

City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

Monday, December 2, 2024 5:00 pm

IN-PERSON MEETING
City Hall, Room 416
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
San Francisco, CA 94102

Youth Commission Membership includes:

Jason Fong (Chair, Mayoral), Gabbie Listana (Vice Chair, D6), Lucas Liang (Leg Affairs Officer, D4), Jin Valencia-Tow (Leg Affairs Officer, D7), Winnie Liao (Comms Officer, D3), Emily Yang (Comms Officer, Mayoral), Clarisse Kim (D1), Camryn Marlow (D2), Ethar Alameri (D5), Harper Fortgang (D8), Skylar Dang (D9), Ikahihifo Paea (D10), Imaan Ansari (D11), Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral), Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral), Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral), Ava Oram (Mayoral).

Present: Jason Fong, Gabbie Listana, Lucas Liang, Jin Valencia-Tow, Winnie Liao, Emily Yang, Clarisse Kim, Camryn Marlow, Ethar Alameri, Harper Fortgang, Skylar Dang, Ikahihifo Paea, Téa Lonné Amir, Eloise Krehlik, Aisha Majdoub, Ava Oram.

Absent: Imaan Ansari (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote viewing on December 2, 2024, with Chair Fong presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Fong called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 16 present, 1 absent.

Clarisse Kim (D1) - present Camryn Marlow (D2) - present Winnie Liao (D3) - present Lucas Liang (D4) - present Ethar Alameri (D5) - present Gabbie Listana (D6) - present Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - present Harper Fortgang (D8) - present Skylar Dang (D9) - present Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - present Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - present Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - present Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - present Ava Oram (Mayoral) - present Emily Yang (Mayoral) - present Jason Fong (Mayoral) - present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Commissioner Alameri, seconded by Commissioner Ansari, motioned to excuse Commissioner Lonné Amir. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent

Clarisse Kim (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Winnie Liao (D3) - aye Lucas Liang (D4) - aye Ethar Alameri (D5) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Skylar Dang (D9) - aye Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - aye Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - ave Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - aye Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye Emily Yang (Mayoral) - aye Jason Fong (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Commissioner Ansari's absence excused.

2. Communications

Joy Zhan, Youth Development Specialist of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Majdoub, seconded by Commissioner Yang, motioned to approve the December 2, 2024 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent

Clarisse Kim (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Winnie Liao (D3) - aye Lucas Liang (D4) - aye Ethar Alameri (D5) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Skylar Dang (D9) - aye Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - aye Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - aye Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - aye Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye Emily Yang (Mayoral) - aye Jason Fong (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. November 18, 2024 (Packet Materials)

Commissioner Dang, seconded by Commissioner Majdoub, motioned to approve the November 18, 2024 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 16 ayes, 1 absent

Clarisse Kim (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Winnie Liao (D3) - aye Lucas Liang (D4) - aye Ethar Alameri (D5) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Skylar Dang (D9) - aye Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - ave Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - aye Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - aye Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye Emily Yang (Mayoral) - aye Jason Fong (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

6. Presentations (discussion & possible action)

- a. Yosemite Slough Neighborhood Adaptation Plan
 - i. Presenter: Danielle Ngo, Senior Planner, Resilience + Sustainability San Francisco Planning Department

Sarah Richardson presented the SF Planning's Yosemite Slough Adaptation Plan.

Commissioner Dang asked how they'll address the homes near the Yosemite Slough when they're working to put the plan in place, to which Richardson said that they'll be working to protect those homes by putting infrastructure that will protect what people value.

Commissioner Fortgang asked if they've seen any main points emerge to their proposals that were notable, to which Richardson said they've taken positive feedback on similar projects in the area in order to implement the direction they're going in for this project.

Officer Liao asked which community organizations they're currently working with, to which Richardson named several organizations that are involved locally, as well as ~10 community ambassadors who are local leaders that give them constructive feedback.

Commissioner Lonné Amir asked if the funding was coming from the granter, to which Richardson said yes.

Officer Yang asked how much of and how effective their outreach has come from youth, to which Richardson said youth outreach has constantly come up as an intention, but that they're expanding their youth outreach since those who often show up to their events are older residents.

Vice Chair Listana asked for clarification on what plans they have for youth outreach, to which Richardson said they're working with the organization BAYCAT to create an informative video that they can spread the word about, as well as reaching out to other organizations like Young Community Developers to include in their efforts. Listana said the Youth Commission can also help spread information about this project.

