City and County of San Francisco
YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

Thursday, July 13, 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), Reese Terrell (D3), Maureen Loftus (D4), Hayden Miller (D5), Ann Anish (D7), Yoselin Colin (D9), Vanessa Pimentel (D10), Yena Im (Mayoral), Tyrone S. Hillman III (Mayoral), Safiyyah Mirza (Mayoral).

Present: Ewan Barker Plummer, Gabrielle Listana, Allister Adair, Maureen Loftus, Hayden Miller, Ann Anish, Yoselin Colin, Vanessa Pimentel, Tyrone S. Hillman III.

Absent: Emily Nguyen (excused), Steven Hum (excused), Raven Shaw (excused), Astrid Utting (excused), Chloe Wong (unexcused), Reese Terrell (unexcused), Yena Im (excused), Safiyyah Mirza (unexcused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote access for public comment, on July 13, 2023, with Vice Chair Barker Plummer presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

   Vice Chair Barker Plummer called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

   On the call of the roll:

   Roll Call Attendance: 9 present, 8 absent.

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

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Commissioner Hillman, seconded by Commissioner Anish, motioned to excuse Chair Nguyen and Officer Utting. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

Chloe Wong  absent
Allister Adair  aye
Reese Terrell  absent
Maureen Loftus  aye
Hayden Miller  aye
Gabrielle Listana  aye
Ann Anish  aye
Astrid Utting  absent
Yoselin Colin  aye
Vanessa Pimentel  aye
Ewan Barker Plummer  aye
Steven Hum  absent
Raven Shaw  absent
Yena Im  absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III  aye
Safiyyah Mirza  absent
Emily Nguyen  absent
Action: Chair Nguyen’s and Officer Utting’s absences are excused.

2. Communications

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

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Colin, seconded by Officer Listana, motioned to approve the July 13, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)
   a. June 26, 2023 (Packet Materials)
Commissioner Colin, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve the June 26, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: Minutes Approved.

5. Legislative Affairs Officer Election
   a. Presenter: YC Staff

Vice Chair Barker Plummer explained the process for officer elections. Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to nominate Commissioner Allister Adair for interim LAO. Commissioner Adair gave a speech to take on the interim role of LAO until the end of the term due to Officer Hum and Officer Shaw being absent. Commissioner Adair accepted the nomination. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: Commissioner Adair elected as interim Legislative Affairs Officer.

6. Public Comment on matters not on Today’s Agenda (2 minutes per comment)

No public comment.

7. Review of July 8, 2023 Dolores Park Event Police Response (Discussion and Possible Action Item)
   a. Presenters: YC Staff and Vice Chair Barker Plummer

Vice Chair Barker Plummer handed it off to the Transformative Justice Committee members since they had discussed it earlier this month. Commissioner Anish stated that they were disappointed in the outcome of how SFPD treated the youth at the Dolores Park event.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer highlighted the potential options that the Youth Commission can take to address the situation. Officer Adair said he supports putting out a statement, and Commissioner Miller said that he believes this event should be sanctioned and made safer, since the response by SFPD made the event more safe. Commissioners discussed whether or not a response would be able to be made ready to pass by the next full Youth Commission meeting on Monday, July 17th. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that this would likely be pushed to the following Youth Commission to fully address, but that they can put together a meeting to draft a statement. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said it would be best to find time in the next few weeks to have a meeting with SFPD and other related city departments.
8. **Resolutions** (Discussion and Possible Action)
   a. **[Gun Violence Prevention] Resolution advocating for the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor of San Francisco to implement youth gun violence prevention, particularly in District 10** (First Reading and Possible Action Item)
      i. Presenters: Commissioner Shaw and Commissioner Hillman

      Commissioner Hillman introduced the resolution that he and Officer Shaw worked on together, and read it aloud into the record. Commissioner Loftus asked for clarification regarding the youth demographics. Commissioner Miller asked for clarification around the AI software language in the resolution and his concern of using “Protect Our Students” AI technology, to which Commissioner Hillman said that Officer Shaw wrote that section but that he knows it would be to support youth. Commissioner Miller said they should reach out to Officer Shaw for clarification on that section. Officer Adair asked for clarification around the language about how to best support youth who’ve experienced gun violence, and if there’s any information or examples that could be used to back up the need for mental health support or prevention programs.

