



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Youth Commission

09/16/2025

6:00 PM

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

Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

This meeting was called to order by Gayle Ichiho at 6:00 p.m.

Present 13 - Commissioner Allysa Domensino, Commissioner Mateo Espinal, Commissioner Seoyun Chong, Commissioner Namita Gaidhani, Commissioner Sriksa Gopiseti, Commissioner Julianna Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Neha Israni, Commissioner Drew Madriaga, Commissioner Rebecca Kunze, Commissioner Malia Martin, Commissioner Samaira Mehta, Commissioner Brian Rong, and Commissioner Niharika Uppalapati

Absent 2 - Commissioner Aneesha Vemu, and Commissioner Samarth Suresh

A motion was made by Commissioner Israni, seconded by Commissioner Martin to excuse Commissioner Suresh and Commissioner Vemu from the September 16th meeting. The motion was carried by the following votes:

Aye: 13 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Espinal, Commissioner Chong, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopiseti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Madriaga, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Uppalapati

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Vemu, and Commissioner Suresh

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [25-887](#) Action on the Youth Commission Minutes of May 13, 2025 Meeting

Recommendation: Approve the Youth Commission Minutes of the May 13, 2025 Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Gaidhani seconded by Commissioner Espinal that this item be recommended for approval. The motion was carried by the following votes:

Aye: 13 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Espinal, Commissioner Chong, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopiseti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Madriaga, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Uppalapati

Excused: 2 - Commissioner Vemu, and Commissioner Suresh

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [25-890](#) Discussion and Possible Action on Youth Commission FY 2025/26 Work Plan & Goals

Recommendation: Discussion and possible action on the activities and efforts in support of the Youth Commission's Work Plan & Goals for FY2025/26.

At the September 16th , 2025 meeting, the Youth Commission began discussions regarding its work plan priorities and goals for the FY 2025/26 term. These discussions will occur over the next meetings as Commissioners narrow their focus to approximately three overarching goals with supporting activities and/or events.

STAFF REPORT

Gayle Ichiho, Recreation Supervisor, announced the upcoming Children's Halloween party on October 25th at Central Park and recruiting high school volunteers. Also, Sunset Cinema Movie Night at the Mission City Cemetery collaboration with the Library on October 24.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Madriaga, Commissioner Donensino, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti volunteered at the Annual Art and Wine festival with various community organizations.

ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting of the Youth Commission is on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 6:00pm

A motion was made by Commissioner Mehta and seconded by Commissioner Gopisetti to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Aye: 13 - Commissioner Domensino, Commissioner Espinal, Commissioner Chong, Commissioner Gaidhani, Commissioner Gopisetti, Commissioner Arias Hernandez, Commissioner Israni, Commissioner Madriaga, Commissioner Kunze, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mehta, Commissioner Rong, and Commissioner Uppalapati

Excused: 2 - Commissioner Vemu, and Commissioner Suresh

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