wellington Smith Jr., SF CASA Youth Advisory Board; Theodara Liebhart, SF CASA TAY Coordinator & Case Supervisor; Kate Durham, SF CASA Executive Director

The presenters gave their budget presentation. Commissioner Adair asked about what strategies they use to let youth know about the services and programs that they offer to incarcerated youth, to which Supervisor Liebhart said that they work with youth's parole officers to communicate this information to youth. Chair



Nguyen asked where they primarily get their funding, to which Director Durham said they receive funding from individual donations, foundations, and other various organizations. Commissioner Miller asked what department they're requesting to fund their initiatives, to which Director Durham said they are alongside funding from other city departments, but that haven't really seen an increase in funding with how the program has grown. Chair Nguyen asked how the Youth Commission can best advocate for this funding, to which Director Durham said that they are going to try their best to get additional city funding. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked for clarification on how they will go about getting this funding, to which Director Durham said they're working both the grant application process and set-aside process at the BOS level.

Chair Nguyen called for a brief 5-minute recess at 6:18pm. Chair Nguyen called the meeting back to order at 6:24pm.

d. San Francisco Rising (discussion and possible action)

- i. Presenter: Celi Tamayo-Lee, Co-Director; Jacob Mata, Field Organizer

Co-Director Tamayo-Lee gave their budget presentation. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked for the assurance of the differences between both the 501(c)3 and 501(c)4 parts of the organization due to some concerns of overlap, to which Co-Director Tamayo-Lee said there are two separate organizations. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked what their outreach looks like in terms of how youth are able to be engaged and the voter registration process, to which they said that they focus on ensuring young people vote and participate in the electoral process. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked for a clarification regarding the advocacy around the redistricting process if that was the 501(c)3 and 501(c)4 organization, to which Co-Director Tamayo-Lee said it was the 501(c)3. Chair Nguyen asked how the classroom presentations go about and how SF Rising does outreach, to which they said they invest in paid internships. Commissioner Miller asked where SF Rising gets its funding, to which the Co-Director Tamayo-Lee said that it gets funding from both individual donations and private foundations. Commissioner Adair asked what goes into their assessment into what budgetary items would need to be adjusted based on the city's budget shortfall, to which Co-Director Tamayo-Lee said that it'll be a process they have to go through to select their priorities. Officer Utting asked more about what the internship program entails, to which Mata said it includes teaching youth how to facilitate conversations, voter registration outreach, and other helpful processes.

No public comment.



7. Resolutions (discussion and action item)

a. Youth Clipper BART Resolution (second reading and possible action)

i. Commissioner Adair

Commissioner Adair read the resolution aloud, and highlighted the changes in the final version of the resolution. Vice Chair Barker Plummer stated he would like to strike the third-to-last clause, since he believes that asking for free BART service for youth isn't fiscally realistic at this time. Commissioner Adair said that there should be free BART for youth in the long term, even if it's not feasible at this time. Commissioner Miller said that while free BART for youth may not happen anytime soon, it's efforts like these that can build foundational building blocks for future leaders to accomplish. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that Free Muni for All Youth is different because its city funding can be taken out of the general fund, to which Commissioner Miller said that BART could sell fares to the City with the intent of giving those passes to youth. Officer Utting agrees with Vice Chair Barker Plummer that this portion of the resolution be removed. Chair Nguyen supports leaving this clause in the resolution, especially since it shows the Commission's bold stance on supporting transit, and showing exactly what it wants. Commissioner Adair acknowledged Vice Chair Barker Plummer's concerns, but he would not support removing the clause. Officer Hum wanted to emphasize that this resolution specifies that this is the current stance of the 2022/2023 Youth Commission. Commissioner Miller referenced his visit to the Boys and Girls Club in the Tenderloin Clubhouse, and that youth brought up the need for a more affordable BART system. Officer Utting brought up the fact that youth should have a reliable system first, to which Chair Nguyen said that BART will not realistically sacrifice service to have free BART for youth. Vice Chair Barker Plummer emphasized that he will still support the resolution since the majority of it he agrees with, despite not agreeing to that specific clause.

No public comment.

Commissioner Adair, seconded by Commissioner Wong, motioned to approve the resolution. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resolution approved.

b. AB 800 Resolution (first reading and possible action)

i. Vice Chair Barker Plummer and Commissioner Pimentel

Vice Chair Barker Plummer introduced the resolution and the reason they're bringing it forward. Officer Utting said she believes that it would be a great idea to see what the City can do to push forward itself, in addition to waiting for the state to pass this legislation. Commissioner Miller acknowledges that there can't be changed since it's a state bill, but that he thinks that this should be taught earlier since youth can work as young as 14 years old.

No public comment.

~~Commissioner Colin, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve this resolution, with the amendment to change the title from "2023" to "2023/2024". The motion carried by the following roll call vote:~~

~~Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 1 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~~ aye
~~Yena Im~~ absent
~~Tyrone S. Hillman III~~ aye
~~Emily Nguyen~~ aye

~~Action: Resolution approved.~~

Chair Nguyen called for a brief 10-minute recess at 7:24pm. Chair Nguyen called the meeting back to order at 7:34pm.

