



San Francisco Youth Commission

Minutes ~ Draft

Tuesday, February 18th, 2020

5:00 pm-8:00 pm

City Hall, Room 278

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Sarah Cheung, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Maggie Dong, Josephine Cureton, Calvin Quick, Khatab Alameri, Crystal Chan, JoJo Ty, Ariana Arana, Rome Jones, Amara Santos, Arianna Nassiri, Nora Hylton, Stephen “Rocky” Versace, Arsema Asfaw, Alexander Hirji, Sarah Ginsburg

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**

Chair Cureton calls the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Commissioners Alioto-Pier, Arana, Jones, Hylton, Ginsburg are absent. Commissioner Ginsburg notified us yesterday that she will be late. Commissioner Arana and Alioto-Pier gave notice prior to the deadline. Staff present: Itzel, Austin, & Kiely. There is quorum.

Commissioner Santos asked about why people are not here. Commissioner Arana is out of the country, Commissioner Alioto-Pier did not give an explanation. Commissioner Santos noted that this can be an action of accountability. Commissioner Cureton mentioned this came up last year re: mental health issue and family issues and that it might be something people should disclose

Commissioner Jones comes in at 5:02 PM. Commissioner Hylton arrives at 5:04 PM.

There is no public comment. Commissioner Santos motioned to excuse Commissioner Arana’s absence, seconded by Commissioner Alameri. Motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

Commissioner Nassiri motions to excuse Commissioner Alioto-Pier, seconded by Commissioner Versace.

Commissioner Cheung asked how many absences? Commissioner Alioto-Pier has one excused absence for Full Youth Commission meetings.

Commissioner Cureton notes there is nothing in the bylaws that says we have an explicit reason in the absences and there is a sense of trust. Commissioner Asfaw says it’s not about trust, it’s about accountability. Commissioner Nassiri accountability stated that it is excused at a



reasonable time. Commissioner Jones notes that this is planned - and some reasons could be acceptable. Commissioner Versace notes that this isn't an issue based on her attendance record - this is not an egregious concern and we should accept that this was given notice ahead of time.

Roll call vote on the motion to excuse Commissioner Alioto-Pier's absence:

Aye: Commissioner Cheung, Commissioner Dong, Commissioner Cureton, Commissioner Quick, Commissioner Alameri, Commissioner Chan, Commissioner Ty, Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Santos, Commissioner Nassiri, Commissioner Hylton, Commissioner Versace, Commissioner Asfaw, Commissioner Hirj

Naye: None

Absent: Commissioner Valentina Alioto-Pier, Ariana Arana, Sarah Ginsburg.

Moving forward, a concrete reason and could be a bylaw amendment for reasonable excuses.

Commissioner Quick will solicit opinions from all commissioners who would like to create a process through EXEC and come back to FYC. Staff will put this item on the agenda

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

There is no public comment. Commissioner Quick motions to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Alameri. Motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. February 3rd, 2020

[\(Document A\)](#)

There is no public comment. Commissioner Quick: on page 4 please edit with NAYE.

Commissioner Alameri motions to approve the minutes with the amendments mentioned, seconded by Commissioner Hirji.

The motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)

Commissioner Cheung introduces Michelle Li, OAC seat 2. Sophomore at Lowell high school, found out about OAC through an interview with Dori, wanted to be more involved with the community, involved with youth mojo and do more and give back, wanted to do more and try something new. Passionate about students learning more resources, through youth mojo - healing in our hands and won more money for schools, that victory really boosted my confidence in helping my community.



Asja Steeves, Police Department, Chief Assistant, brief update on the KYRs brochure and have had conversations with their version and say hello. Commissioner Jones will be the alternate with Commissioner Asfaw. The brochure came out in 2008, updated in January 2018 and effected in April. Brand new version with 96 ordinance. DPA has their own KYR brochure and youth feedback session to do your KYRs brochure and invite them for feedback questions and would like to sit and how SFPD can help for our group.

5. Legislation Referred from the Board of Supervisors (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

There was no legislation.

6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. [Input + Decision] YAD 2020 Presentation

Presenter: Monica Flores, DCYF
(Document B)

Presenters: Monica Flores and Colin Kimzey are here to share updates on YAD.

Agenda:

- Goals
- Program Overview
- Issue Areas and Guests
- Youth Leaders
- Questions

2020 theme: political participation. Youth have ways to make their voices heard even without the power to vote.

