San Francisco Youth Commission
Minutes - Draft
Monday, November 6, 2017
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.


1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Meeting called to order at 5:17pm by Vice Chair Yu in place of Chair Lind.

Commissioners Paola Robles Desgarennes is still on a leave of absence. Commissioner Mampu Lona and Commissioner Chiara Lind, are seeking approved absences for giving advance notice to staff. Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Mao, motioned to approve these as excused absences. The motion was approved by acclamation.

There was quorum.

Staff present: Leah LaCroix, Kiely Hosmon

Chair Yu informed the Commission that youth from Urban Legend would be taking pictures for their project.

No public comment.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Tam, moved to approve the agenda. The motion was approved by acclamation. There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. October 16, 2017
(Document A)
Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Amable, motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed by acclamation.

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

3 Commissioners from Oakland Youth Commission are here to watch and learn.

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

   A. BOS File No. 171138 - [Administrative Code - Indigenous Peoples Day]
      Sponsor: Supervisor Cohen
      Presenter: Leah LaCroix, Youth Commission Staff
      (Document B)

      Normally we would have aides or supervisors come and speak on behalf of legislation but this time it will be staff. For the most part city staff would still get this day off it would just be a name change.

      Questions/comments:
      Commissioner Andam-what are we doing with this legislation? Per your chartered duties you are to vote. 3 positions: motion to support, motion to not support, or no position at all. After you vote, YC staff then send a memo to the board with YC comments and motion.

      Commissioner Andam: Does the public see the votes? Yes

      No public comment.

      Commissioner Franet, seconded by Commissioner Gregory motion to support changing the name of Columbus Day to Indigenous People’s Day.

      Comments:
      Commissioner Vigil-finally SF will be behind Indigenous people and what is right
      Commissioner Andam-can folks who have private business still celebrate Columbus day? All communication of city of SF would recognize it as Indigenous people’s day so businesses or schools are left to their own decision of how to name the day.

      Commissioner Yu-only mentions city dept and employees, would think others would have own way to handle naming.

      The motion passed by acclamation.

   B. BOS File No. 171167 - [Urging the Federal Government to Extend Temporary Protected Status for All Nations Currently Under the Program]
      Sponsors: Supervisors Ronen; Fewer, Tang, Kim, Safai, Cohen, Yee, Sheehy
      Presenter: Leah LaCroix, Youth Commission Staff
      (Document C)
This resolution is urging the Federal Govt to extend protected status to nations under the program. This is calling attention to a number of residents in CA and SF who benefit from this program.

No questions. No public comment

Commissioner Amable, seconded by Commissioner Nassiri, motioned to support extending temporary status for all nations currently under the program.

Questions/Comments:
Commissioner Andam-urging federal govt, means Trump to make it as a law or executive order? This would encourage programs and permanent pathways to those who are currently under temporary status.

Motion passes with a majority vote with one nay vote from Commissioner Andam.

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

   A. Presentation: Youth Commission Elevator Pitch Training
      Presenter: Kiely Hosmon, Youth Commission Staff

      Staff led Commissioners in a practice session of how to talk confidently about the Youth Commission.

   B. Presentation: Voter Pre-Registration Outreach Training
      Presenter: Civic Engagement and Immigration Committee

      The Civic Engagement and Immigration Committee led a training to the Commissioners on how to do voter registration with a specific target of getting 16 & 17 year olds to pre register.

      Commissioner Gregory will help outreach to College Track.
      Commissioner Vigil will connect with Coleman Advocates and CJ.
      Commissioner Amable will reach out to SOMCAN.

      Another training for youth on Wednesday, November 8th in room 345, however, will actually be in room 278 at 4:30pm.

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

   A. Leave of Absence Request for October 23-December 4, 2017 for Commissioner Mampu Lona

      Commissioner Lona is grieving the loss of his brother with his family so requesting leave of absence.

      Commissioner Gregory, seconded by Commissioner Vigil, motion to approve Commissioner Lona’s leave of absence. No public comment.

      The motion was passed by acclamation.
B. Motion to allow Commissioner Lona to temporarily step down from Executive Officer role and to have only one Youth Commission Outreach and Communications Officer until December 2017
   Sponsor: Executive Committee

The EC have decided not to reopen this up due to lack of interest based off the last meeting.

Commissioner Nassiri, seconded by Commissioner Gregory, motioned to allow Commissioner Lona to step down and to have only one Outreach and Communication officer until December.