Chair Nguyen, seconded by Vice Chair Barker Plummer, motioned to suspend Article IX, Section C of the Bylaws, and approve this resolution, with the amendment to change the title from “2023” to “2023/2024”. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resolution approved.

8. **29 Sunset Improvement Project** (discussion and action item)
 - a. Presenter: Commissioner Miller and YC Staff



Commissioner Miller read the motion language aloud. Officer Utting stated she would like to be added as a co-sponsor.

No public comment.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motioned to suspend Article IX, Section C of the Bylaws, and approve this resolution. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: Resolution approved.

9. 2023-2024 Budget and Policy Priorities (second reading and action item)

a. Presenter: Youth Commission

No public comment.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Officer Utting, motioned to approve (BPP 1) Expand Access to Youth-Centered Recreational Spaces. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve (BPP 2) Address Vision Zero. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.



Officer Utting, seconded by Commissioner Colin, motioned to approve (BPP 3) Make Transportation Services Accessible and Reliable for Youth. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Hillman, motioned to approve (BPP 4) Support Youth and Transitional-Aged Youth Experiencing Homelessness, with grammatical amendments. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve (BPP 5) Study the Removal of the Central Freeway. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Officer Shaw, motioned to approve (BPP 6) Make Free Muni for All Youth Permanent. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Officer Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Hillman, motioned to approve (BPP 7) Alternatives to Youth and Transitional-Aged Youth Incarceration. Commissioner Colin stated the slight title change to reflect the language in the BPP. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.



Officer Utting, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve (BPP 8) Expand Harm Reduction Measures for Youth Drug Use by Funding a Narcan Program in All San Francisco Schools. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve (BPP 9) Urging San Francisco to Take Immediate Action in Restoring Bayview Hunters Point. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motioned to approve (BPP 10) Provide Oversight of and Investment in School Safety Measures for San Francisco Students. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Officer Hum, seconded by Commissioner Colin, motioned to approve (BPP 11) Grant 16 and 17-Year-Olds the Right to Vote. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Wong, motioned to approve (BPP 12) Increase Existing Funding for Wellness Centers in San Francisco Public Schools. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

On (BPP 13) Support the Continuance of Funding for Youth Employment and Life Skills Preparation Programs in San Francisco, Commissioner Miller asked if the recommendations could include more information, such as the pathways program. Chair



Nguyen echoed the same concerns, in addition to other programs that exist within the City, and said that there should be more data included. Officer Utting said the same as others, and said there should be further information about how it's relevant to San Francisco.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motions to table (BPP 13) Support the Continuance of Funding for Youth Employment and Life Skills Preparation Programs in San Francisco indefinitely. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll call vote: 10 ayes, 4 nays, 1 absent.

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

Action: BPP tabled indefinitely, with Commissioners Loftus, Pimentel, Barker Plummer, and Hum in dissent.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Chair Barker Plummer, motioned to approve (BPP 14) Increase Voter Preregistration Efforts. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Officer Utting, seconded by Officer Listana, motioned to approve (BPP 15) San Francisco LGBTQIA+ Coalition on Safety Funding Request. Commissioner Miller asked for clarification regarding the recommendation, since staff need to put the correct number on there. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Officer Listana, seconded by Vice Chair Barker Plummer, motioned to approve (BPP 16) Create a More Comprehensive LGBTQ+ and Sexual Health Curriculum for SFUSD



Schools, with a language amendment in the recommendations to change “many” to “none”. Commissioner Miller brought up that some schools do have health educators, and that it would otherwise be factually incorrect. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Hillman, motioned to approve (BPP 17) Establish Safe Spaces in Schools and Make Resources for LGBTQ+ Students More Accessible. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice vote: 14 ayes, 1 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 aye
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Emily Nguyen aye

Action: BPP approved.

10. Committee Reports (discussion item)

a. Executive Committee

i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Shaw said that they're focusing on preparing the full Commission on the budget presentation to the Board of Supervisors on the 2023/2024 Budget and Policy Priorities. Officer Shaw asked for Commissioners to request any legislation that they would like referred. Officer Shaw also congratulated those who wrote the two newly-passed resolutions, and to fill out the Google Form if they'd like to submit any interest in working on resolutions that others are working on. Officer Hum has nothing to add.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Listana said that they're going to be working on public notices for Commission meetings, coordinating takeovers for those who haven't done so already, and they're working on social media posts for updates and events across the City. Officer Utting said that they've sent out a Google Form for educators who want the Youth Commission to present to their classrooms, but they will give updates soon.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Barker Plummer discussed updates regarding the BOS budget presentation, the Youth Budget Town Hall that will be coming up in April, and the beginnings for 2023/2024 Youth Commission recruitment. Chair Nguyen added that those who will be presenting to the BOS budget should look over the information.

b. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee

Commissioner Miller said that at the last meeting, SFMTA presented on the 29 Sunset Improvement Project and they worked on amending some language for



the Youth BART Clipper resolution. Commissioners also attended the District 7 Transit Town Hall with Supervisor Melgar, which they thought was an interesting town hall to hear from government officials. Chair Nguyen added her participation on the Central Freeway removal forum went well.

c. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Loftus said that they went over the BPPs and the CEEC survey feedback.

d. Transformative Justice Committee

Commissioner Colin said they finished the BPPs, and had a conversation about what they'd like to work on for the remaining months on the Commission.

e. LGBTQ+ Task Force

Officer Listana said they haven't met since the last full Commission meeting, but they worked on the final BPPs.

