



SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL
Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Zoom Online Meeting
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AGENDA

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE STAY AT HOME ORDER AND THE COUNTY OF VENTURA HEALTH OFFICER DECLARED LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND BE WELL AT HOME ORDER RESULTING FROM THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, ALL CITY BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. TO FIND OUT HOW YOU MAY ELECTRONICALLY PARTICIPATE IN THE YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING AND PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE REFER TO AGENDA ITEM 5.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
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
Time allotted for public statements on all items on the agenda, as well as matters not on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Youth Council. The following information is provided to help you understand, follow, and participate in the Youth Council meeting:

NEW COMMENT PROCEDURE DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Public comment is the opportunity for members of the public to participate in meetings by addressing the Youth Council in connection with one or more agenda or non-agenda items.

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- a. Watch the Youth Council Meeting live online at Zoom:
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public comment, you must be signed into the meeting and available at the time this agenda item is called.

- c. Or, if you are unable to sign-on to Zoom and wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment via email by 2:00 p.m. on the Tuesday of the Youth Council meeting to the Youth Council Coordinator at ktignac@simivalley.org and include the Agenda Item topic and/or your comments. These emails will be provided to the Youth Council prior to the meeting and made a part of the record.
6. Continued Business
 - a. 2020 Simi Valley Youth Summit Debrief
 - b. Discussion of Virtual Youth Council Talent Show
 - c. Discussion of the Youth Council Hosting Online Social Distancing Activities
 7. New Business
 - a. Discussion of Request to Host an Online Zoom Meeting Regarding Vaping with the City of Edmonton Youth Council (CEYC) in Alberta, Canada
 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, May 19, 2020, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Online Zoom Meeting.



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.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Youth Council Chair Paige Barrella called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., and Secretary Riya Manimaran took attendance, verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
V	Vacant-AHS	P*	Joshua Chandran	P	Tashya Vakil
P	Riya Manimaran-RHS	P	Xiaoze "Leo" Hou	Alternates	
P	Anna Sorensen-RHS	P	Abigail Jiwanmall	P	Ashley Kilmnick
P	Paige Barrella-SSHS	P*	Daniella Jones	P	Ella McCrossan
P	Om Patel-SSHS	P	Parsa Karamat	P	Ze "Daniel" Situ
P	Ashlyn Ro-SVHS	P	Rahul Naveen	Youth Council Cohort	
P	Sneha Sundaram-SVHS	P	Chandler Nelson	E	Grace Fausett
P	Abhishek AJ Jagannathan-HMS	P	Ian Nelson	E	Nikhita Sundarapandian
P	Meghna Behera- SMS	P	Frances Salvanera	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Kalyssa Ro-VVMS	P	Vivek Tarapara		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Anna Medina, Deputy Community Services Director; David Yoshitomi, Community Services Manager, Angel Sierra, Community Services Manager; and Kristin Tignac, Community Services Coordinator

Guests: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Judge; City Council Member Ruth Luevanos; students Trent Cobos, Sanchita Karthik, and Emma Lindskog.

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: A motion to approve the March 5, 2020 minutes as written was made by Om Patel and seconded by Meghna Behera.

Youth Council Vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Youth Council Chair Paige Barrella reviewed the new public statement procedure required due to the Zoom meeting format.

Mayor Pro Tem Judge greeted Youth Council members and offered his support during the COVID-19 pandemic and reflected that the circumstances were difficult. He also offered to answer any questions that members had.

Council Member Luevanos offered her assistance with any issues that may come up with hosting Zoom meetings. She announced that current information about COVID-19 and resources to assistance needed could be found by visiting www.vcemergency.com. She reminded members that the Stay at Home orders were in place currently until May 15, 2020.

6. Continued Business

No continued business was discussed.

7. New Business

a. 2020 Simi Valley Youth Summit Debrief

Ms. Tignac recognized and praised all Youth Council members for the amazing job they did as small group facilitators, as well as their hard work in general running the Youth Summit.

Youth Council members shared positive comments about the 2020 Youth Summit and recommendations for the 2021 Youth Summit; including smaller breakout groups.

There being no objections, Chair Barrella continued the discussion to the May 5 Youth Council meeting.

