

# City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee

## **MINUTES**

Monday, March 11, 2024 5:30 p.m.

# IN-PERSON MEETING City Hall, Room 278 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**Members**: Imaan Ansari (Chair, D11), Jason Fong (Vice Chair, D7), Allister Adair (Member, D2), Helen Cisneros (Member, D5), Aryelle Lampkins (Member, Mayoral), Chloe Wong (Member, D1).

Present: Imaan Ansari, Jason Fong, Aryelle Lampkins, Chloe Wong.

Absent: Helen Cisneros (excused), Allister Adair (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee met in-person with remote access, on March 11, 2024, with Chair Ansari presiding.

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Ansari called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 4 present, 2 absent.

Allister Adair absent Helen Cisneros absent Aryelle Lampkins present Chloe Wong present Jason Fong present



Imaan Ansari present

A quorum of the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee membership was present.

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Commissioner Lampkins, motioned to excuse the absences of Commissioner Adair and Commissioner Cisneros. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Allister Adair absent Helen Cisneros absent Aryelle Lampkins aye Chloe Wong aye Jason Fong aye Imaan Ansari aye

Action: Commissioners Adair and Cisneros are excused.

#### 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 Lampkins, seconded by Vice Chair Fong, motioned to approve the March 11, 2024 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Allister Adair absent Helen Cisneros absent Aryelle Lampkins aye Chloe Wong aye Jason Fong aye Imaan Ansari aye

Action: Agenda Approved.



### 4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. February 26, 2024 (Packet Materials)

Commissioner Wong, seconded by Vice Chair Fong, motioned to approve the February 26, 2024 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Allister Adair absent Helen Cisneros absent Aryelle Lampkins aye Chloe Wong aye Jason Fong aye Imaan Ansari aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

#### **6. Presentation** (Information Item)

- a. SFMTA Presenting Active Communities Plan
  - i. Presenters: Christine Osorio, SFMTA Transportation Planner

Christy Osorio presented their presentation on the SFMTA's Active Communities Plan, which is now called "San Francisco's Biking and Rolling Plan".

Vice Chair Fong asked if they have a number of how many San Franciscans currently take active transit compared to the goal of 80%, to which Osorio said that 16% currently use active transit. Fong asked if they know where the higher quality projects will be located throughout the City, to which Osorio said they are currently mostly concentrated in downtown and parks and want to expand it to ensure they're equitably accessible. Fong asked how they intend to mend the social divide between the car-reliant and bike-reliant communities, to which Osorio said that because the biggest criticism has been the lack of community input and that they've implemented plans to double down on listening to the communities that are the most concerned about SFMTA's plans with moving forward on projects that directly affect them.



Chair Ansari asked what the Youth Commission can do to help support this plan, which Osorio said that they want to center this plan around students. Osorio said that they want to make sure that their Safe Pathways to School program expands, and that they'll be at schools in April for feedback on how to make traveling to school safer for students. Vice Chair Fong responded by saying that there's a lot of potential changes that could help students want to take active modes of transit instead of driving.

- 7. Committee Business (all items to follow are discussion & possible action)
  - a. Motion to Submit Public Comment in Support of Free Muni for All Youth to the SFMTA Board of Directors

Commissioners read the motion and letter of support into the record, and discussed grammatical amendments and language additions.

Chair Ansari, seconded by Commissioner Wong, motioned to submit public comment in support of Free Muni for All Youth to the SFMTA Board of Directors, with grammatical amendments, included adding language into the letter of support at the end of the first paragraph stating "The FMFAY program has transformed the lives of young people by expanding youth accessibility to public transit. It is a key policy and a profound leap to a more connected and inclusive San Francisco", and including "MOVED, the San Francisco Youth Commission urges the SF Board of Supervisors and Mayor's Office to urge the..." on the last line of the motion. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Allister Adair absent Helen Cisneros absent Aryelle Lampkins aye Chloe Wong aye Jason Fong aye Imaan Ansari aye

Action: the "Motion to Submit Public Comment in Support of Free Muni for All Youth to the SFMTA Board of Directors" passed, with amendments.

b. HRT Priorities for Remainder of 2023/24 Term

Commissioners discussed addressing priorities such as youth homelessness (inviting HSH to ask about their plans/strategies), improving public transit access



(such as the M-Oceanview line in Ingleside, expanding access to housing, and noise ordinances with large events.

# c. HRT-related Updates

No updates.

# **8. Announcements** (this includes Community Events)

No announcements.

