



City of San Leandro

City Hall
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Draft Minutes

Youth Advisory Commission

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

6:00 PM

Marina Community Center, Thunderbolt Room

1. CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM. Chair Violet Lau led the Pledge of Allegiance and took roll.

Present: Chair Violet Lau, Vice Chair Emilio Piñones Campos, Candace Buchanan, Nicholas Fernandez, Elizabeth Fraire, Alynna Granada, Kacey Guo, Malia Kim, Carrie Kuang, Annie Lei, Audrey Lim, Yolonda Lin, Megan Lin, Julianna Morales, Joshua Ngo, Emily Ngo, Morgan Pittman, and Kristina Saragena

Excused: Stella Cardullo and Jacqueline Wong

Absent: Angella Huang and Liam Kwong

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

On December 8, 2025, the City Council voted to adopt a resolution amending Administrative Code Title 17, Youth Advisory Commission, Section 17.1.100, to change the meeting frequency of the Youth Advisory Commission from twice monthly to once monthly.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF January 6, 2026

Commissioner Nicholas Fernandez moved to approve the agenda, with Commissioner Elizabeth Fraire seconding the motion, which passed with 18 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention

3.b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF December 2, 2025

Commissioner Candace Buchanan moved to approve the minutes with Commissioner Julianna Morales seconding the motion, which passed with 18 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

4. CITY STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.a. YAC support at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration - Saturday, January 17, 2026

Secretary Liz Hodgins provided an overview of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration and described how the Youth Advisory Commission has historically supported the event by staffing greeter, refreshment, and craft zone stations. Commissioners confirmed their availability to participate and divided into stations in preparation to serve at the event.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.a. Introduction and Volunteer Opportunities Overview by Susana Suarez, Recreation Specialist III

Susana Suarez provided an overview of the City's volunteer efforts and available opportunities. Commissioners were encouraged to create a volunteer account to stay informed by signing up through San Leandro's volunteer portal, powered by Better Impact.

7. ACTION ITEMS

7.a. Finalize YAC Term Calendar and Project Selection

Commissioners reviewed and finalized the Youth Advisory Commission term calendar and project priorities, focusing on community engagement and service, youth volunteer development, and fostering a culture of honesty, respect, and accountability. Consensus was reached on aligning projects with established goals and planned volunteer, training, and leadership activities.

8. COMMISSION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.a. Commissioner Reports

None.

8.a. Liaison Representative Reports

Commissioner Julianna Morales reported on the December 15, 2025 City Council meeting, highlighting presentations on the Proposed Rent Stabilization Program Budget and the Draft Residential Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

Commissioner Yolanda Lin reported on the January 5, 2026 City Council meeting, noting the nomination of Councilmember Viveros-Walton to serve as Vice Mayor, a call for volunteers to support the Homeless Point-In-Time Count on January 22, 2026, and public comments regarding potential action by minute order to waive or not waive attorney-client privilege applicable to an investigation report. Councilmember Bowen also shared information on early summer camp registration, opening to residents on Saturday, January 17.

Commissioner Megan Lin will attend the Recreation and Parks meeting on

January 7, 2026. For upcoming City Council meetings, Commissioner Malia Lin will attend on January 20, 2026, and Commissioner Carrie Kuang on February 2, 2026. Commissioners will report back at the next Youth Advisory Commission meeting.

9. ADJOURN

Commissioner Elizabeth Fraire moved to adjourn the meeting, with Commissioner Julianna Morales seconding the motion, which passed with 18 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Liz Hodgins, Secretary