No public comment.

11. Roll Call and Introductions (discussion item)

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

Commissioner Anish said that she has been continuing her research on the open spaces resolution from her last update.

Commissioner Utting has been working on school safety language with Vice Chair Barker Plummer, and she hopes that it will turn into a resolution that they can then advocate for the furthering of their goal.

Commissioner Miller went to the Tenderloin Boys and Girls Club recently, and looks forward to future visits to organizations. He also said he attended a meeting regarding McLaren Park and its future, and hopes to introduce a resolution in the future.

Commissioner Hum said he's hoping to get back to working on the Mental Health resolution.



Commissioner Adair said he's been working on the Youth BART Clipper resolution, and is looking forward to working on another resolution regarding housing.

Commissioner Shaw said she's been working to do her role as Legislative Affairs Officer and supporting the Executive Committee, and is working on a potential issue with Commissioner Hillman.

Commissioner Nguyen has been working on the final BPP document and taking part in the Central Freeway panel, and is now looking forward to helping others complete their projects and coming up with new projects of her own. She's also working on the Chair's letter in the BPP document, but it might take some time.

Commissioner Loftus said that she's been recovering, so she hasn't been able to do much, but is excited to get back to work at the next full Youth Commission meeting.

b. Other Legislative Introductions

No other legislative introductions.

No public comment.

12. Staff Report (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia has no report. Specialist Zhan is designing the BPP booklet and is asking commissioners for feedback, and she sent the Transit Stop Accessibility and Combating Fentanyl Use resolutions to all of the BOS offices, but to reach out to Officers Shaw and Hum. Specialist Ochoa is working on creating a Google Form for feedback after the Youth Budget Town Hall, putting together a document for community organizations, working with the Comms team on flyers and social media efforts, and presenting the YC's BPPs to the Youth Allies in Government later this month.

Commissioner Miller asked if the attendance can be updated and sent to all of the Commissioners, to which Director Garcia agreed and said it would be sent out soon.

No public comment.

13. Announcements (this includes Community Events)



Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked for 30 seconds after the meeting is over so he can record his Instagram takeover video. Specialist Zhan said she will be sending out information in an email to Commissioners about the Jewish Contemporary Museum event in the coming weeks. Officer Utting announced that there is a District 8 Public Safety Town Hall that will be taking place on Friday, March 10th at 5:30pm at the Upper Noe Valley Recreation Center. Specialist Ochoa announced that the Juvenile Probation Commission will be meeting on Wednesday, March 8th at 5:30pm and DA Jenkins will be in attendance. Ochoa also announced that there's two SF Marina Project community forums, and to check out the details on the calendar invite that was sent out earlier. Specialist Zhan announced that there will be a test run of the BPP presentation to the BOS, at the Executive Committee meeting on March 15th, so all presenters should be there to attend that meeting.

No public comment.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 8:49pm.

1 [Recognition of LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth]

2 **Resolution recognizing and commending the work and impact of the San**
3 **Francisco Lavender Youth Recreation and Information Center (LYRIC) for**
4 **LGBTQQ Youth.**

5 WHEREAS, The Lavender Youth Recreation and Information Center (LYRIC) for
6 LGBTQ Youth is one of the main service providers and community spaces serving
7 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning (LGBTQQ) youth in San
8 Francisco; and

9 WHEREAS, The LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth was founded in 1988, making
10 it one of the first community centers serving LGBTQ youth in the country; and

11 WHEREAS, The LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth grew out of the ad-hoc
12 Committee for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth, which was started by community
13 activists Donna Keiko Ozawa and Beth Kivel; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1996 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth launched the first
15 lobby day devoted to LGBTQ youth protections in public schools, engaging 300+
16 participants with the LIFE Lobby and the Gay-Straight Alliance Network, and building
17 momentum to pass California Assembly Bill 537 in 2000, which protects students and
18 staff against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1997 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth, along with other
20 LGBTQ youth-serving community organizations, co-founded the Dimensions Clinic
21 Collaboration, a twice-weekly clinic held at a public health center created to meet the
22 medical and psycho-social service needs of LGBTQ youth; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2001, The Youth Development Program Outcomes Project gave
2 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth one of the highest scores for youth development
3 outcomes and levels of youth satisfaction; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2010 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth received the
5 California Adolescent Health Janet Shalwitz Leadership Award and the Bank of
6 America's Neighborhood Builder Award in 2011; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2011 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth launched the School-
8 Based Initiative to educate and build allyship among students, school staff, and families;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, In 2013 the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth launched
11 UndocuWorkforce, the Bay Area's first paid leadership program for undocumented
12 LGBTQ (and ally) youth; and

13 WHEREAS, The LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth has expanded their
14 community partnerships to include API Wellness, Bay Area Young Positives,
15 Dimensions Clinic, Larkin Street Youth Services, San Francisco LGBT Center, and San
16 Francisco Department of Recreation and Parks, to respond to city budget cuts
17 impacting LGBTQ youth; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2018 and 2020, the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth was
19 awarded two contracts to expand housing navigation services for homeless and
20 unstably housed LGBTQ youth; and therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission hereby commends the
22 work of the LYRIC Center for LGBTQ Youth and recognizes the positive impact the
23 center and its programs have had on LGBTQ youth in the City and County of San
24 Francisco.

