



City of San Leandro

City Hall
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Draft Minutes

Youth Advisory Commission

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

6:00 PM

Marina Community Center, Thunderbolt Room

1. CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 PM. Vice Chair Kayla Lam led the Pledge of Allegiance and took roll.

Present: Chair Victoria Bammer, Vice Chair Kayla Lam, Mohamad Abdellatif, Cassandra Bammer, Olivia Fernandez, Elizabeth Fraire, Kacey Guo, Annie Lei, Julia Li, Vivian Li, Megan Lin, Damian Lopez, Joshua Ngo, Kevin Parra, Jasmine Pham, Morgan Pittman, Jacqueline Wong, and Ruby Wool-Baum

Excused: Sam Fitting, Wenhui He, Ann Kieu, Violet Lau, Fedora Lei, Julianna Morales, Emilio Piñones Campos, Olive Seligman, and Jessica Woo

Absent: Jason Fang, Stephanie Lopez, and Athena Velazquez

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF June 3, 2025

Commissioner Olivia Fernandez moved to approve the agenda, with Vivian Li seconding the motion, which passed with 21 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

3.b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF May 20, 2025

Elizabeth Fraire moved to approve the minutes, with Annie Lei seconding the motion, which passed with 21 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

4. CITY STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.a. Cherry Festival and Parade

Members finalized a plan to participate in the Cherry Festival Parade on Saturday, June 7 where members will distribute hand flags along the parade route as well as walk together with the Pride banner.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No presentations.

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Outdoor Movie Night Planning

Members broke into committees to finalize event details, then reconvened to report back with final action items, including marketing efforts and the event action plan.

7.b. Recruitment Strategy for the 2025-2026 Term

Secretary Liz Hodgins reported that board and commission applications remain open on a rolling basis and encouraged current high school students to reapply, especially in light of 16 graduating seniors this term. Members were reminded of the importance of sharing the opportunity broadly and referring interested students.

7.c. Discussion of June, July, and August meetings

Commissioner Mohamad Abdellatif moved to suspend regular meetings for the summer months (June, July, and August), with Cassie seconding the motion, which passed with 21 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions.

8. COMMISSION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.a. Report of the Chair

Chair Bammer reflected on her four years of service with YAC, beginning in 2021 when meetings were held virtually. She expressed pride in the projects and events accomplished during her tenure, including her favorite, Outdoor Movie Night, to multiple blanket-making events for community donation, and supporting local events such as MLK and Cinco de Mayo Celebrations as well as the Cherry Festival. She thanked members for their time and effort, and encouraged everyone to remain engaged in their communities.

8.b. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Mohamad Abdellatif shared that a YouTube ad first inspired him to apply to YAC. He reflected on the honor of serving for three years and expressed how the experience strengthened his belief in the importance of youth voices. His time on YAC motivated him to study Politics and Government at UC Berkeley.

Commissioner Olivia Fernandez recalled being nervous when she first joined three years ago. Having been a longtime summer camp participant, volunteer, and now staff member, she appreciated the chance to stay engaged during the school year. She shared that she will pursue a minor in Political Science at

Loyola Marymount University.

Vice Chair Kayla Lam reflected on how her three years with YAC helped her gain confidence in public speaking. She shared that YAC gave her a space to express opinions thoughtfully and clearly, while also allowing her to connect with peers from different schools.

Commissioner Cassandra Bammer expressed gratitude and pride in supporting YAC's accomplishments, especially continuing the Outdoor Movie Night tradition. She shared that YAC created a space to come together, share ideas, and bring them to life. She also emphasized the value of diverse perspectives and collaborative problem-solving.

8.c. Liaison Representative Reports

Commissioner Megan Lin did not have a chance to attend the City Council meeting on June 2, 2025. Nothing to report.

9. ADJOURN

Chair Victoria Bammer moved to adjourn the meeting, with Vice Chair Kayla Lam seconding the motion, which passed with 21 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Liz Hodgins, Secretary

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