Chair Fong asked how the community ambassadors are selected, to which Ngo said they used their network to bring targeted voices into the program, as well as those that city staff were familiar with.

Officer Liang asked what times the workshops are available, to which Richardson said they tend to be "after hours" in the evening or at night, and will take place throughout the Bayview neighborhood.

Officer Liao asked if they've done outreach to schools in the nearby neighborhoods, to which Richardson said they haven't. Liao recommended to do outreach that way and to potentially reach out to PTSAs of local schools.

Commissioner Marlow asked if they've reached out to Supervisor Walton's D10 Office, to which Ngo said that they've been busy due to the recent election, but that they've been presented this information three times.

Commissioner Paea said there are organizations that are interested in environmental justice in that region, and that she's happy to connect with them to give them additional feedback. Paea also mentioned that during heavy rainfall, that neighborhood often floods and residents are unable to leave their homes safely.

Officer Yang said that both Communication & Outreach Officers are able to help support with any external communications.

Chair Fong thanked the presenters, and Ngo thanked everyone for their feedback and encouragement that they can now take back. Richardson said they will have a draft by Summer 2025 where they can present to the Youth Commission again.

7. Legislation Referred (discussion & possible action)

- a. BOS File #241038 [Administrative Code Rapid Rehousing Policy]
 Ordinance Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to declare that it is
 City policy to provide up to five years of rapid rehousing assistance to an eligible
 household where the City has assessed the household's circumstances and
 concluded that a shorter-term subsidy will create a risk of returning to
 homelessness; and requiring the Homelessness Oversight Commission to hold
 an annual hearing and issue an annual report analyzing the City's
 implementation of this rapid rehousing policy.(Packet Materials)
 - i. Presenter: Youth Commission Staff and Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Valencia-Tow said the update they got from Supervisor Ronen's D9 Office is that this legislation would increase the city's deficit by \$32 million unless additional funds are allocated. Specialist Zhan said that everyone should take the time to read through the legislation, and gave additional information.

Officer Liang mentioned that the \$32 million is the amount calculated if every family chose a 5-year plan, which is unlikely to happen. Liang added that this project requires more funding as it has not yet been allocated in the city's budget.

Chair Fong asked if they know how much money is available to fund this project, to which Liang said that the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) does not have an estimate as of now. Officer Liang summarized what the Rapid Rehousing Project is and does.

Commissioner Marlow asked what makes someone eligible to be admitted to the RRP, to which Liang said that this targets families who are at risk of falling into homelessness and are eligible through the City's homelessness assessment process. Specialist Zhan added that there's not a guarantee that people will get into RRP, but that it's reliant on the assessment.

Commissioner Majdoub, seconded by Commissioner Oram, motioned to positively recommend BOS File #241038. Discussion:

Officer Yang asked how many families would be affected by the legislation, to which the LAOs responded that it would be approximately hundreds of families.

Commissioner Kim asked Officer Liang if he still stands by his previous statements of this legislation, to which Liang said he doesn't believe it's right to offer the 5-year subsidies if they don't have funding for it. Kim asked if he believes that this program would affect youth, to which Liang said he doesn't believe there are any figures that reflect how many youth this program's expansion would benefit.

Officer Liao asked Officer Liang if there would be cuts to currently offered programming, to which Liang said that HSH does not have an answer to that question at this time.

Officer Liang, seconded by Commissioner Alameri, motioned to have no recommendation on BOS File #241038. Discussion:

Commissioner Kim asked what a no recommendation would do, to which Chair Fong said that it would mean the Youth Commission wouldn't have a stance, but can still add comments or questions.

Vice Chair Listana said she doesn't support a no recommendation motion and supports a positive recommendation, since she believes that this is an important program to help families get the funding they need.

Chair Fong said he believes that the Commission should either take a positive or negative recommendation, and that any motion should have intent towards a vision.

Officer Liang says he believes in the intent of this legislation, but that he is concerned about the consequences of the unfunded mandate that this legislation has.

Officer Liao asked if they should look at the intent of legislation in the future, to which Chair Fong said that they should always look at the intent and not necessarily the finances since it's not the Youth Commission's job to find the City funding for programs.

