



CITY OF MODESTO YOUTH COMMISSION

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.
1010 Tenth Street, Room 2005

*Roll Call – Youth Commission

Aheli Patel (Chair)
Noah Wong (Vice Chair)
Kayvon Banankhah
Lolamaya Evans
Jossfin Garza
Abigail Manzano
Hamza Modan
Ameena Pierstorff
Carissa Nielson (inactive)

AGENDA

(NOTE: Any and all of the following agenda items are subject to action being taken by the Youth Commission.)

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Consider approving the minutes from the March 14, 2023 Youth Commission meeting.

V. GOVERNMENT 101

A. Orientation Video Segment

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. City Council Presentation
- B. Social Media Sub-Committee Update
- C. Youth Outreach Sub-Committee Update
- D. STANCOE Youth Improvement & Youth Summit Update
- E. Love Modesto Project
- F. Soccer for Success & Mini Pitch Programs

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS & REPORTS

- A. City Council Actions
- B. City Staff Updates
- C. Commissioner Comments & Reports

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

These may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Under State law, Commissioners may respond to matters being presented under this item only as follows:

- A. Briefly respond to statements made or questions asked.
- B. Ask a question for clarification.
- C. Provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information.
- D. Request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting.
- E. Finally, a Commissioner or the Commission itself may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

X. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

(These may be presented by members of the Youth Commission and staff, upon determination by a majority vote that an emergency exists, as defined by State law, or by a 2/3 vote that [1] there is a need to take immediate action and [2] that the need for action came to the Committee’s attention after the agenda was posted.)

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: May 9, 2023

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at _____ by _____ on the bulletin board at Tenth Street Place.

Agenda Item: VIII.A
Modesto City Council Actions
March 14, 2023 (from minutes)

Acknowledgments & Presentations

1. Mayor Zwahlen presented proclamation declaring March as National Disability Awareness Month.
2. Mayor Zwahlen presented proclamation declaring March as National Women's History Month.
3. Presentation on the Stanislaus Regional Transit Authority (SRTA) Route Changes by SRTA Chief Executive Officer Adam Barth.

Miscellaneous

4. **Resolution 2023-088** accepting the resignation of Maya Ramirez from the City of Modesto's Equity Commission.

Public Comment Period

- Greg Miculinich asked that Council consider including hazard pay for former employees that worked during the pandemic.
- Ramon Rodriguez spoke about the COVID pay and asked that it be given to only the front-line pandemic workers. He also spoke about Treavor Also, spoke about Treavor Seever, Paul Chavez and the Modesto Police Department.
- Tina Perez Tateo asked Council to lift the ban on cruising. She also referenced AB 436 that was introduced in Sacramento to lift the ban on cruising.
- Respect Us (Zoom) spoke about respect and the Modesto Police Department. He further commented about comments at the last Council meeting.
- Nassan Sanchez spoke about a recent event - Classic Cars and Coffee event that was hosted by the Cruisers Council to build bridges and break down barriers between cultures and the cruising community. He is looking forward to a discussion about lifting the ban on cruising.
- John Williams asked for Justice of Paul Chavez and Treavor Seevor. He mentioned the three names of Paul Chavez's sons. He spoke about the shooting of Paul Chavez.
- Sebastian Jones spoke about a comment made at past Council meetings. He spoke about his disability and the time allowed for him to speak during public comment.
- Theresa Clutter spoke about justice for Paul Chavez. She asked for accountability and asked for closure, justice and accountability.
- DeAnna Garcia thanked Council for all they do for the City of Modesto. She is the owner of Modesto Cannabis Collective and thanked Council for bringing the cannabis equity program to the City of Modesto. She asked that the tax be lowered soon on cannabis.
- Brittony Chavez commented on the shooting of her husband Paul Chavez. She spoke about the officers and EMT on scene during the incident.

- Dr. Theresa Rojas Professor of English at Modesto Junior College, invited the Council and public to attend Latin Comics Art Festival on March 17-18 at the Modesto Junior College – West Campus.