Action Item: Ella McCrossan volunteered to create a Google Doc to list all the Youth Summit discussion topics and solutions recommended for issues. Breakout facilitator teams would then be able to make revisions to clarify issues and recommended solutions.

b. Discussion of Youth Council Recruitment and New Youth Council Member Interviews

Ms. Tignac gave a brief overview of the Youth Council recruitment process. Current Youth Council members interested in applying should submit their applications before the Thursday, April 30, 2020, application deadline.

Ms. Tignac stated that all Youth Council members should be promoting the Youth Council recruitment and that applications may also be submitted online at www.simivalley.org/YouthCouncilApp.

As out-going Youth Council members, the following stated an interest in serving on the Interview Sub-committee for returning Youth Council

members: Paige Barrella, Parsa Karamat, Chandler Nelson, Om Patel, and Sneha Sundaram.

If nominated to serve on the 2020-21 Youth Council, the following members stated an interest in serving on the Interview Panel to interview new Youth Council applicants: Meghna Behera, Joshua Chandran, Xiaoze Leo Hou, Abhishek AJ Jagannathan, Abigail Jiwanmall, Ashley Kilmnick, Riya Manimaran, Ella McCrossan, Rahul Naveen, Ian Nelson, Ashlyn Ro, Kalyssa Ro, Frances Salvanera, Daniel Ze Situ, Anna Sorensen, Vivek Tarapara, and Tashya Vakil.

Guest Sanchita Karthik asked about the interview format for new members applying to serve on the Youth Council.

Council Member Luevanos expressed her interest in serving on the returning member interview panel.

c. Discussion of Virtual Youth Council Talent Show

Talent Show Chair Ashley Kilmnick announced that the committee had researched and changed plans due to the COVID-19 pandemic to hold the Talent Show virtually on Friday, May 29, 2020. She also stated that previously recorded performance videos would be accepted and could be used as their competition performance.

Vivek Tarapara announced that a student from Santa Susana High School, who already has work experience in video editing had offered to reduce his editing hourly fee to create the Talent Show video.

Abigail Jiwanmall stated that the band Rebel Romance had told her they plan to submit an audition video by April 24, 2020.

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members to continue promoting the Talent Show auditions process to submit online videos to www.simivlley.org/talentshow. She stated that she had emailed the revised Talent Show audition flyer created by Riya Manimaran to all Youth Council members the previous week.

d. Discussion of the Youth Council Hosting Online Social Distancing Activities

Ms. Tignac discussed the idea of the Youth Council hosting a weekly or biweekly online activity night during the remainder of the COVID-19 Stay at Home order.

The following Youth Council members volunteered to serve on the Social Distancing Activity Committee: Meghna Behera, Joshua Chandran, AJ Jagannathan, Ella McCrossan, Rahul Naveen, Chandler Nelson, Ian Nelson, and Anna Sorensen.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Social Distancing Activity Committee as listed above was made by Ella McCrossan and seconded by Joshua Chandran.

Youth Council Vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

- e. Discussion of Cancelling the Mental Health Walkathon Scheduled on Saturday, May 16, 2020

Mental Health Walkathon Chair Sneha Sundaram discussed cancelling the walkathon scheduled on May 16, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing requirements. She also asked that the 2020-21 Youth Council consider hosting the Mental Health Walkathon during the next term, so that the Youth Council Co-hort may accomplish their Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's 2019 Summer Leadership Program action plan. She stated that even though she would be in her freshman year of college, she would be interested in helping the committee complete the project.

ACTION: A motion to approve cancelling the Mental Health Walkathon scheduled on May 16, 2020 and recommending that the 2020-21 Youth Council consider hosting the event during the next term was made by Rahul Naveen and seconded by Ian Nelson.

Youth Council Vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

- 8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Chandler Nelson announced that his birthday was on April 23, 2020. He also encouraged Youth Council members to watch the high school episode of the Price is Right game show airing the same day.

- 9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members to continue to promote that Talent Show auditions would be accepted online at www.simivalley.org/talentshow until Friday, April 24, 2020, the extended deadline date.

Ms. Tignac also reminded Youth Council members to continue to promote the Youth Council recruitment noting that applications would be accepted online at www.simivalley.org/YouthCouncilApp until Thursday, April 30, 2020.

- 10. Adjournment: Tuesday, May 5, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Online Zoom meeting.

By consensus, the Youth Council meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.