Youth Advocacy Day Pitch: we are the city is an all-day event that celebrates, cultivates, and amplifies the power of SF's youth to make change in our city. On Tuesday, May 12th we invite youth to come through and participate.

YAD 2020 Goals:

- Safe space for all attendees
- opportunity to highlight past/current work
- opportunity to engage meaningfully with public officials
- fun experience for all youth
- supports/honors existing campaigns

Program Overview:



Time	Program	Location
8:30 - 9:15	Registration and Inspiration Stations	
9:15 - 9:30	Opening Ceremony	
9:30 - 9:45	Enter City hall	
9:45 - 10:15	light court breakfast	
10:15 - 12 pm	skill building workshops	
12 - 1:15	lunch + meet and greet with public officials	
1:30 - 2:20	hot seat discussion i	
2:30 - 3:20	hot seat discussion ii	
3:20 - 4:30 pm	after party + meet + greet with public officials	

Hot seat discussions:

- flipping the “panel” dynamic: 2 - 3 public officials in the “hot seat’ listening to and answering questions from youth
- leaders of depts related to 5 issue areas with different (sometimes conflicting) roles
- community moderators will help guide discussion toward major problems youth face

Issue Areas & Guests: sent in the last week, confirmations are rolling in
Justice - Chesa boudin, Katy miller

Transportation: Jeff Tumlin, Lateefah Simon

Housing: Jeff Kositsky, Judson True, Dan Adams

Policing And Immigration: Bill Scott, Manohar Raju

Culture And Gentrification: Joaquin Torres, Shakirah Simley, Julia Sabory

Youth Leaders:

- will facilitate the mornings small group skill building workshops
- recruiting 25 youth leaders from yc, dcyf university, former yad participations, dcyf programs
- commit to 2 workshops/planning meetings, dress rehearsal, and day of participation



Commissioner Ginsburg walked in late at 5:32 PM

Commissioner Cureton summarizes asks:

- recruit youth leaders when applications come
- selecting moderators/community experts for hot seats

Questions:

Commissioner Hylton: moderators are you looking for adults or youth?

Monica Flores: either work, the idea is leveraging YC as a liaison for community organizations because of DCYF current role as a granter, you know who is doing the work given the campaign and priorities

Commissioner Santos: what is the process look like and equitable resources to be able to speak to the issues? and compensation for members?

Monica Flores: hours and compensations, estimated \$300 15 hours worth of training. process is still being determined using past processes as a reference point, in the application hope to solidify dates as accountability - make sure we have dedicated and committed 25 youth. Hope to have info session and interview process, there are folks that are better in applications and some that are better in person - I want to make sure there are date time and place for young people to check out and can understand the lift and get the information.

Commissioner Cureton: the date changes reflect the light court reservation but what about the testing schedule such as AP exams. there will be a turn out but there are SAT or AP exams that some folks

Monica Flores: not to that level just knew it's a time before school ends. we hope to do this in outreach - i know that public, private and charter schools are different - if you can generate discussion to get teachers bringing young people out as a fieldtrip, we can provide outreach and promotional materials, and we hope to bring an endorsement from SFUSD BOE and superintendents. i want to have different forms of permission slips to break barriers from attendance.

Internal Discussion:

Hylton: have specific - assign the task of bringing moderators within committee,

TJ: Justice/Policing and immigration

HLU: transportation, housing, culture and gentrification

March 3rd, deadline to get back to monica

Commissioner Jones: March 2nd is FYC, come March 3rd.

Commissioner Nassiri: CEC will have a role in Vote16 during YAD.

Commissioner Chueng: Staff can you please call item 7a?



B. [Inform + Input] Presentation Regarding a Mental Health App
Presenter: Max Savage, Co-Founder of Atlas Mental Health Inc.

Presenter is not present. There is no public comment.

7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Inform + Decision] Motion No.1920-AL-08 [Motion to Support Letter for Valeria Thais Suarez Rojas, CIYJA Organizer from Deportation]
Sponsor: Commissioner Santos, Asfaw, & Chan
(Document C)

With motions, given the urgency of this matter we can pass during a first reading.

Commissioner Santos reads the letter into record.

Questions:

Commissioner Quick: in providing refuge for all people, and putting youth commission after the TJ committee, can we say the but not only Youth Commission and speaking on behalf of the whole city is it because of sanctuary city - we can separate it a little. we can say it as a body of the youth commission as the sanctuary city.

