



San Francisco Youth Commission Minutes

Monday, May 21, 2018

5:15 pm-8:00 pm

City Hall, Room 416

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Elsie Lipson, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Lisa Yu, Conna Chen, Arianna Nassiri, Mary Claire Amable, Kristen Tam, Paola Robles Desgarenes, Mampu Lona, Mike'l Gregory, Jarrett Mao, Jonathan Mesler, Chiara Lind, Felix Andam, Zak Franet, Owen Hoyt, Bahlam Vigil

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 5:18 PM by Vice Chair Yu. Staff commenced roll call, yielding the following results. Commissioners absent: Nassiri, Amable, Gregory, Lind, and Vigil. Commissioners present: Lipson, Marshall-Fricker, Yu, Chen, Tam, Desgarenes, Lona, Mao, Mesler, Andam, Franet, and Hoyt. Staff present: Kiely Hosmon and Naomi Fierro. Motion to approve all absences by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Tam. Approved by vote of acclamation. There was no public comment.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Motion to approve the agenda by Commissioner Mesler, seconded by Commissioner Hoyt. Approved by vote of acclamation. There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. May 7, 2018
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Motion to approve the minutes by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Chen. Approved by vote of acclamation. There was no public comment.

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)

There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

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

A. BOS File No. 180401 [Charter Amendment - Hearing on Senior Pedestrian Injuries and Fatalities, and Targeted Implementation of Vision Zero Improvements]

Sponsor: Yee

Presenter: Youth Commission Staff

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Correction: The two items under item 5 are not charter amendments.



Director Hosmon: This process of legislation referred is similar to the gang injunctions hearing legislation referred by Supervisor Fewer's office. No staff from either of the Sponsoring offices was able to present today. Therefore, this presentation will be to take action and either vote in support, not support, or take no position on this legislation. We want your suggestions, comments, and questions on this legislation to be included on the record before these hearings take place.

Supervisor Yee is sponsoring a Hearing on Senior Pedestrian Injuries and Fatalities, and Targeted Implementation of Vision Zero Improvements. So this is being referred to us, as the Youth Commission, Youth Commission staffed asked them to refer this to us even though it says that they are focusing on Seniors because we know that the BPPs that were just published are focused on this similar issue. Now is the opportunity to bring up questions like: Does this impact young people? Do we have any questions, comments, or suggestions that should be on the record for this particular hearing? Your comments will be put into a memo that will go to the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

Commissioner Franet: By saying "Yes" we are saying yes to support them having a hearing?
Director Hosmon: Yes.

Commissioner Tam: I have a question: Is it only senior focused due to seniors being the highest number of fatalities? Or are they trying to take into account youth injuries and fatalities, too?

Hosmon: As a Commission you can recommend that they include numbers that impact young people. You can think and take more ownership. You can say: why is this only on seniors, we are curious? Your chartered duties are to advise the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors on the unmet needs of children, youth, and their families in San Francisco. So your comments and questions will go to the entire Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, and the Public Safety Committee. It will be on the record. I also want to mention that they hearings are not scheduled yet. There is the potential of item B happening over the summer, and there is no guarantee that they will happen in the afternoon. When we do receive more information, staff will invoke the Board rule that requests the meeting after school hours as to make it accessible to young people. In case they do not agree to host this hearing after school, and you cannot attend, then you will already be on the record with statements that reflect young people's perspective.

Tam: I have a comment then. I think we should include the youth into the target implementation of vision zero improvements.

Yu: I would also like to add onto that comment. Seniors and children are one of the most vulnerable populations when it comes to pedestrian injuries and fatalities.

No public comment.

Motion to support the hearing by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker and seconded by Commissioner Tam. Approved by vote of acclamation. The motion passes.

B. BOS File No. 180396 [Charter Amendment - Hearing on Work Group to Re-Envision the Jail Project - Annual Report]

Sponsor: Breed

Presenter: Youth Commission Staff

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Breed called for this hearing at the same time as Yee called for the previous item. Understanding that with our recent presentation to the Budget and Finance Committee on our Budget and Policy Priorities and that concerns are arising in the community, people are wondering what is happening with 850 Bryant and would like to follow up on those issues. This is a request to have the working group, the sheriff's department, the department of public health and the taxpayer advocates update the BOS. Are there comments, questions, or concerns that should be on the record regarding this particular hearing?

Vice Chair Yu: I would like to request that this hearing be after school, and I forgot to say that for the last item as well. It would be fortunate for youth that perhaps work in the morning or attend summer school to attend this hearing.

There was no public comment.

Motion to support by Commissioner Franet, and seconded by Commissioner Hoyt. Approved by vote by acclamation. The item passes with no opposition.

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

A. Presentation on the San Francisco Public Library's youth programming for Summer 2018
Presenters: Ileana Pulu, Youth Development Coordinator; and Fran Matthew, Volunteer & Outreach Coordinator for SFPL
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Hi, I am Fran Matthew, the Volunteer Coordinator at the Library. Thank you for having us at your meeting today. We are here to present to you some of the work we do with youth, adults, families, basically everyone in San Francisco. The first few slides is a summary of the training we give to some of our volunteers. The first want to ground our Summer Squad and YELL volunteers in why libraries are so important and relevant in the days of the internet.

