



SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL
Tuesday, December 20, 2016, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Community Room
2929 Tapo Canyon Road

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome
2. Agenda Review
This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Youth Council. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Public Statements/Comments
This is the time allotted for statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. Continued Business
 - a. Discussion of Youth Summit Group Leader Designation
 - b. Selection of the Youth Summit Application Design
 - c. Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practice
7. New Business
Update on 2017 Youth Town Hall and Youth Summit Events
8. Representative Reports
Youth Council Reports and Comments
This is the time for Youth Council members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council or to request a future agenda item. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.
9. Coordinator's Report
10. Adjournment: Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., *Simi Valley Senior Center

/s/

Anna M. Medina
Deputy Community Services Director

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Youth Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6766. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

**Please note special location.*



CITY OF SIMI VALLEY

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Youth Council Chair Emily Ramirez called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., and Secretary Zalma Quezada took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

2016-17 Youth Council Members					
Selection Districts			Members-At-Large		
P	Keyla Pech-AHS	P	Humna Ahmad	E	Aaron Williams
P	Leah Nohrenberg -RHS	P	Gurvardaan Bal		
P	Emily Ramirez -RHS	P	Denise Gonzales	Alternates	
E	Prachi Patel -SSHS	P	Timothy Ho	A	Ryan Rosenstein
P	Zalma Quezada -SSHS	P	Elizabeth Lopez	P	Yue Dan Chen
E	Nick Judge-SVHS	P*	Phoebe Ruiz	V	Vacant
P	Shanaya Sidhu -SVHS	P	Adrian Schemm	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Ashley Zook-HMS	P*	Lindsay Scholbrock		
P	Ziren Mo - SMS	P	Natalie Smith		
P	Aditya Gaiki-VVMS	P	Anushka Vakil		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guests: Students James Chu and Pranav Krishnamoorthi.

2. Agenda Review

There being no objections, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION:

A motion to approve the November 15, 2016, minutes as revised to reflect that Aditya Gaiki attendance was an excused absence was made by Leah Nohrenberg and seconded by Adrian Schemm.

Youth Council vote: 17 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Pranav Krishnamoorthi greeted the Youth Council.

6. New Business

a. Discussion of Youth Summit Group Leader Designation

Youth Summit Committee Chair Zalma Quezada explained the responsibilities of group leaders and stated that the Youth Summit Committee would be assigning group leaders for each topic during their next meeting on December 20, 2016. Youth Council members were then asked to select their top three preferred group topics.

b. Selection of the 2017 Youth Council Comments Presenters to City Council on January 9, February 6, March 6, and May 15

Ms. Tignac explained that the Youth Summit Committee Chair and the Youth Council Chair traditionally present the Youth Council Comments following the Youth Summit and the last presentation of the term, respectively.

The following Youth Council members volunteered to be Youth Council Comments presenters: Humna Ahmad, Denise Gonzales, Elizabeth Lopez, Phoebe Ruiz and Anushka Vakil. Humna Ahmad, Denise Gonzales, Phoebe Ruiz and Anushka Vakil received the most votes.

ACTION: A motion to approve the following Youth Council Comments presenters to City Council; Anushka Vakil on January 9, Humna Ahmad on February 6, Phoebe Ruiz on March 6, Zalma Quezada on April 24, Denise Gonzales on May 15, and Emily Ramirez on June 5, with Elizabeth Lopez as an alternate presenter was made by Elizabeth Lopez and seconded by Aditya Gaiki.

Youth Council vote: 19 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

c. Selection of the Youth Summit Application Design

Youth Summit Committee Chair Zalma Quezada distributed the three application graphic designs created by the City's graphics department and stated that the committee had selected the third design as their top design choice.

After a lengthy discussion, Youth Council members suggested a few minor revisions to request for design number one and three. Chair Emily Ramirez continued the discussion of this item until the December 20 Youth Council meeting.

d. Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practice

Youth Summit Committee Chair Zalma Quezada explained debrief practices and purpose, as well as expectations and responsibilities of Youth Summit small group facilitators. Ms. Quezada stated that members would receive training during the upcoming Youth Council meetings through small group practice exercises that had been selected for group leaders' use to help with group bonding and team building. Group leaders

that had led small groups as facilitators prior gave recommendations to help prepare the new Youth Council members.

7. Representative Reports

Leah Nohrenberg stated that she had presented the Youth Council Comments on Monday, December 5, 2016. She stated that the speech went well.

Emily Ramirez reported that she attended the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's first annual Young Women's Leadership Summit on Saturday, November 19, 2016. She stated that she, along with Youth Council members Prachi Patel, Zalma Quezada, Phoebe Ruiz and Ashley Zook, served in leadership positions as Table Hosts.

Aditya Gaiki reminded Youth Council members to check their email notifications from the City's webmaster for upcoming events at the Simi Valley Public Library.

Adrian Schemm announced that St. Rose of Lima Church would be hosting a tree lighting ceremony and live nativity scene, including animals from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on Friday, December 9, 2016. Cookies and hot cocoa will be served. The Church is located at 1305 Royal Avenue. For additional information, visit www.strosesv.com.

8. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac thanked Leah Nohrenberg for presenting the Youth Council Comments to the City Council on December 5, 2016. She stated that she did an excellent job representing the Youth Council. Ms. Tignac gave Leah and Zalma framed photo sheets to commemorate their time on the City Council dais.

Ms. Tignac announced that the Ask the Mayor – A Town Hall Meeting with Mayor Bob Huber is scheduled on Saturday, December 10, 2016, at the Simi Valley Town Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For more information, call (805) 583-6701.

9. Adjournment: Tuesday, December 20, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room

Youth Council Chair Emily Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.