Commissioner Quick: as a chartered body as the youth commission.

Commissioner Jones: do we need the TJ if we didn't approve it in TJ, you are in the TJ committee - there are two members in the committee

Commissioner Hylton: approve - without tj

Commissioner Jones: we haven't voted on it, and if fyc is supporting it anyway we can support it as a separate committee

Staff Hosmon: in alignment with rules are - as the TJ hasn't itself taken a vote in full body, you can say the fyc supports this and it's important to us as the TJ is related to the issue of this concern. The TJ committee will keep an eye on this and make it happen on this

Commissioner Quick: I would like to say having FYC approve with TJ - that makes more sense, but writing in committees, no override, set bad precedent down the road.

Commissioner Cureton: two members of the TJ committee come from the SF youth commission and amend the sentence in the sub-committee.



Commissioner Santos: 2 members of urgency and logistics - TJ has talked about in terms of our committee and comm - rep of tj technicality, necessarily doesn't matter again most likely pass - precedent TJ support it and the process relates to issue based committee, and HLU with tay navigation center and researched

with time sensitive, whoever can try to do it knowing that TJ has worked on this in general beef up to YC

Commissioner Quick: agree with rationale, i worry slightly from just a how the commission functions, if we start to inflate what is happening in the committee, we can keep this in mind to have separate options

Commissioner Cureton: the label doesn't make too much of a committee, let us know but if you're not a member of the committee

Commissioner Alameri: rise acronym - after Rising Immigrant Scholars through Education

Commissioner Santos: logistics, taken from the template, i appreciate the feedback - nitpicky - sincerely and Commissioner Jones and Hylton taking out the Transformative Justice, general content want feedback.

Amendments we heard on our end:

- para 1, Separating youth commission as youth commission and the city and county of sf
 - providing refuge in
- para 2, delete TJ,
 - as the youth commission, had the transformative justice committee history of advocating for
- para: Rise
- ending - taking out the transformative justice committee from sincerely

There is no public comment. Commissioner Hylton motion to approve motion with amendments, seconded by Commissioner Nassiri. The motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

- B. [Inform + Decision] Proposed 2019-2020 Youth Commission Bylaw Amendment Regarding Formalizing the Process for Youth Seat Recommendations
Sponsor: Commissioner Quick, Legislative Affairs Officer
(Document D)

Commissioner Quick reads into the record. Commissioner Quick explains that subsection (g) and (h) came from our communication.

Questions:

Commissioner Alameri: getting section b?

commissioner quick: just the youth advocacy council



Commissioner Hirji: is it the appointing authority - scratched.

Staff Hosmon: if exec does make a recommendation, if fyc rejects then transfer of responsibility on the lift for outreach

Commissioner Alameri motions to approve of the bylaws as stated in the record, seconded by Commissioner Cureton.

The motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

- C. [Second Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-09 Fare Evasions – Inclusivity and Accessibility – Muni Youth Lifeline Discount Fast Pass Program
Sponsor: Commissioners Ty, Santos, & Asfaw
(Document E)

Commissioner Asfaw reads the resolution into record.

Questions:

Commissioner Ginsburg - technical question on the 3rd page line 4 - therefore, be it or is it an and, be it. - now AND

7 - 8, is it a whereas or resolved clause based on demanding - FURTHER RESOLVED

Commissioner Quick: 5 -8, we urge and phrasing both as a **resolved** clause

line 6, 8 : And be it

Commissioner Jones: can we vote on it?

Staff Hosmon: not substantive, can vote on it

Commissioner Jones: we are calling people to do things, what is the process to get that happen?

Commissioner Santos: with boe, meet with boe on the weekend - stevon cook, reaching out to dhsh and orgs that work with that, for sfusd

Staff Hosmon: going to sfusd - will be harder, student advisory council, but if you got an in you can do both, sac may not be the best route when asked and requested,

Commissioner Jones: meeting have public moment

Commissioner Cureton: they feed their committee



Commissioner Hylton: page 2, last whereas clause - line 22 - fine prices increasing, employment is going up and fare prices is going up, hard claim to make - confusion versus correlation and causation, more clarification in the clause,

Commissioner Versace: pg 3 5 - 6, and line 18 -20, what are the differences if it's a resolved clause?

