



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

**MINUTES**

**Monday, October 28, 2024  
5:30pm**

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

**Members:** Winnie Liao (D3), Jin Valencia-Tow (D7), Harper Fortgang (D8), Imaan Ansari (D11), Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral), Ava Oram (Mayoral).

**Present:** Winnie Liao, Jin Valencia-Tow, Harper Fortgang, Imaan Ansari, Eloise Krehlik, Ava Oram.

**Absent:** None.

**Tardy:** None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee met in-person with remote access, on October 28, 2024, with acting Chair Valencia-Tow presiding.

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

Acting Chair Valencia-Tow called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 6 present.

Winnie Liao (D3) - present  
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - present  
Harper Fortgang (D8) - present  
Imaan Ansari (D11) - present

Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - present  
Ava Oram (Mayoral) - present

A quorum of the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee 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 Ansari, seconded by Commissioner Oram, motioned to approve the October 28, 2024 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes.

Winnie Liao (D3) - aye  
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye  
Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye  
Imaan Ansari (D11) - aye  
Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye  
Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

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

### **a. July 8, 2024 (Packet Materials)**

Commissioner Oram, seconded by Commissioner Liao, motioned to approve the July 8, 2024 Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes.

Winnie Liao (D3) - aye  
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye  
Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye  
Imaan Ansari (D11) - aye  
Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - aye  
Ava Oram (Mayoral) - aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

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

No public comment.

**6. Committee Business** (discussion & possible action)

a. HRT Chair and Vice Chair Elections

Specialist Ochoa explained the process of nomination and election for the Chair and Vice Chair positions. Ochoa explained what the roles and responsibilities were for both Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner Ansari nominated herself for Chair, and accepted the nomination. She spoke on why she should be elected. No questions. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 6 Ansari.

Winnie Liao (D3) - Ansari  
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - Ansari  
Harper Fortgang (D8) - Ansari  
Imaan Ansari (D11) - Ansari  
Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - Ansari  
Ava Oram (Mayoral) - Ansari

Action: Commissioner Ansari has been elected Chair.

Commissioner Valencia-Tow nominated Commissioner Fortgang for Vice Chair, and she accepted the nomination. She spoke on why she should be elected. No questions. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 6 Fortgang.

Winnie Liao (D3) - Fortgang  
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - Fortgang  
Harper Fortgang (D8) - Fortgang  
Imaan Ansari (D11) - Fortgang  
Eloise Krehlik (Mayoral) - Fortgang  
Ava Oram (Mayoral) - Fortgang

Action: Commissioner Fortgang has been elected Vice Chair.

b. HRT Committee Recap for 2023/2024

Specialist Ochoa went over a summary of the resolutions, motions, projects, and budget and policy priorities from the 2023/2024 Youth Commission term.

c. HRT Legislative Priorities & Goal-Setting for 2024/2025

Specialist Ochoa defined legislative priorities and commissioners discussed their ideas. Commissioner Oram mentioned the Free Muni for All Youth program, safer bike lanes (specifically on Valencia St), extending bus routes to accommodate more riders, making schools more transit accessible, and equitable access to the Presidio. Commissioner Ansari mentioned Vision Zero and improving local parks, especially ones in disrepair. Commissioner Valencia-Tow mentioned rent control and tenant protections. Commissioner Fortgang mentioned protection against sea level rise, requiring green appliances in new housing, implementing the EV charger legislation citywide, and increasing transit frequency during school hours. Commissioner Liao mentioned single-room occupancy units (SROs), zoning laws, and improving community spaces. Commissioner Krehlik mentioned free public transit (MUNI/BART/Caltrain), prioritizing bike lanes near schools and libraries, and youth and TAY homelessness.

Specialist Ochoa defined goal-setting and commissioners discussed their goals for the committee. Commissioner Oram mentioned having regular updates on various community events. Commissioner Ansari mentioned icebreakers at the start of every meeting, a training on how to do research to encourage everyone to include presenters. Commissioner Valencia-Tow mentioned updating the committee on relevant legislation. Commissioner Fortgang mentioned inviting youth and community organization presenters. Commissioner Liao mentioned strong attendance, having fun, inviting city departments to do presentations. Commissioner Krehlik mentioned communicating well with one another. Specialist Ochoa mentioned he would be emailing everyone about the agenda and meeting information.

d. HRT-related Updates

Specialist Ochoa said that the only date that worked for the most members was Tuesday, November 12th, from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

**7. Announcements** (this includes Community Events)

Commissioner Ansari invited everyone to the KAWL Youth Empowerment Forum tomorrow from 5pm to 7:30pm.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business on the agenda, the Housing, Recreation, & Transit Committee adjourned at 6:37pm.