# 9. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee adjourned at 6:50pm.

# 2023 - 2024 Youth Commission Legislative List

# **Civic Engagement and Education**

- Vote16, Voter Engagement and Education
- School System and Resources K-12 Education
  - Equitable education system
  - o Algebra I in SFUSD Middle Schools
  - Investment in resources, such as academic support, counselors, college preparatory, etc.
  - Language Access
  - Investing in arts and non-STEM classes
  - Comprehensive LGBTQ+ curriculum
  - School busses for all students
  - Establishing EID as an official SFUSD holiday
  - Sexual assault and harassment prevention training and resources for survivors
  - Extra support for first-generation immigrant, underrepresented, and low-income students
  - Nutritious and fresh school lunches
- Mental Health
  - Investment in wellness centers inside and outside of the school
  - Hiring more counselors/therapists of color
- Afterschool and Outside School Activities
  - Resolving school violence by investing in after-school and extracurricular activities
  - Expanding District Youth Councils
  - Investing in school-friendly jobs for youths, who could be bilingual, and prepare for careers after graduation
  - Childcare programs
- School Safety
  - Investing in school violence prevention programs
  - Mandatory procedures training for teachers and students during emergencies

# Housing, Recreation, and Transit

- Free MUNI for Youth
- Vision Zero
- Housing and Homelessness
  - Investing and expanding permanent supportive housing, especially for youths
  - Investing in and expanding TAY Housing, especially for the LGBTQ+ community
  - Access to housing resources

- Mainstream zoning policies
- Improving TAY navigation centers and temporary housing
- Support changing Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing permanent housing criteria
- Partnering with community organizations, such as Huckleberry Youth Services, that provide critical services to vulnerable youths
- Recreation, Public Spaces, and Land Use
  - Expanding recreational green urban areas and public spaces
  - Improving recreational center facilities to ensure equitable resources in every neighborhood
  - Collaborating with The Mix at SFPL to have more activities for youths at every city library
  - Safe spaces for LGBTQ+ youths
  - Investing in youth resource centers/community organizations that provide activities and resources for youths, such as the Boys & Girls Club and YMCA
  - Beautification of neighborhoods and communities through clean-up days
  - Noise ordinance

#### Transit

Expanding lines students rely on near schools and underserved neighborhoods

#### **Transformative Justice**

- Immigration
  - Language-accessible resources, such as community center safe spaces, legal protections, etc.
  - Investing in resources to help new immigrants find housing, employment, education, healthcare, and adjusting to the City
  - Legal representations for immigrant youths
- Substance Use Policies
  - Better health education spreading awareness of drug safety
  - Limiting drug and alcohol use in schools
  - Investing in providing naloxone/Narcan in schools and providing mandatory training
- Public Safety
- Environmental Justice
  - Investing and expanding clean power in the City
- Criminal Justice
  - o Adequate legal representation for youths awaiting trial regardless of income
  - Providing adequate rehabilitative service in Juvenile Hall
  - Increasing investment in re-entry programs and services
  - Reforming the juvenile incarceration system

- Cultural and historical preservation of communities and neighborhoods with vibrant cultural history
- Health
  - o Accessible and affordable healthcare
  - Addressing and tackling food deserts

# **Legislative Priorities, 2022 - 2023 YC HRT**

- ➤ Housing & Homelessness
  - Build Affordable Housing (below market rate, for youth & families)
  - Increase Oversight of SROs, HSH, and Homeless Shelters
    - Monitor the effectiveness of the potentially new Homelessness Oversight Commission (Measure C on November 2022 Ballot)
  - Build High Density, Transit-Accessible Housing
  - Prioritize Youth & Families on MOHCD Application
  - Equitable Response to Eliminate Homelessness
  - Support TAYs experiencing Housing Insecurity
  - Addressing Youth Homelessness
  - Zoning Reform to Reduce Homelessness
  - Build Partnerships with Affordable Housing CBOs
- > Recreation & Parks
  - Investing in Park Improvement & Accessibility
    - Car-Free JFK and Great Highway
  - Slow Streets Program\*
  - Expand Youth-Centered Spaces
    - Safe public recreational spaces for youth
  - Expand Open Community Spaces in Parks
  - Returning Parks to Nature & Decreasing Light Pollution
- > Transportation
  - Overcrowding on Student-Heavy Muni Routes (28, 29, 18, M, etc.)
    - Data collection, what lines suffer from overcrowding most, what lines do vouth use most
  - Restoring Critical Muni Routes (10, 47, 76x)\*
  - Expanding and Integrating Bike Network
    - Discussing the Future of Valencia
    - Discussing other possible streets that can be made safer for cyclists, especially those that are already designated Slow Streets
  - Expanding Bike Storage & Safety\*
    - Safety riding
    - Secure parking
  - Discounted / Free BART for Youth
    - Expanding access to youth clipper cards
    - Explore the idea of discounted/free BART for youth, in collaboration with other regions in the Bay Area
  - Youth Safety on Transit\*
    - BART/Muni gender based harassment
    - Seeing whether or not the marketing is effective / has results
  - Free Muni for All Youth (expanding to TAY)
  - Extending Muni Service Hours
  - Expanding Regional Bus Routes
  - Research on Lacking Services
  - Expanding BAYPASS
  - Create Youth Transit Investment Accounts
  - Reduce/Eliminate Car Incentives Citywide

- o Reduce Parking to Discourage Driving
- o Increase Access to E-Bikes
- ➤ Infrastructure & City Utilities
  - Bridging Divided Communities
  - Getting rid of freeways

    Making neighborhoods feel more welcoming

    Planting Trees on School Sites

  - o Addressing Blackouts on Treasure Island