   b. **[Permanent Supportive Housing Access for LGBTQ+ Youth] Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco to improve permanent supportive housing access for LGBTQ+ youth** (First Reading and Possible Action Item)
      i. Presenters: Commissioner(s) Listana, Member Rafer; Barker Plummer, Pimentel

      Officer Listana explained the background reasoning of why this resolution is important and what it addresses, and read it aloud into the record. Vice Chair Barker Plummer thanked Officer Listana and gave a shout out to Member Rafer on the LGBTQ+ Task Force for writing the letter.

   c. **[Shelter Conditions for LGBTQ+ Transitional Aged Youth] Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco to improve conditions for LGBTQ+ Transitional Aged Youth in temporary shelters and permanent supportive housing** (First Reading and Possible Action Item)
      i. Presenters: Commissioner(s): Barker Plummer, Pimentel, Listana; Miller, Nguyen

      Vice Chair Barker Plummer, Commissioner Pimentel, and Officer Listana read the resolution aloud and into the record. No discussion.
d. [Memorandum of Understanding Between SFUSD and SFPD] Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco and the San Francisco Unified School District to support the creation of a new Memorandum of Understanding between the District and the Police Department. (First Reading and Possible Action Item)
   i. Presenters: Commissioner(s) Utting, Barker Plummer

Vice Chair Barker Plummer introduced the resolution, explained its background information, and read it aloud into the record. Commissioner Miller brought up the earlier discussions regarding the Dolores Hill skating event, and has concerns and hesitations with creating a new MOU between SFUSD and SFPD. Miller said the interactions between students and police isn’t often about knowing their rights as youth, but rather a demonstration of authority from the police. Vice Chair Barker Plummer responded by saying that there isn’t any legally-binding MOU between SFPD and SFUSD, and that the current situation could be improved by having an agreement. Miller asked what remedies could come from having an agreement, and Barker Plummer said that the only way San Francisco can have trust is by building and establishing it between different community groups. Commissioner Loftus asked a language clarification question.

e. [Lower San Francisco’s Legal Voting Age to 16 Years of Age] Resolution requesting the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to place a Charter Amendment to lower the legal voting age in San Francisco municipal and school district elections on the November 2024 Election ballot. (Second Reading and Possible Action Item)
   i. Presenters: Commissioner(s) Hum, Barker Plummer, Nguyen, Pimentel

Vice Chair Barker Plummer, Commissioner Anish, Commissioner Pimentel, and Officer Listana read the resolution aloud and into the record. Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Loftus, Commissioner Colin, Commissioner Hillman, and Officer Adair asked to be added as co-sponsors. Vice Chair Barker Plummer added that this movement resonates with him now because it is comparable to the circumstances around lowering the voting age to 18 years old several decades ago, and he is excited that San Francisco could become the largest city in the United States to lower the voting age to 16.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Loftus, motioned to approve the resolution with Commissioners Miller, Loftus, Colin, Hillman, and Adair being added as co-sponsors. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

   Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.
Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell absent
Maureen Loftus aye
Hayden Miller aye
Gabrielle Listana aye
Ann Anish aye
Astrid Utting absent
Yoselin Colin aye
Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Steven Hum absent
Raven Shaw absent
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Safiyyah Mirza absent
Emily Nguyen absent

Action: resolution requesting the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to place a Charter Amendment to lower the legal voting age in San Francisco municipal and school district elections on the November 2024 Election ballot approved.

f. [Support for Increasing Funding for Wellness Centers in San Francisco Public Schools] Resolution urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to collaborate with the San Francisco Unified School District to increasing funding for wellness programs, resources, outreach, and education in San Francisco public schools, including more professional development for school staff on wellness practices and frameworks such as healing-centered care, and youth-anchored Peer-to-Peer Counseling (Second Reading and Possible Action Item)
   i. Presenters: Commissioner(s) Hum, Barker Plummer, Nguyen, Pimentel