Consent Items – Roll Call Vote Required

5. Motion approving the minutes from the February 28, 2023 Council Meeting.
6. Resolution 2023-089 amending Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Operating and Capital Improvement Project Fund Budgets and authorizing the City Manager, to take the necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Resolution.
7. Motion accepting an Informational Report for the January 2023 Accounts Payable Payment Register and Void Report.
8. Motion introducing and waiving the first reading of an Ordinance 3760-C.S. repealing and replacing Chapter 1 of Title 3 of the Modesto Municipal Code amending the City’s Fire Code to adopt the 2022 California Fire Code.
9. Resolution 2023-090 approving the Award of Bid and Agreement for Rental of Golf Carts to E-Z-Go a Division of Textron Inc., Mira Loma, CA, for four years, for an annual estimated amount of \$165,408 and a total amount not to exceed \$661,634 over four years; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the Agreement.
10. Resolution 2023-091 approving an Agreement with Sherwood Design Engineers, LTD. to prepare construction documentation for the Tuolumne River Regional Park (TRRP) Riverwalk Trail - Gateway to Legion Park Project for an amount of \$450,626, plus \$45,063 for additional services, if needed for an Agreement total not to exceed \$495,689 and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Agreement.
Resolution 2023-092 amending the Fiscal Year 2022-23 annual Capital Improvement Program project 101232 budget in the amount of \$210,241 to increase the project expenditure budget and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to take the necessary steps to implement the provisions of this Resolution.
11. Resolution 2023-093 approving payment to W.C. Maloney, Stockton, CA, for the demolition of the Dryden Clubhouse, for a total amount not to exceed \$74,873 and authorizing the Purchasing Manager, or her designee, to issue the payment.
12. Resolution 2023-094 approving an Agreement with Stanislaus County for City Staff to Perform Engineering Review and Construction Inspection Services for the West Modesto County Area 9 Sewer Infrastructure Project, for an amount not to exceed \$225,000, and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Agreement.

Council Comments & Reports

- Council Member Bavaro commented on his colleague and longtime friend Council Member Williams. He spoke about Council Member Williams strong character and impeccable integrity. He also made a statement about the inaccurate comments being made about what he said at a past Council Meeting. The video recording of the February 28, 2023, meeting is posted on the City’s YouTube channel to verify exactly what was said.

- Vice Mayor Ricci reported on the successful Council Workshop held last week. He spoke about the topics discussed at the workshop. He appreciated the opportunity to work on the City's strategic plan.
- Council Member Williams thanked Councilmember Bavaro for his comments. He reported on events he attended over the weekend. One event attended was at the Sankofa Theatre Company. He also stated that he shares the same sentiments about a very thorough and enjoyable Council retreat. He thanked the Mayor and City Manager for putting the retreat together.
- Council Member Alvarez reported that the City is still accepting applications for the Measure H Oversight Board. He encouraged residents from District 2 to apply. The deadline is March 13. He announced that the City has a homeowner repair assistance program. The program is possible with funding from ARPA. He reported on his budget priorities and encouraged the public apply to serve on City Commissions, Boards and Committees.
- Mayor Zwahlen also reported on the Council Workshop and stated that the priorities and goals of the collective Council matched up. The priorities also matched with the communities Measure H priorities. She reported on attending the Sankofa Theatre Company event. She also spoke about meeting with retired educators and attending a Modesto Police Department Installation Dinner. This evening she returned from a Southern California StanCOG conference and has learned a lot.

Hearings

13. This item is being moved to future Council Meeting and will be renoticed.
14. Resolution 2023-095 of the City Council of the City of Modesto pursuant to Section 147(F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 approving the issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority to finance or refinance the acquisition, rehabilitation, improvement and equipping of the Marple Manor Project and certain other matters relating thereto.
15. Resolution 2023-096 of the City Council of the City of Modesto pursuant to Section 147(F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 approving the issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority to finance or refinance the acquisition, rehabilitation, improvement and equipping of the Ralston Tower Project and certain other matters relating thereto.
16. Resolution 2023-097 approving the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to provide funding for Hazard Pay to employees in the total amount of \$6,705,000 and to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Non-Capital Operating Budget to create a Non-Capital Project Budget in the American Rescue Grants Fund (Fund 1390); and authorizing the City Manager to carry out the necessary steps to implement the ARPA Funding for Hazard Pay for the intended use described above.
Motion to have Council take the issue of providing hazard to the employees that worked during the time for retired employees for further discussion.



**CITY OF MODESTO
YOUTH COMMISSION**

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.
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MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Vice Chair Wong

Commissioners Present: Noah Wong, Kayvon Banankhah, Hamza Modan, Lolamaya Evans, and Abigail Manzano

Commissioners Absent: Aheli Patel (excused), Ameena Pierstorff (excused), Jossfin Garza, and Carissa Nielson

Staff: Ashley Weaver, Ruth-Helen King, Stephanie Navarro, Valerie Garcia, and Diane Sheatsley

II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Motion (Manzano/Modan) 5/0 approving of the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting.

V. GOVERNMENT 101

City of Modesto Orientation Video Segment – Modesto Police Department and the Parks, Recreation & Neighborhoods Department.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Social Media Sub-Committee Update

Commissioner Evans reminded everyone to turn in their social media waivers. Once submitted, the Sub-Committee can move forward with its social media plan. First post: Who We Are. Survey questions will be sent to all Commissioners.

