



# City of Santa Clara

## Meeting Minutes Youth Commission

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10/08/2024

6:00 PM

Youth & Teen Center  
2446 Cabrillo Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA 95051

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### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

**This meeting was called to order by Gayle Ichiho at 6:04 p.m.**

- Present** 14 - Commissioner Allysa Domensino, Commissioner Simren Garg, Commissioner Namita Gaidhani, Commissioner Srikha Gopiseti, Commissioner Julianna Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Neha Israni, Commissioner Maryam Ismail, Commissioner Rebecca Kunze, Commissioner Kira Liang, Commissioner Malia Martin, Commissioner Samaira Mehta, Commissioner Hiranya Parekh, Commissioner Brian Rong, and Commissioner Samarth Suresh
- Absent** 1 - Commissioner Ryan Kim

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Parekh to excuse Commissioner Kim from the October 8, 2024 meeting. The motion was carried by the following votes:**

- Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopiseti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [24-965](#) Review and Approve the Youth Commission Minutes of September 10, 2024 Meeting

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Parekh that this item be recommended for approval. The motion was carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

none

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

2. [24-778](#) Elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the FY 2024/25 Youth Commission Term

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Parekh, to elect Commissioner Liang for the Chair position, Commissioner Martin for Vice Chair position, Commissioner Gaidhani for Secretary position, and Commissioner Garg for the Commission Outreach position. The motion was carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

3. [24-822](#) Santa Clara Vision Zero Project Introduction and Discussion

Received presentation on the Santa Clara Vision Zero project.

City Staff, Senior Civil Engineer, Ralph Garcia presented the Santa Clara Vision Zero project. Youth Commissioners provided feedback on challenges or concerns about locations in Santa Clara that need improvement.

4. [24-964](#) Adopt Youth Commission Calendar of Meetings for 2025

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that this item be recommended for approval. The motion was carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

5. [24-966](#) Discussion and Possible Action on Youth Commission FY 2024/25 Work Plan & Goals

Commissioners prioritized three themes for the FY2024/25 Work Plan: Public Outreach and Education, Community Building with Santa Clara residents, and Youth Empowerment. The first committee meeting dates will be set for November 12th. Each committee will discuss specific goals and activities to promote their respective theme.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gaidhani, seconded by Commissioner Parekh that this item be recommended for approval.**

**The motion was carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

### **STAFF REPORT**

Gayle Ichiho, Parks & Recreation Supervisor discussed the upcoming Children's Halloween Party on Saturday, October 26 at Central Park. The Youth & Teen Center is looking for high school volunteers to support the event. She also shared information about the online Parks & Recreation Master Plan survey and explained that this is a strategic document that will set forth a framework for the City's parks and recreation system. It will improve, protect, and expand parks, facilities, and recreational services now and in the future.

### **COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

Commissioner Israni reported that the Youth Commission participated in a stakeholder's engagement session for the Library Facilities Master plan on October 1, 2024.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suresh, seconded by Commissioner Parekh that this meeting be adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The motion was carried by the following votes:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Garg, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopiseti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Ismail, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Liang, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Parekh, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Suresh

**Excused:** 1 - Commissioner Kim

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