



**City and County of San Francisco
YOUTH COMMISSION
LGBTQ+ Task Force**

MINUTES

**Tuesday, May 23, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS

Members: Gabbie Listana (Chair, D6), Vanessa Pimentel (Vice Chair, D10), Ewan Barker Plummer (Member, Mayoral), Oz Rafer (Member, Non-Voting), Cole Tao (Member, Non-Voting).

Present: Gabbie Listana, Vanessa Pimentel, Ewan Barker Plummer, Oz Rafer, Cole Tao.

Absent: None.

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's LGBTQ+ Task Force met in-person with remote access for public comment, on May 23, 2023, with Chair Listana presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Listana called the meeting to order at 5:44pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 3 present.

Vanessa Pimentel present
Ewan Barker Plummer present
Gabbie Listana present

A quorum of the LGBTQ+ Task Force membership was present.

2. Communications



Joshua Rudy Ochoa, Community Partnership Specialist of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Barker Plummer, seconded by Vice Chair Pimentel, motioned to approve the May 23, 2023 LGBTQ+ Task Force meeting agenda. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes.

Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Gabbie Listana aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. May 9, 2023 (Packet Materials)

Commissioner Barker Plummer, seconded by Chair Listana, motioned to excuse Commissioner Pimentel from the May 9, 2023 LGBTQ+ Task Force meeting. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes.

Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Gabbie Listana aye

Action: Commissioner Pimentel excused absence.

Chair Listana, seconded by Commissioner Pimentel, motioned to approve the May 9, 2023 LGBTQ+ Task Force meeting minutes with grammatical amendments. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes.

Vanessa Pimentel aye
Ewan Barker Plummer aye
Gabbie Listana aye



Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

6. Task Force Business (discussion & possible action)

a. Response to the Murder of Banko Brown

Chair Listana asked if Member Rafer had any updates on a statement, to which Rafer gave an update on the footage that was released and that the District Attorney's Office has decided to not press any charges, but that Rafer was waiting on this meeting's discussion to take place before deciding to move forward with a statement. Member Rafer also added that Supervisor Preston is hoping to introduce legislation to address the issue of security guards and their response.

Chair Listana and Member Rafer referenced that there could be a potential for collaboration with the Youth Commission's Transformative Justice Committee. Member Tao said that they also watched the video and that there was seemingly no clear justification for self defense on behalf of the security guard.

Member Tao asked for clarifications regarding how a statement would be passed at the full Youth Commission, and Commissioner Barker Plummer said it should be discussed what place the City and County of San Francisco has in this case. Commissioner Barker Plummer added that they should still continue advocating for the reason why this situation happened in the first place, which was a lack of access to resources and services that folks like Banko Brown would've needed for support.

Member Tao said that a statement from the Youth Commission would be good to let the public know that Commissions and youth are having these conversations. Chair Listana added that it keeps the Youth Commission accountable to the public to continue supporting and advocating for greater resources. Member Rafer said they don't think many people look at the Youth Commission's statements so it might not get much attention, but Chair Listana responded by saying that there is traction from people on social media.

Member Rafer said it would be a good idea to include the organizers aligned with Banko Brown's group of support so that they can be a part of the conversation.



Chair Listana said that we can meet with some organizers before the upcoming full Youth Commission meeting, and that Members Rafer and Tao can work on a draft together. Chair Listana said that she can include some members of the Transformative Justice Committee to assist.

b. LGBTQ+ Youth Homelessness Resolution

Member Rafer and Commissioner Barker Plummer said they've been working on a draft currently, but they're hoping to put together a more concrete proposal for the resolution.

Specialist Ochoa reported back that the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) stated that they do have a youth assessment application for permanent supportive housing services, since they reported back at the Youth Commission's Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee and left several Commissioners confused on what information was accurate or correct.

Member Rafer added that it should still be discussed about the need for safe and reliable shelter and housing for homeless youth. Commissioner Barker Plummer said the Youth Commission can send a letter of inquiry to HSH, in addition to staff reaching out for clarification.

Specialist Ochoa said that he can reach out to HSH and report back to Task Force members by tomorrow, and the members can prepare language for whatever response comes from HSH.

Member Rafer and Chair Listana will work on the Banko Brown statement, Commissioner Barker Plummer and Member Tao can work on the safety within youth shelters, and the youth assessment process resolution will be worked on by Commissioner Pimentel, Chair Listana, and Member Rafer.

c. LGBTQ+ TF-related Updates

Commissioner Barker Plummer said we should still look into being involved in the Pride parade, and if there's any upcoming opportunities to table during the summer.

7. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

No announcements.



8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the LGBTQ+ Task Force adjourned at 6:26pm.