First want to ensure that everyone has access to information regardless of income or language. We also want to gather community in a safe way so that may access this rich source of information. We have free stuff for everything. Everything we do is paid for by our wonderful taxpayers. We have books, e-material, serious material and fun material, we have free tickets to things through our Discover and Go program, we have online and in-person homework help for high school and college kids, we also have a recording studio and maker's space in our teen center called the Mix. There are a couple of other PSAs on YouTube and the Library website that highlight Summer Stride and SFUSD student access to a library card.

My name is Ileana Pulu and I am the Youth Development Coordinator. We want to thank you for the work you do, and say that we definitely look to you as advocates. We also want your feedback on our programs. You are about to see a PSA about the Mix.

In the wake of all the Facebook issues that are coming up, we want to emphasize that at the Library, we are an island of privacy. We don't track your information.

From May 19th to August 19th we ask youth to spend their summer learning through a program called summer stride. This is to prevent the effects of summer slide, which means that academic progress during the school year can be lost if students do not engage in some intellectual activities. After 20 hours of reading, we award participants over the summer.



YELL stands for Youth Engaged in Library Leadership. This program is in its second year. There are three goals: for youth to participate in skill building workshops, life skills workshops, and STEM workshop. There are six sites and youth who participate can receive a 500 dollar college scholarship by completing the program. We have expanded to 6 sites from 5 last year. We are looking to expand to 10 sites. We would love your feedback, if you are in any of those neighborhoods, on whether or not these stem learning programs are helpful.

There are weekly raffles for Summer Stride. We have golden state warriors tickets and a new golden state warriors card. We are also proud of our partnerships with the National Parks service and the Alamo Draft House.

We would ultimately like feedback either now or at a later meeting after the summer to see if this is actually meeting the needs of youth or any changes you would like to see made.

Commissioner Franet: I just want to thank you for coming to present. I am a big fan of the public library and I attend some of the community events at the main library. Not everyone on this body is a teenager, so what programming is available for TAY?

Ileana: There is a remix at the Mix on Tuesday mornings and Spritely on Sundays on the third floor that offers a craft. There is a committee to help that programming.

Commissioner Franet: Are you still looking for someone to serve on that committee? I used to be the representative, but I had to step back.

Ileana: I can ask and get back to you.

Commissioner Andam: I like the Mix. Thank you.

Commissioner Tam: I also grew up using the libraries and am interested in attending some of these events now as well. I would suggest doing a brief survey after each activity to see if youth believe these activities should be continued or not.

Ileana: We also understand that there is competition for Youth time.

There was no public comment.

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

A. Leave of Absence Request for May 3 - June 3, 2018 for Commissioner Bahlam Vigil

There is no public comment.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Andam, seconded by Commissioner Hoyt. Approved by vote of acclamation.

The item passes with no opposition.

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

- a. There was no quorum, so the meeting was cancelled. Commissioner Yu had a phone call with Kiely to review agenda for today. Still your charted duty.



- B. Housing, Environment and City Services Committee
 - a. Mostly talked about the annual report and received a letter of support by Recreation and Parks Department on POPOS.
- C. Justice and Employment Committee
 - a. The meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum. Commissioner Gregory and Commissioner Mesler worked on the annual report instead of meeting. We had a meeting today with the California Judicial Council to effect large scale change for superior courts and collaborative courts.
- D. Civic Engagement and Immigration Committee
 - a. Meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum.
- E. Our Children Our Family Council
 - a. Commissioner Desgarenes was sworn in today. They have 5-6 goals that they want to work on over the next five years. They range from housing to health to education. It was overwhelming. Commissioner Desgarenes commented on how she appreciates the work, and offered her life experience as testament to the need for urgency. That housing cannot wait 5 years. Additionally, the director of Larkin Street Youth Services was there and called them out on the lack of TAY programming. The Director also brought up TAY who are not in school and not housed. What about them. She was direct in her comments so that they can understand what she lives every day. Commissioner Desgarenes also recommends opening the space to more youth. They are making decisions that will affect children and youth, yet this Commissioner reported being the only youth in the room.

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- 4 full youth commission meetings left through July, considering we take a legislative recess in August. Staff expects to know if you have summer plans that conflict with our regularly scheduled meetings. Although we are not necessarily writing legislation right now, we are still hearing from the community regarding potential campaigns and legislation for next year. Your voices are crucial in shaping this legislation now.
- June 20th will be the last meeting Commissioner Andam will attend.
- June 4th will start a leave for Commissioner Tam and that date Commissioner Franet will have to miss.
- Commissioner Hoyt will follow up via email with conflicts.
- May 23rd and June 6th Commissioner Chen will not be able to attend the CEI meetings due to graduation.
- Annual Report reminders.
- Celebrations in committee and as a commission.
- Youth applicant interviews are May 30 – June 1. Commissioners Desgarenes, Hoyt, Mesler, Chen, Lona, Franet, and Tam agreed to help interview candidates.
- There is a push over the summer on police reform and alternatives to policing with Coleman Advocates for Youth. This effort is going to focus on a MOU with SFUSD and how school resource officers interact with young people on campus.
- Reminder that June 13th gang injunction hearing at 4 PM. This is a good opportunity to speak in public comment.

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)



August will be your recess.
Carnaval is happening this weekend in District 9.
Commissioner Hoyt will have another band show.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 PM.