Proposition G Community Input Survey

What is Proposition G?

Prop. G was passed by San Francisco voters on November 2022's election. The Prop established the Student Success Fund grant program, which will be administered by the City Department of Children and Families, with grants of up to \$1 million per year to San Francisco Unified School District schools from Pre-K to 12th grade.

Specifically, grants up to \$1 million would be awarded from the Student Success Fund to individual schools for hiring more educators, nurses, tutors, literacy and math specialists, academic coaches, social workers, specialized curriculum, school psychologists and other support staff.

The fund could also be used for community-based organizations or city departments to provide after school programs, therapeutic arts and culture programs or summer school.

The grants are not to be used for funding core staffing.

Why we need your input!

The San Francisco Youth Commission wants to make sure that youth voices (YOUR VOICES) are being heard and taken into consideration when the City discusses where Prop G funding goes AND what it is spent on. We want to hear what your thoughts are and what YOU think the funding should be spent on to make San Francisco schools better. Your input and opinions are very much appreciated!



sfycommission@gmail.com (not shared) [Switch account](#)



*** Required**

Name

Your answer



Email (if in Elementary School, parent email is fine or leave blank)

Your answer

How did you hear about this survey? *

- ☐ School Newsletter
- ☐ Community Organization
- ☐ Youth Commission Social Media
- ☐ Other Social Media
- ☐ Friend
- ☐ Flyer
- ☐ Family Member
- ☐ Other:

Are you willing to be contacted about future Youth Commission events/opportunities? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No



Which of the following best describes your race/ethnicity? Select all that apply.

- ☐ Asian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino/a
- ☐ Native American or Alaskan Native
- ☐ White or Caucasian
- ☐ Mixed Race
- ☐ A race/ethnicity not listed here
- ☐ Prefer not to say



What grade are you in? *

- ☐ Pre-K
- ☐ Kindergarten
- ☐ 1st
- ☐ 2nd
- ☐ 3rd
- ☐ 4th
- ☐ 5th
- ☐ 6th
- ☐ 7th
- ☐ 8th
- ☐ 9th
- ☐ 10th
- ☐ 11th
- ☐ 12th
- ☐ Other:



Which of the following best describes your gender identity?

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Transgender
- ☐ Genderqueer
- ☐ Non-Binary
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Other:

Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

- ☐ Asexual
- ☐ Bisexual
- ☐ Gay/Lesbian
- ☐ Heterosexual/Straight
- ☐ Pansexual
- ☐ Queer
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Other:



What district do you live in? (Look up here:
https://sfelections.org/tools/districts_lookup/)



- ☐ District 1
- ☐ District 2
- ☐ District 3
- ☐ District 4
- ☐ District 5
- ☐ District 6
- ☐ District 7
- ☐ District 8
- ☐ District 9
- ☐ District 10
- ☐ District 11



What age are you? *

- ☐ 4
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- ☐ 12
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- ☐ 19
- ☐ Other:

What school do you currently attend? *

Your answer



What do you believe are the biggest challenges for students? *This can be academically, socially, mentally, etc.* *

Your answer

With the additional funding that Prop G would give to San Francisco schools, what changes would *YOU* like to see in schools to benefit students? *

Your answer

What school areas do *YOU* think the funding should be spent on? *

- ☐ Mental Health
- ☐ School Safety
- ☐ Tutoring
- ☐ Youth Programs
- ☐ Academics
- ☐ School Supplies
- ☐ Nurses/Counselors
- ☐ Other:

Any questions for us? -- OR -- Anything you'd like us to know?

Your answer

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The Honorable Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi
Chair, Assembly Committee on Education
1021 O Street, Suite 5610
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Re: Support for AB 800: Workplace Readiness Week

Dear Chairman Muratsuchi:

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According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, in July 2022, 55.3 percent of young people (aged 16 to 24) were employed, which is equivalent to 21 million people across the United States. The vast majority of employed youth work part-time, low-wage, entry-level jobs. Young people are often unaware of their rights at work, leaving them subject to various forms of exploitation and abuse at work, including wage theft, unsafe working conditions and workplace injuries, discrimination and sexual harassment. Therefore, it is essential for young Californians entering the workforce to be thoroughly educated on their rights as workers, as well as how to join or organize a union in their workplace so that they do not experience exploitation from their employers.

Modeled on the Voter Rights Education Week that is observed across the state, AB 800 would enact a “Workplace Readiness Week” to educate California high school students on their rights as workers, and employed minors, including information on minimum wage and overtime rates, child labor laws, wage and hour protections, and workers’ compensation, when receiving a worker’s permit. For these reasons, the San Francisco Youth Commission supports AB 800.

Sincerely,

Emily Nguyen, Chair
Adopted on 3/20/2023
2022-2023 San Francisco Youth Commission

¹ [RESOLUTION NO. 2223-AL-12](#)

1 [Motion to Support AB 800: Workplace Readiness Week]

2 **Supplemental Information:**

3 See attached document.

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MARCH 15

App/Flyer/Questions Process Approval Exec. Com.