Commissioner Hirji: sending an sfpd officer to do fare officer to evasion to do, so to not address sfmta they should handle flier

Commissioner Alameri: same confusion, resolved

Commissioner Hirji: if this is aiming to TAY than youth legislation, i'm not totally - something about the bureau of labor statistics, what's the reasoning to include people in schools and adult fares, slightly confused how with adult fares

Commissioner Santos: higher unemployment rates and increase fares, how do you pay for fares if you have a job, you have tay and not be employed, wealth gap,

Staff Hosmon: suggestion for youth focus, whereas young people work and the us bureau statistics

Commissioner Cheung: pg 4, line 2, Clipper - capitalized

Commissioner Dong: pg 3, line 11 - given **and**, must inform broken up

Commissioner Quick: pg 3, 5-8, Resolved as that fare evasions is a non-violent act, the YC urges, SFPD officers to stop giving fare evasions citations as SFPD office time can be spent

and be it further resolved, that the YC urges SFMTA to provide the youth lifeline pass, free of charge, to qualifying youth to allow SFUSD to...
things stay the same on like 4.

Staff Hosmon: including on page 1, line 12: ages of TAY - need by noon tomorrow

Commissioner Cureton: can you share this with us?

Commissioner Quick: I can help with edits.

Commissioners Quick, Cureton, Ginsburg, Versace can all support with edits.

Public comment: line 5 - URGING polices and procedures adding to SFPD, revision of policies and procedures will get SFPD and DPA onboard, procedures will get accountability to add on it - all the policy bodies involved



Commissioner Jones: TJ presentation to Police commission once a month, will get it to that

Public comment is now closed.

Commissioner Quick motion to approve with amendments as stated in record, second by Commissioner Versace. Motion passes by a vote of acclamation.

8. **Committee Reports (Discussion Only)**

a. Executive Committee

a. LAO

Preston introduced legislation about free muni for all TAY NAV Center Legislation by D6 was heard in committee, Commissioner Quick & Cureton spoke at PC, working with Sup. staff to include our position. The committee is hearing this again because other Supervisors have other amendments.

b. Comms

Move onto staff profiles, move into meeting with CBOs, austin is creating template and brochure ready. End of the year celebration, traveling and verbalize it to comms - tentative dates

c. General Committee Updates

Consistently tracking attendance and when reach capped limit of 3 excused, one exec will notify via email.

b. Civic Engagement

met with the d11 youth board and discussed vote16 in ballot and finalized template for emails to CBOs and we've follow up with supervisors regarding status for Vote16. CEC has a quick check in about stakeholder meetings.

c. Housing and Land Use

grand challenge workshop coming in march and looking for a venue, suggestions that might help us, somcan community meeting help show up, lowell peer resources 29 - survey of experiences follow, alameri will check in with june jordan students

d. Transformative Justice

4 presentations oac, police commission, hrc, juvenile probation commission on the omnibus budget priorities, in meeting community roundtable with reentry council and public defender's office, fare evasion resolution, will be doing a social justice at LWHS in april

e. OCOF

nothing to report

9. **Staff Report (Discussion Only)**

community outreach logistics and processes -



budget and finance committee - practice sessions this thursday and next tuesday, will be going over everything you need and cmte presentation on wednesday 3:30 - 4:30pm,

mid year check ins with Staff Estrada.

fragrant sensitive, not wear cologne or strong scents, airflow is difficult

staff communicating through phone and passing notes, remind in bylaws no phone out unless emergency, via post-it in writing

access need for writing

faster if people read it in weekly internal, making suggestions beforehand - 2nd reading, grammatical error - i think you meant this department, suggest those changes before hand and we would get the most up to date and that way we can get people's time and energy and tight turn around,

staff negotiating on the Youth Commission budget, go through the entire budget and part of negotiation and i'm using this great language, that YC will have more money, we can get you food for every meeting that you have.

3/20 - Commissioners Alameri & Chan

Sro training sfpd - 2/27 10 - 12pm: cureton and jones

10. **Announcements (This Includes Community Events)**

Commissioner Quick: d5 3/14, hylton, asfaw and quick are doing a d5 youth forum - help out and elt us know, who go to school in D5, doing a lot of outreach and send them our way

Commissioner Cureton: D4 lunar new year celebration - khatab, cheung, nassiri, cureton

29R campaign

Commissioner Jones: public defender would like to meet friday 11:30, Commissioner Cureton would like to attend

Staff: big key players please let us know as soon as possible.

11. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.