No public comment. The motion for no recommendation on BOS File #241038 failed by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 11 nays, 1 absent

Clarisse Kim (D1) - nay
Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye
Winnie Liao (D3) - aye
Lucas Liang (D4) - aye
Ethar Alameri (D5) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - nay
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - nay
Harper Fortgang (D8) - nay
Skylar Dang (D9) - nay
Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - nay
Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent

Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - nay Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - nay Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - aye Ava Oram (Mayoral) - nay Emily Yang (Mayoral) - nay Jason Fong (Mayoral) - nay

Action: Motion to have no recommendation on BOS File #241038 fails, with Commissioners Kim, Listana, Valencia-Tow, Fortgang, Dang, Paea, Lonné Amir, Krehlik, Oram, Yang, and Fong in dissent.

Commissioner Kim said that there's a frustrating lack of clear information on this legislation, but that they should give comments to have this clarified to be able to successfully implement the intent of the legislation.

No public comment. The motion for a positive recommendation on BOS File #241038 with comments passed by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 12 ayes, 4 nays, 1 absent

Clarisse Kim (D1) - ave Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Winnie Liao (D3) - nay Lucas Liang (D4) - nay Ethar Alameri (D5) - nay Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Skylar Dang (D9) - aye Ikahihifo Paea (D10) - aye Imaan Ansari (D11) - absent Téa Lonné Amir (Mayoral) - aye Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye Aisha Majdoub (Mayoral) - nay Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye Emily Yang (Mayoral) - aye Jason Fong (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Motion to positively recommendation on BOS File #241038 passes, with Commissioners Liao, Liang, Alameri, and Majdoub in dissent.

8. Committee Reports (discussion item)

a. Executive Committee

i. Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Liang asked everyone to attend the Youth Budget Community Forum this upcoming Wednesday at 4:30pm, and asked people to get there at 4pm. Officer Valencia-Tow said they'd be doing an introduction to the YC, and discuss budget priorities through an interactive activity.

Officer Liao asked if attendees can be divided by district, to which other commissioners and staff said that they will not be, but staff will be collecting what neighborhoods the attendees come from.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Liao said to stay after the meeting to take a picture to promote the Youth Budget Community Forum on social media.

iii. General Committee Updates

No updates due to the holiday week.

- 1. Youth Commission Attendance
- b. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Kim gave committee updates.

c. Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee

Commissioner Fortgang gave committee updates.

d. Transformative Justice Committee

Commissioner Lonné Amir gave committee updates.

9. Roll Call and Introductions (discussion item)

Roll call for introduction of resolutions, requests for hearings, letters of inquiry, and Commissioners' reports on their Commission-related activities.

a. Presenters: Commissioner Paea, Commissioner Marlow, Commissioner Majdoub, Commissioner Oram, Commissioner Listana, Commissioner Ansari, Commissioner Yang, and Commissioner Liang.

Commissioner Paea said she's working on an internship podcast project and invited everyone to participate on this project. Paea is also working on a youth summit on political education, which she'll provide the information for soon.

Commissioner Marlow said she's been talking with students at her school about sexual harassment, and gotten input on how to address it. She also emailed her chosen CBO, but they haven't responded yet.

Commissioner Majdoub said she's been communicating with her chosen CBO and she'll be meeting with staff next week on ways to collaborate.

Commissioner Oram said she talked to family members during the holiday break about San Francisco politics, she emailed her chosen CBO, and is setting up a meeting with them soon.

Commissioner Listana said she attended the Great Hauntway event, and has been talking to other youth about environmental and climate education. Listana added that her and Chair Fong are looking into CalAcademy regarding the recent disbanding of their Youth Climate Advocacy group due to union efforts at the California Academy of Science.

Commissioner Ansari is absent.

Commissioner Yang said she met with their chosen CBO and discussed how to better provide mental health services for transitional-aged youth, and she was able to get in contact with a specialist who focuses on environmental education that she's working with Vice Chair Listana on. Yang is also looking into an effort to include climate education into the SFUSD curriculum.

Commissioner Liang said he has been able to write two op-eds about the recent elections locally, statewide, and federally.

b. Other Legislative Introductions

No legislative introductions.

10. Staff Report (discussion item)

Specialist Ochoa said he hopes everyone had a great holiday season with family and friends, to remind friends and community members about the Youth Community Budget Forum this upcoming Wednesday since we only have 4 RSVPs, and said he would be sending a special newsletter tomorrow morning.

Specialist Zhan said her report is the same as Specialist Ochoa's.

11. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

Commissioner Fortgang said she had a great meeting

Specialist Ochoa encouraged everyone to send community events that they see so it can be shared with everyone

Specialist Zhan let commissioners know to meet with their CBO if they haven't already.

Commissioner Alameri said she met with her chosen CBO recently.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 6:35pm.

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