MARCH 20

App/Flyer/Questions Process Approval Commission

MARCH 22

Policy communicated to BOS/MO - Staff led

APRIL 1

Application Open (no extensions)

APRIL 3

Outreach blasts email, twitter, facebook, signal

APRIL 3

Plan Fliers drop off- Staff/Comm led (Recruitment and Application)

APRIL 10

Staff meet with the known non-returners

APRIL 12

Finalize scorecard - Youth led, Staff finalize

LATE APRIL

ZOOM Open House Info Session - Comm/Staff led

EARLY MAY

IN PERSON Open House Info Session - Comm/Staff led

MAY 31

Application/Application by Video Due

Letters of Recommendation Due

JUNE 1

Application Review MQ's - Staff led

Commission Panel Interviews - Staff led

JUNE 27

Staff Confirm Selection based on score sheets DUE

JUNE 27
Send to BOS

JULY 7
Send to MO

JULY 7
BOS Confirmation

JULY 21
Mayor Confirmation

AUGUST 25-27
Fall Orientation

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10-16
Inaugural Swearing-in

AUGUST 8
Social

SEPTEMBER 18
First YC Meeting

JANUARY 20-21
Mid Year Training Retreat



Youth Commission 2023/2024 Application Timeline: 4/1/2023 - 5/31/2023

The Youth Commission is a diverse group of 17 young people between the ages of 12 and 23. We come from all across San Francisco to serve as the official youth voice in City Hall. We are appointed by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to ensure that young people have a role and a voice in the policy and budget decisions that impact the youth of San Francisco. The Youth Commission is not an after-school program, but a chartered commission, which means it is written into city law and requires that members follow through on certain responsibilities. To read more about what the charter states, check out our website.

Throughout the year-long term, Commissioners are offered policy and budget advocacy training, leadership development skills, and one-on-one support as they identify the unmet needs of young people, engage in community building, and create lasting change in their communities. Commissioners come from all different backgrounds, but they all share a common vision of a more progressive future and engage in different approaches to work on issues such as housing (Transitional Age Youth Navigation Center & the Grand Challenge), transformative justice (Close Juvenile Hall & Close 850 Bryant), voting rights (Vote16SF), and transportation (Free Muni For Youth).

We welcome you to City Hall – the people's building...YOUR building. Please join us as we use our voices and find our power! All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply. Due Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.

To be eligible to serve on the San Francisco Youth Commission, you must be: between the ages of 12 and 23 years old, a resident of the City and County of San Francisco, and someone who has an understanding of the needs of young people in San Francisco, any experience with children and youth programs or youth organizations, or involvement with school or community activities.

BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

When filling out this application, you will be asked to respond to multiple **essay questions**. You may want to think about and prepare your essay responses (on a separate document) before continuing this application. After you've submitted your application, you'll be asked to submit an **optional** letter of recommendation.

For New Youth Commissioners (200 - 400 words each question):

1. Why do you want to be a Youth Commissioner and what do you hope to achieve in the Commission?
2. What does public service mean to you? What kinds of programs and/or processes in local government would you like to learn more about, and why?
3. The Youth Commission is responsible, under SEC 4.124 of the City Charter, for advising the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor on "the effects of legislative policies, needs, assessments, priorities, programs, and budgets concerning the children and youth of San Francisco." If you had a meeting with the Mayor or a member of the Board of Supervisors tomorrow, what crucial issue would you talk to them about and advise them on?
4. Describe an experience where you have worked with a particular community to meet a shared goal or meet their unmet needs. Name the skills or practices you utilized to achieve the goal.
5. Is there any additional information you would like to share with us about yourself?

For Returning Youth Commissioners (200 - 400 words each question):



1. How have you demonstrated your leadership capacity this year? What goals do you have for yourself as a returning Commissioner?
2. Based on your experiences as a Commissioner and community member, how can the City and County of San Francisco improve the effectiveness of our city's processes, programs and/or services?
3. Please describe your experience in community outreach and engagement working directly with vulnerable communities. In your response, please speak to your advocacy and work on behalf of or with vulnerable communities, including but not limited to: people of color, LGBTQI communities, undocumented persons, workers, persons with disabilities, incarcerated and formerly incarcerated persons, unsheltered and marginally housed people, and indigenous/Native communities.
4. What goals did you set for yourself and your committee? And what did you do to meet those goals?
5. What challenges did you encounter this year on the Youth Commission, and what did you do to overcome them?
6. What additional information would you like to share with us about yourself and your experience as a Youth Commissioner?

You can edit your responses after you submit.

Letter of Recommendations can come from your teacher, program manager, employer, church leader, mentor, coworker and/or someone who is able to accurately speak to your drive, skills, and leadership experience. Please make submissions by Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.

Personal Information

* Required

Name*

Email*

Pronouns:

Address*



Zip Code*

Supervisory District (look up here: <http://propertymap.sfplanning.org/>) * (Note: Applicants may apply to different districts if they attend school there and/or familiarity with the district.)