B. Youth Outreach Sub-Committee Update

Ruth-Helen King gave an overview on possible outreach opportunities including Meet & Greets at several junior high and high schools. She suggests hosting a survey where students are asked 1) What do you know? 2) What would you like to know? 3) What have you done today? The questions are designed to trigger discussions

and show how basic government and agency services are used in everyday life . She will coordinate dates with Commissioners Patel and Pierstorff.

C. STANCOE Youth Improvement & Youth Summit Update

Ninfa Smith, with Stanislaus County Office of Education’s “Stanislaus Cradle to Career Partnership” presented the attached presentation and asked for volunteers to be panelists at next month’s Youth Summit. Commissioners Modan and Evans volunteered.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Quarterly Report to City Council

Staff reminded the Commissioners of the April 11, 2023 presentation to the City Council.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS & REPORTS

A. Mayor’s State of the City

The link to the Mayor’s 2023 State of the City was provided for all to view.

B. City Staff Updates

Ruth-Helen King informed the Commission of the upcoming Spring Festival Pop-Up Party at James Marshall Park on March 25, 2023 and Cesar Chavez Family Day on March 31, 2023. The Youth Commission is welcome to have a booth or help out at both events.

Ashley Weaver shared highlights from the new Activity Guide, launching April 3, 2023, including Drivers Education, the Leisure Bucks Program, STRTA Ride for Free, and the We’re Hiring request for specialty instructors, After School Program Leaders, Recreation Leaders, and Lifeguards.

C. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Modan expressed interest in the Soccer for Success Program and Mini-Pitch Soccer. Staff will research to see if such programs are viable options for programming in schools.

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

X. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

Commissioner Banankhah asked if there was a service project for the Commission. Staff suggested Love Modesto’s “Hope Blooms Garden” at Monterosso Park (Coffee Road & Scenic Avenue. The one day project is April 29th and features a morning rally downtown followed by the gardening project until 12:30 p.m. All supplies and instructions will be provided. Commission Modan volunteered to be the point of contact for this project. Staff will send out more information.

ACTION: Motion (Wong/Modan) 5/0 adopting the “Hope Blooms Garden” project for Love Modesto.

XI. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m. (Wong/Banankhah 5/0).

Stanislaus County Office of Education (from PowerPoint)

Stanislaus County Office of Education supports local schools, parents, students and the community to ensure everyone has a quality education. <https://www.stancoe.org>

Stanislaus Cradle to Career Partnership is a partnership of community, parents and students making sure every student is successful. <https://www.stanc2c.org>

Partnership Initiatives

- 1) Power Building
 - a. Youth
 - b. Parents
 - c. Community
- 2) Advancing Racial Equity
 - a. Capacity Building
 - b. Equity Statement
 - c. Organizational Self-Assessment
- 3) Mental Health: AB 2083
 - a. SCOE
 - b. Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

What is StanYEA?

The Stanislaus County Youth Empowerment Alliance (StanYEA) brings organizations, government, philanthropic partners, young people, and adult allies together to drive a vision forward to achieve YOUTH EMPOWERMENT.

Youth Empowerment Partners:

- Stanislaus Partners in Education
- Stanislaus County Office of Education
- HAVEN – Healthy Alternatives to Violent Environments
- Employment Development Department
- Learning Quest – Stanislaus Literacy Centers
- MF FAMILA VOTA
- Girls Scouts – Heart of central California
- Stanislaus State
- Central California LGBTQIA+2S Collaborative
- Youth for Christ
- Tuolumne River Trust
- Stanislaus Community Foundation
- City of Modesto
- City Ministry Network
- Stanislaus Cradle to Career
- Love Stanislaus County
- Youth Leadership Institute
- Project YES

- INVEST IN ME
- Improve Your Tomorrow Inc.
- Center for Human Services
- The Rock, Church of Turlock
- ABLE Works
- she became
- First Priority Campus Clubs
- Stanislaus County Library
- CERES – Committed to Excellence – Responsive to Every Student

2023 Work Groups

1) Youth Summit 2023

Purpose: To create spaces for young people to share their stories with their voices to the broader community, network with each other, and have access to resources.

2) Regional Ambassadors Meetings:

Purpose: To connect leaders across regional territories, identify and collaborate on the unique community strengths and needs of each region, and build ambassadors for the Youth Empowerment across Stanislaus County.

Want To Get Involved?

- Attend quarterly meetings
- Next meeting – Thursday, March 16th, 9 a.m.
- Attend Youth Summit – March 31st, 4 p.m. at Salida Library
- Participate in a work group
- Let us know how we can support you
- Invite other youth
- Give feedback