



**CITY OF MODESTO
YOUTH COMMISSION**
Tuesday, May 9, 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 April 11, 2023 Youth Commission meeting.

V. GOVERNMENT 101

A. Orientation Video Segment

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. City Council Presentation Collaboration
- B. Social Media Sub-Committee Update
- C. Youth Outreach Sub-Committee Update
- D. Love Modesto Project Update

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. End of Term
 - i. Last meeting June 13th

- ii. Reappointments
- iii. Goal and Priority Recommendations

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS & REPORTS

- A. City Staff Updates
- B. 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: June 13, 2023

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MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:39 p.m. by Chair Patel

Commissioners Present: Aheli Patel, Kayvon Banankhah, Lolamaya Evans, Jossfin Garza, Abigail Manzano, Hamza Modan, and Ameena Pierstorff

Commissioners Absent: Noah Wong (excused) and Carissa Nielson (inactive)

Staff: Ashley Weaver, Ruth-Helen King and Valerie Garcia

Public: Council Member Eric Alvarez, Council Member Jeremiah Williams, and Council Member Rosa Escutia-Braaton

II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Councilmember Alvarez spoke to the support and value of the Youth Commission and that he is an available resource.

Councilmember Williams spoke with enthusiasm of the support of the Youth Commission and the need for their opinion.

Councilmember Escutia-Braaton echoed the fellow Council Members remarks stating the importance and her availability as a resource.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Motion (Pierstorff/Manzano) 7/0 approving of the minutes of the March 14, 2023 meeting.

V. GOVERNMENT 101

City of Modesto Orientation Video Segment – due to technical difficulties there was not a video segment

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. City Council Presentation

Commissioners decided to present the Youth Commission accomplishments presentation to the City Council on Tuesday, May 23rd. A sub-committee will bring a draft presentation to the full Commission for review at the next meeting on May 9th for finalization.

ACTION: Motion (Banankhah/Patel) 7/0 approving the formation of the Youth Commission presentation development sub-committee with Chair Patel and Commissioners Modan, Banankhah and Manzano.

B. Social Media Sub-Committee Update

Commissioner Evans and Pierstorff updated the Commission that all waivers have been received and tasks the Commissioners to email photos to use with their social media posts.

C. Youth Outreach Sub-Committee Update

Commissioner Modan and staff Ruth-Helen King reported that Modesto City Schools students were surveyed on their knowledge of local government. The surveys will be used during a Youth Commission presentation at Mark Twain Junior High at a pending date.

D. STANCOE Youth Improvement & Youth Summit Update

Commissioner Modan reported that the Youth Summit event was a success with 45 youth and 45 adults in attendance. The event brought awareness to mental health with Commissioners Modan and Evans on the panel. Suggestions for future events include increased event marketing to youth and more panelists.

E. LoveModesto Project

Commissioners discussed the upcoming Youth Commission volunteer event for LoveModesto on April 29th along with the potential to invite friends. Staff to send out an email reminder on location and registration process.

F. Soccer for Success & Mini Pitch Program

This discussion has been tabled for the next meeting.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS & REPORTS

A. Mayor's State of the City

Commissioners reviewed the attached report and did not have any questions.

B. City Staff Updates

Staff provided Commissioners with a copy of the 2023 Summer Activity Guide.

C. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners were reminded to send photos to the Social Media Sub-Committee and to send presentation materials to the Presentation Development Sub-Committee.

IX. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

X. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m. (Modan/Pierstorff 7/0).