No public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation.

C. [Second Reading] Resolution 1718-AL-04 [Resolution to Support the Erection of the Comfort Women Statue in St. Mary’s Square]
   Sponsor: Commissioner Jarrett Mao
   (Document D)

Resolution read into the record for a second time.

Edits:
Commissioner Amable-didn’t find info for this but would like first page line 16 to emphasize a number for Pilipinas and Chinese women who were also affected. Commissioner Mao-Koreans were most affected so that’s why he only has those numbers in. Commissioner Amable-if I give you that number can we put it in? Yes.

Commissioner Amable-likes that we included an experience of someone. Can we include two more personal experiences? Staff-if edits would change resolution so much that it seems like it would be different then there should be another reading to come before the Commission.

Commissioner Andam-line 23 page 1 victim should have an “s”.

Commissioner Franet-missing some grammar and punctuation stuff. Bigger stuff-doesn’t like the word victim, would prefer survivor instead. Is a defining word and would recommend changing that word.

Commissioner Franet-7-10 on page 1 the sentence doesn’t read so well. Choppy transition for this part. Make two separate sentences or two clauses. On page 1 lines 23-25 also doesn’t read well and also choppy.

Commissioner Franet-page 2 lines 9-10 would change ‘like’ to ‘by’. In resolved clauses suggests a synonym for encourage so as to not use it twice.

Commissioner Yu-thanks to Commissioner Mao for writing this up and doing the research. For any Commissioners who asked to help please help out with the research.

Commissioner Mao will make the edits and hold off on voting to support until the next meeting since edits are substantial.

No public comment.

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)
A. Executive Committee

Holiday party discussion-wants to see if folks want to do that. Haven't decided when/where but getting sense of who is interested. Folks seem interested so if anyone is interested please bring ideas to EC. More info to come at next meeting.

Had presentation regarding an intern coalition.

There is now a buddy system so make sure to connect with them if you need anything. Don't have to stick to your buddy but it is your guaranteed check in person and for a way to bond with others who are not in your committees. EC will be contacting you.

B. Housing, Environment and City Services Committee

Kristen and Leah met with head of Dept. of environment and want to have the dept. present to them about what the city is doing to be more environmentally friendly. Solidified they want to work on environmental education in the future.

Supervisor Safai proposed holding a zero waste hearings and HECS writing a letter of support for that.

C. Justice and Employment Committee

Main tasks are review of the TAY court system as well as framing the conversation where inmates are going to be housed when 850 shuts down. Each member has been tasked to research a point of data. Zak has met with Critical Resistance regarding strategies to make voices heard regarding 850 Bryant question. Possible they will present to full YC meeting on the 20th.

D. Civic Engagement Committee and Immigration Committee

Will have training for youth this Wednesday on November 8th in room 278 at 4:30pm. Also had presentation from Jill Fox of Dept of Elections. Had conference call last Thursday to discuss details of the training regarding stipends. Welcome our new intern, Josh Park, who is helping with CEI work.

E. Our Children Our Family Council

No meeting.

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

-MLK Weekend is your mandatory mid year retreat. No excuses.
-Start thinking about your holiday schedules now and who will be able to attend or not:
  Nov 20th full YC meeting:
  Not available: Kristen, Jonny, Conna.
  Maybes: Bahlam and Arianna, Felix.
  Yes-Zak, Lisa, Mary Claire,

  Jan 2-mik’el missing.
- Staff will be reaching out to y’all for mini groups to plan the retreat. Leadership roles are available.
- Youth Advocacy Day-April 26th. The ask is for you to be youth leaders. Lisa was a youth leader last year.
- Weekly Internal—trying to figure out ways to give info without being such large files.
- Coleman Town Hall debrief at 3:30 send notes to Leah so she can give feedback.
- Card is for Oakland Youth Commission and their swear in ceremony. Please sign and give support.

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

   Commissioner Franet—this Wednesday is Larkin Performing Arts night and can give free tickets, starts at 7-8:30pm and 220 Golden Gate.
   Commissioner Vigil—Latinx Ball for Latinx Democratic Club. Costs $25
   Commissioner Mao—CEI can’t leave, please stay after for a check in for Nov. 8th training
   Commissioner Andam—SI Young Republicans is having a debate about kneeling during the national anthem on Veterans Day at 4pm
   Commissioner Amable—big rally in front of federal building

11. Adjournment

   The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.