- District 1 - Supervisor Connie Chan
- District 2 - Supervisor Catherine Stefani
- District 3 - Supervisor Aaron Peskin
- District 4 - Supervisor Joel Engardio
- District 5 - Supervisor Dean Preston
- District 6 - Supervisor Matt Dorsey
- District 7 - Supervisor Myrna Melgar
- District 8 - Supervisor Rafael Mandelman
- District 9 - Supervisor Hillary Ronen
- District 10 - Supervisor Shamann Walton
- District 11 - Supervisor Ahsha Safai

Email*

Best Number to contact you*

Birthday (MM/DD/YY)*

If you are or will be in school, what school will you be attending in the fall of 2022? *

Please list other schools you have attended (within the state of CA): *



The Youth Commission requires a minimum commitment of at least 15 - 20 hours a month. In order to truly make an impact, it is often necessary to go beyond that minimum commitment. Are you willing to make this a top priority and understand that you might have to let go of other priorities to follow through on your responsibilities as a commissioner? *

- Yes
- No

PLEASE NOTE: In addition to the 15-20 hour time commitment, you are required to (1) attend a 2.5 day orientation training retreat on August 25-27, (2) attend the swearing-in ceremony week of September 10-16, (3) attend the inaugural meeting on September 18, and (4) attend all of the full two-day "Mid-Year" Training Retreat Saturday and Sunday January 20-21, 2024.

- Yes, I can hold these dates
- No, I cannot hold these days

How did you learn about the Youth Commission? *

- Friend
- Supervisor
- Mayor
- Parent/Adult
- School
- Social Media
- Community Event
- Info Session
- Other: _____

Demographic Information

- White
- Black or African-American
- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- Multiracial
- Prefer not to say
- Other: _____

Ethnicity:

Home Language: Check the box corresponding to the main languages spoken at your home. *

- English



- Arabic
 - Cantonese
 - Japanese
 - Khmer/Cambodian
 - Korean
 - Mandarin/Putonghua
 - Pilipino/Tagalog
 - Russian
 - Spanish
 - Taishanese
 - Vietnamese
 - Other: _____
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Sexual Orientation:

- Straight
- Bisexual
- Gay
- Lesbian
- Queer
- Asexual
- Prefer not to say
- Other: _____

Gender:

- Female
- Male
- Transgender
- Nonbinary
- 2Spirit
- Prefer not to say
- Other: _____

Access needs:

Our application process provides access to all and is open to people of all abilities. Will you need reasonable accommodations or support to participate? For example, modified tasks, specialized equipment, interpreter services. This information will help us best support you. We will contact you to discuss this if needed.

Please specify what access needs you might have for us to make it possible for you to apply.

Please let us know if you plan on answering the questions via video submission. *



If you plan on answering the questions via video submission. Please email the video in mp4 format to youthcom@sfgov.org by Wednesday, May 31, 2023, 11:59 PM.

- Okay, I understand

Returning Commissioners Only (Required for Returners)

First off, we are so grateful for your willingness to reapply. As you know, the appointing prerogative is on the hands of the Mayor and Board of Supervisors. Please answer all the questions. There is a 200-400-word limit to each question. It might be helpful to write this down or take a screenshot. Thank you!

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4. What goals did you set for yourself and your committee? And what did you do to meet those goals?
5. What challenges did you encounter this year on the Youth Commission, and what did you do to overcome them?
6. What additional information would you like to share with us about yourself and your experience as a Youth Commissioner?

New Applicant Essay Questions (Required for all new applicants)

First off, we are so grateful for your willingness to apply. As you know, the appointing prerogative is on the hands of the Mayor and Board of Supervisors. Please answer all the following questions. Please note that there is a 200-400-word limit for each question. It might be helpful to write this down or take a screenshot. Thank you!

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YC Interview Questions for New Applicants 2023 - 2024 Term

Interviewers:

Candidate Name:

Candidate District:

Candidate Pronouns:

Agenda

Welcome	5 minutes
Interview Questions	20 - 25 minutes
Closing	3 minutes
Ending Time	30 - 35 minutes

Welcome

5 mins

- Roundtable introduction of names, pronouns, district / position, school, interests, and any other information staff should know.

Interview

20 - 25 mins

1. What knowledge do you have of the Youth Commission and our work? [2 mins]
2. What impact do you envision or hope for youth in San Francisco, especially those in your district and/or neighborhood? [2 mins]
3. What does social justice and community mean to you, and how do you envision addressing issues in your district or neighborhood? (Social Justice Definition: fair and equitable division of resources, opportunities, and privileges in society) [2 mins]
4. What does being a leader mean to you? [2 mins]
5. What skills and/or lived experiences do you already have that can uplift or expand the current work of the Youth Commission? [2 mins]
 - a. What experiences do you bring with you to prepare you for this position? [2 mins]
use if they gave a short answer, and didn't elaborate well enough



6. What does accountability mean to you and how do you feel about holding adults or elected officials accountable? (definition: accountability is the obligation to explain, justify, and take responsibility for one's actions) [3-4 mins]
7. Most of the YC work is done within your committee and also with your colleagues. Commissioners come from different backgrounds and communities. Please tell us about a time when you experienced a conflict whether it be how a project was going or an idea a peer shared. How did you approach the conflict and/or persons involved? [3-4 mins]
8. What are your strengths and areas for growth? [2 mins]
9. The Youth Commission has 3 issue-based committees: Civic Engagement & Education Committee; Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee; and Transformative Justice Committee. Now that you've heard what committees we have, do you have an idea which one you would want to learn more about and/or do work with? [2 mins]

Closing	3 mins
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1. Do you have any questions for us?



