



# City of San Leandro

City Hall  
835 East 14th Street  
San Leandro, California

## Draft Minutes

### Youth Advisory Commission

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Tuesday, May 19, 2026

6:00 PM

Marina Community Center, Thunderbolt Room

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#### SPECIAL MEETING

**1. CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM. Chair Violet Lau led the Pledge of Allegiance and took roll.

Present: Chair Violet Lau, Candace Buchanan, Nicholas Fernandez, Elizabeth Fraire, Kacey Guo, Malia Kim, Carrie Kuang, Liam Kwong, Annie Lei, Yolonda Lin, Julianna Morales, Joshua Ngo, Emily Ngo, Morgan Pittman, and Jacqueline Wong

Excused: Stella Cardullo and Kristina Saragena

Absent: Alynna Granada, Angella Huang, Audrey Lim, and Megan Lin

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**3.a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF May 19, 2026**

Commissioner Nick Fernandez moved to approve the agenda, with Commissioner Elizabeth Fraire seconding the motion, which passed with 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

**3.b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 14, 2026**

Commissioner Liam Kuang moved to approve the minutes with Commissioner Annie Lei seconding the motion, which passed with 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

**3.c. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF May 5, 2026**

Commissioner Liam Kuang moved to approve the minutes with Commissioner Annie Lei seconding the motion, which passed with 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

#### 4. CITY STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Secretary Liz Hodgins introduced an intergenerational partnership opportunity with the Senior Commission for the initiative “America 250: Our American Story.” The initiative would allow students to assist seniors in recording and uploading their personal stories to the project website. Commissioners asked when the activity would take place.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### 6. PRESENTATIONS

None.

#### 7. ACTION ITEMS

##### 7.a. Upcoming Special Events Planning

Members discussed participation in the upcoming Cherry Parade. Secretary Liz Hodgins confirmed that the parade application had been submitted on behalf of the Youth Advisory Commission (YAC). YAC members also discussed supply needs for the event and decided to pass out Pride flags along the parade route.

Members continued planning for the YAC-hosted Outdoor Movie Night scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2026, at Washington Manor Park. The group discussed supply needs and continued coordinating logistics, promotion, and on-site event support.

##### 7.b. Recruitment Planning for Next Term (2026-2027)

Members discussed additional outreach strategies, including identifying potential community sites to distribute recruitment flyers to increase visibility and engagement for the upcoming term. The group also explored the idea of creating video testimonials from current members to be shared on social media platforms to highlight their experiences and encourage applications.

In addition, members discussed the idea of hosting an “8th Grade Day,” where local eighth grade students would be invited to attend a YAC meeting to learn more about the commission and encourage future applications once they become eligible in ninth grade.

##### 7.c. YAC Graduation Stoles for Senior Members

YAC discussed purchasing graduation stoles for graduating senior members. A motion to proceed with the purchase was made by Commissioner Nick Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Elizabeth Fraire, and passed with 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions.

Secretary Liz Hodgins stated that she would place the order and send a notification once the stoles are ready for pick-up, if available before the next meeting.

## **8. COMMISSION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **8.a. Commissioner Reports**

Chair Violet Lau shared an update regarding the presentation she and Secretary Liz Hodgins gave at the Recreation and Parks Commission meeting on May 6, 2026. She noted that commissioners were engaged throughout the presentation and asked several questions about YAC programs and initiatives. YAC members reviewed the presentation slide deck and discussed the idea of creating a social media series using presentation content to increase visibility and support recruitment efforts.

### **8.b. Liaison Representative Reports**

Chair Violet Lau attended the City Council meeting on April 20, 2026, and reported on several agenda items, including the Mayor's Kindness Award presented to Darby Currey and Jennifer Ramos (Troop 30159), a proclamation declaring April 22, 2026, as Earth Day, and a resolution accepting and appropriating \$100,000 in donation funds from the Rotary Club of San Leandro to support installation of a new fitness court at Marina Park. Chair Bammer also shared updates regarding public hearings on rental programs and the motion to nominate Emilio Piñones, a former YAC member, to the Recreation and Parks Commission.

## **9. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Elizabeth Fraire moved to adjourn the meeting, with Commissioner Nicholas Fernandez seconding the motion, which passed with 15 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstention.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Liz Hodgins, Secretary