



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA**  
**SANTA BARBARA YOUTH COUNCIL**

**Monday, October 4, 2021**  
**5:15 p.m.**

**VIA TELECONGERENCE**

**<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/706043010002729743>**

**Webinar ID**

**115-344-355**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to Order at 5:17 p.m. by Chair Julia Minor.

**Youth Council Members Present**

Chair – Julia Minor  
Vice Chair – Alex Hellman  
Chenoweth, Gwen  
Chow, Alex  
Chow, Victoria  
Cruz, Sophia  
Dunn, Kent  
Manian, Sagarika  
Vander May, Amelia

**Junior High Representatives**

Thakrar, Alok

**Staff Present**

Ricardo Venegas, Youth Council Advisor  
Nicole Morgan, Youth Council Advisor

**Liaisons Present**

None

**Youth Council Members Absent**

Calzadilla, Dhaira  
Flanagin, Davis  
Goodman, Laila  
Weber, Maddie

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Nicole Morgan, Youth Council Advisor**

- Request for Youth Council Members to send their most updated contact information to Youth Council Advisor, Nicole.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **1. Subject: Approval of the Minutes – For Action (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Youth Council waive the reading and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, September 27, 2021.

It was moved and seconded by Youth Council members Hellman and Cruz respectively, to approve the minutes for the special meeting of Monday, September 27, 2021.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Members Hellman, Manian, A. Chow, V. Chow, Cruz and Vander May in favor. Members Minor, and Chenoweth abstained. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2. Subject: Youth Council Interviews – For Discussion**

Recommendation: That Youth Council interview students interested in applying to be a part of Youth Council.

Youth Council interviewed Kavya Suresh and Alok Thakrar. No action taken.

### **3. Subject: Participation in GENup – For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That Youth Council discuss participating in opportunities through GENup, a student activist social justice organization.

Youth Council Members discussed their support for a student lead group that puts educational initiatives in the forefront. Members felt that they needed more information on what working with GENup may look like. After much discussion, Chair Minor agreed to reach out to a GENup representative to provide more information or join an upcoming Youth Council Meeting in order to answer any additional questions. No action taken.

### **4. Subject: Santa Barbara Youth Council T-shirts– For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That Youth Council discuss and appoint members to design T-shirts for the year of 2021.

It was moved and seconded by Youth Council members Dunn and Vander May respectively, to approve the creation of t-shirts and appoint Members Thakrar, Chenoweth and Cruz to design.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Members Minor, Hellman, Dunn, Cruz, Manian, A. Chow, V. Chow, Chenoweth, and Vander May in favor. Motion carried.

#### **5. Subject: Youth Master Calendar – For Discussion**

Recommendation: That Youth Council discuss the master calendar of activities and special events.

Youth Council members discussed the added dates to the Master Calendar. Members were able to view event dates and will confirm via email with Chair Minor and Advisor Morgan who is able to attend. No action taken.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **1. Subject: Youth Making Change Grant Applications – For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That Youth Council discuss Youth Making Changes grant topics and appoint members to work on.

Youth Council members discussed the YMC workshop and grant due date. After much discussion, members has agreed to send their grant ideas to Chair Minor and Advisor Morgan. No action taken.

#### **2. Subject: Appointment of Youth Council Liaisons – For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That Youth Council discuss and appoint members to serve as liaisons to chosen advisory groups.

Youth Council Members discussed the need to appoint members for Neighborhood Advisory Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, and City Council. Members that wish to participate have agreed to look at their calendars and confirm with Advisor Morgan that they will be able to attend. No action taken.

#### **3. Subject: Youth Council Updates - For Information Only**

Recommendation: That each Youth Council member take up to two minutes for updating the public on specific current issues or events (ex: education, gun violence, each week can have a different topic and the Youth Council can discuss).

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Next regular meeting:      Via Teleconference  
Monday, October 18, 2021  
Start at 5:15 p.m.