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Letter of Recommendation

Please provide a letter of recommendation--a few paragraphs are sufficient--from someone not in your family. Any of the following may qualify: a teacher, counselor, probation officer, program manager, employer, church leader, mentor, coworker and/or someone who is able to accurately speak to your skills and leadership experience. This is optional and letters should be submitted separately and addressed to Youth Commission Staff.

Those submitting a letter of recommendation can email the Youth Commission directly at: Youthcom@sfgov.org; PDF format only. Once submitted, the recommender will receive an email confirming that it has been received.

Please make submissions by Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.

Thank You!

Depending on your written responses, you may or may not be invited for an interview with Youth Commission staff and youth commissioners via email. Please make sure your email address is accurate, because this is how we will contact you. Exact dates and times will be announced after you turn in your application.

The Youth Commission makes recommendations of who to appoint to the commission to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor's Office. Ultimately, the members of the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor choose who to appoint to the Youth Commission.

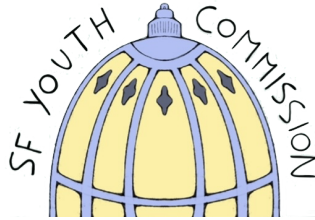
For more information: <https://sfgov.org/youthcommission/>

Questions or Concerns?

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Email: youthcom@sfgov.org

If you'd like to connect with the current Commissioners, you can find their contact info here:
<https://sfgov.org/youthcommission/commissioners>



YC Interview Questions for Returning Candidates 2023 - 2024 Term

Interviewers:

Candidate Name:

Candidate District:

Candidate Pronouns:

Agenda

Welcome	5 minutes
Interview Questions	20 - 25 minutes
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5 mins

- Roundtable introduction of names, pronouns, district / position, and any other information staff should know.

Interview

20 - 25 mins

1. How has the idea of being a youth commissioner changed from when you first applied to now as a reapplying applicant? [3 mins]
2. The Youth Commission is a bridge between youth and government. How have you been a bridge builder for youth in your district and/or citywide and acted as a liaison with their needs to elected officials? [2 mins]
3. What lessons are you bringing into your next term if you are to be reappointed and how would you support incoming commissioners? [3-4 mins]
4. Describe your experience working on a collaborative project either within your committee or with your peers. What was your role in planning, implementing, & evaluating? [5 mins]
5. The energy of the Youth Commission goes in waves. What would you do next year to hold yourself and peers accountable to your roles and responsibilities during these periods? [3 mins]



6. What skills do you feel that you're well experienced in and what do you hope to nurture for 2022-2023? [3 mins]

Closing	3 mins
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1. Do you have any questions for us?

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee

Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 6

Full Name: Linda Ye

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Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of residents of the City and County of San Francisco who are 18 years of age or older (unless otherwise stated in the code authority). For certain appointments, the Board of Supervisors may waive the residency requirement.

Resident of San Francisco: Yes ☒ No ☐ If No, place of residence: _____
18 Years of Age or Older: Yes ☐ No ☒

Pursuant to Mayoral Order, members of boards/commissions are required to be Covid-19 vaccinated and attend in-person meetings.

Covid-19 Vaccinated: Yes ☒ No ☐

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(1), please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:

I am a high school junior (16.y.o.) born and raised in San Francisco. I grew up in the Outer Sunset, and my family identifies as low-income. I previously attended 4 SFUSD public schools from my early education to middle school years, before attending the Urban School of San Francisco, a small independent high school. I have a deep commitment to support our communities, especially in the city that I call home. I've worked to do this by volunteering and getting to know local organizations such as Nature in the City, Asian Women's Resource Center, United Playaz, Glide Memorial, Chinese Immersion School, Housing Rights Committee of SF, and more, to understand the diverse and unique ways that these communities are working to create a beautiful, brighter San Francisco. I use what I've learned to grow my compassion and awareness for others, and share the ways that we can all support one another. I acknowledge that everyone comes from different experiences and backgrounds, many of which are unlike my own, but I try to listen to and understand as many perspectives as I can. As I've spent time working with youth especially, I've noticed how big food corporations such as those of the soda industry have a large influence on the diets of youth. Much of this issue is intergenerational, but I believe it can be broken down with the right steps.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

I am a full-time student at the Urban School of San Francisco. I've interned for the Stop AAPI Hate Youth Campaign where my team and I were responsible for creating social media infographics, conducting interviews, developing curriculum, writing policy reports, and creating youth resources. I am a co-leader of the Asian Pacific-Islander affinity space at my school where I work to plan weekly meetings and organize school-wide events pertaining to the API identity. This includes celebrating API joy and creating a safe space for API-identifying students and faculty, while also fostering discussion about ongoing issues and working with local AAPI individuals and organizations. I've also worked as a counselor for youth camps at Dogpatch Paddle. I'm also a member of the Premier Ensemble of the San Francisco Girls Chorus, where my ensemble and I have worked with musicians and activists to spotlight and empower marginalized voices using classical and contemporary music throughout the Bay Area.