Commissioner Pimentel and Vice Chair Barker Plummer read the resolution aloud and into the record. Commissioner Miller thanked Commissioner Pimentel for adding the portions he gave feedback on.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Colin, motioned to approve the resolution. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:
Roll Call Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: resolution urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to collaborate with the San Francisco Unified School District to increasing funding for wellness programs, resources, outreach, and education in San Francisco public schools, including more professional development for school staff on wellness practices and frameworks such as healing centered care, and youth-anchored Peer-to-Peer Counseling approved.

g. [School Safety Investments at SFUSD] Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco and the San Francisco Unified School District to release a timeline for the installation of critical school safety measures and provide funding for the installation of school safety measures (Second Reading and Possible Action Item)
   i. Presenters: Commissioner(s) Utting, Barker Plummer

Vice Chair Barker Plummer read the resolution aloud and into the record. Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Anish, motioned to approve the resolution. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.
Chloe Wong absent
Allister Adair aye
Reese Terrell absent
Maureen Loftus aye
Hayden Miller aye
Gabrielle Listana aye
Ann Anish aye
Astrid Utting absent
Yoselin Colin aye
Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Steven Hum absent
Raven Shaw absent
Yena Im absent
Tyrone S. Hillman III aye
Safiyyah Mirza absent
Emily Nguyen absent

Action: resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco and the San Francisco Unified School District to release a timeline for the installation of critical school safety measures and provide funding for the installation of school safety measures approved.

h. [Bikes on Muni Metro] Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to repeal its policy of prohibiting non-folding bicycles on Muni Metro light rail services and allow full-sized bicycles to be transported on Muni Metro trains (Second Reading and Possible Action Item)
   i. Presenters: Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller introduced the resolution, and he recommended to amend the resolution language to include the change that this resolution be implemented once trains can feasibly designate space on light rail vehicles (LRVs) to address Vice Chair Barker Plummer’s concerns. Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Miller, motioned to approve the resolution with the amended language. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) to repeal its policy of prohibiting non-folding bicycles on Muni Metro light rail services and allow full-sized bicycles to be transported on Muni Metro trains approved as amended.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer called for a recess until 7:15pm, and called the meeting back to order at 7:17pm.

9. Motions
   a. Motion to Support Supervisor Melgar’s Prop L Letter - Top Priorities for Transit Safety in District 7
      i. Presenter: Commissioner Anish

Commissioner Anish presented the motion language and read it aloud into the record. Vice Chair Barker Plummer added a grammatical amendment. Vice Chair Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Loftus, motioned to approve the motion to support Supervisor Melgar’s Prop L letter with the grammatical amendment. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 9 ayes, 8 absent.

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

Action: motion to support Supervisor Melgar’s Prop L letter approved.

10. Committee Reports (discussion item)
   a. Executive Committee
      i. Legislative Affairs Officers

      Specialist Zhan said they haven’t had a chance to meet yet since Officer Adair was elected, but that there will be multiple referred legislations at the next full Youth Commission meeting on Monday.

      ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

      Officer Listana said they’ve been working on the advice form, but haven’t been able to meet as of recently. Listana also added that she will post the upcoming posts on social media by Friday.

      iii. General Committee Updates

      No major updates due to not being able to meet recently.

      iv. Bylaws Updates

      Vice Chair Barker Plummer went over the summary of the proposed bylaw amendments that will be on Monday’s agenda.

   b. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee
Commissioner Miller had no updates due to their meeting being canceled.

c. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Loftus said that they had a very brief meeting with updates.

d. Transformative Justice Committee

Commission Colin said that they discussed referred legislation at committee.

e. LGBTQ+ Task Force

Officer Listana said they haven’t met since the last full Commission meeting.

No public comment.

11. Staff Report (discussion item)

Director Esquivel Garcia said she will be out of office on Monday after 9pm, so to direct any questions to Joy and Joshua. She added that there will also be a film crew honoring her for Hispanic Heritage Month at the next full Youth Commission meeting. Specialist Zhan said she is working on summarizing the civic engagement survey conducted by CEEC, and that she hopes the YC has the instagram live to announce their giveaways. Specialist Ochoa said he will be sending out a calendar invitation for the YC Boba Social and Dome Tour for outgoing/incoming commissioners on August 7th.

12. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Commissioner Pimentel said that they’re hosting the District 10 Listening Session on July 20th at the Southeast Community Center to hear about the public’s thoughts on how to distribute the Student Success Fund.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 7:38pm.