Civic Activities:

I tutored underprivileged youth to supplement the loss of learning during the pandemic through a student-led organization known as Virtual Tutoring SF. Also during the pandemic, I worked on the Finance and Logistics team of a student-organized online resource database known as The STORM SF, which was dedicated to providing SF youth with information about opportunities throughout the city. I also volunteered as a teacher assistant and counselor for 3rd-5th graders at Gum Moon Asian Women's Resource Center Summer Program. I helped advise and guide students who were on the Leadership Council of Chinese Immersion School. I helped my independent school walk out in solidarity with SFUSD public high schools against sexual violence at City Hall by negotiating with my school and collaborating with the students organizers of the event. I also worked with Nature in the City at White Crane Springs Community Gardens. Recently, I've also worked for Housing Rights Committee of San Francisco follow-up calls to clients to check in with ongoing issues tenants were facing.

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes ☐ No ☐

An appearance before the Rules Committee may be required at a scheduled public hearing, prior to the Board of Supervisors considering the recommended appointment. Applications should be received ten (10) days prior to the scheduled public hearing.

Date: 01/22/2023 Applicant's Signature (required): Linda Ye
(Manually sign or type your complete name.
NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are
hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year. Once completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

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Appointed to Seat #: _____ Term Expires: _____ Date Vacated: _____

Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee (SDDTAC)

Supplemental Questionnaire

(Please include this questionnaire with application form)

1. Please describe the experience you have in public health programs related to diabetes, oral health, obesity, and sugary drink consumption.

I have no prior experience in working with public health programs. Most of my exposure to public health programs came from school who taught us about the relationship between sugary drink consumption and diet sensitive chronic illnesses. However, that was from when I was very young and I personally never fully understood it until I began to see the impacts of sugary drink consumption in my own community and I began to research it.

2. Please describe the ways in which sugary drinks impact diverse communities across San Francisco.

Sugary drinks are only a part of a larger concern of intergenerational health, class, and racial inequities in San Francisco. The soda industry disproportionately impacts BIPOC, low-income communities, and youth, many of whom often don't have access to resources to prioritize a healthy diet, raising the likelihood of these populations developing diet-sensitive chronic diseases. Youth are particularly vulnerable because habits and diets are established young, and without proper support, it becomes harder for these habits to change. Having come from public schools and now attending a private school, I've witnessed the evident disparities in nutrition and health education that students receive. Without making sure that everyone is able to receive adequate support and education, sugary drinks will continue to divide our communities.

3. Please describe your experience in reaching out to community-based organizations that serve communities most impacted by sugary drinks.

I've never worked with organizations to specifically discuss sugary drinks, but I have worked to get to know organizations that serve vulnerable populations such as youth, BIPOC, and those who identify as low-income. I have no problem with doing outreach and being a resource for communities. I love to collaborate and learn from others.

4. Please describe your understanding of how businesses (soda industry, tobacco industry, etc.) impact chronic disease and community health.

Many businesses such as those of the soda industry sacrifice the well-being of consumers to sell and to profit. Sugary beverages have been a major contributor to chronic diseases such as obesity, diabetes, hypertension, cavities and more, due to its addictive high sugar content. Despite this scientific consensus, soda distributors have continued to push deep pocket advertising and marketing to mislead our communities and increase the consumption of sugary drinks. In the past, I've seen advertisements using athletes and celebrities to promote beverages as being "cool" and normalized, which only pressures consumers to buy more. However, the real price that our communities pay is decreased health as the distributors profit, which is why they must be held accountable for the damaging impacts they've had on our communities.

5. Please describe how your work or life experience will inform the work of the committee.

When I first heard about the SF Soda Tax in 2016, I didn't understand the tax's significance besides knowing from school that soda and high amounts of sugar were unhealthy. However, sugar was always a part of my family and community. It could always be used to cheer us up, like getting root beer floats if any of us were having a bad day or bringing Coca-Cola to a potluck. Like many, sugar and soda had become an integrated part of my life, but I saw many friends and family members suffer from the consequences such as cavities or hypertension. Additionally, when SFUSD's Student Nutrition Services reformed in 2013, I saw lunches go from cookies and soda to pre-plated Revolution Foods as I would be invited to hang out with my aunt at her work. It seemed to be a positive change, but I couldn't stop hearing my brother complain at the dinner table about how he wanted the soda and cookies back. He wasn't the only one who felt this way; at school I would also hear classmates groan before a meal landed in the trash with a thud. Looking back at it now, it made me realize how powerful food corporations have been to influence the diets of generations to normalize and prefer to eat food that could negatively impact them both physically and mentally. For me, it took body dysmorphia and an eating disorder to begin to prioritize a healthy and balanced diet, but no one, especially a child, should need to suffer to live healthier.

As I've grown to understand the complexities of systemic issues, it has only made me want to fight harder to advocate for others and myself. As I advocate for youth, I believe that we must invest more into providing thorough and up-to-date health and nutrition education in all schools, as well as increase accessibility to clean water, non-processed foods, and other necessities to support the public health of San Francisco. Even though I don't have the experience of working with public health programs, I care deeply about the well-being of my communities and am determined to do anything to stand for them. I wish for this to be an opportunity for me to work with a group of people who care about health equity as much as I do, and to also use this opportunity to introduce public health awareness to other youth and encourage their involvement in civic engagement.