

AGENDA
YOUTH COMMISSION
TELECONFERENCE
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
4:00 P.M.

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SPECIAL NOTICE DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 (superseding the Brown Act-related provisions of Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020), which allows a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, please be advised that Anaheim Youth Commission will participate in this meeting remotely.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 and given the current health concerns, members of the public can access the meeting live on-line, with audio and limited video, at <http://www.anaheim.net/4689/Youth-Commission>. In addition, members of the public can submit comments electronically for the Anaheim Youth Commission consideration by sending them to rbaltazar@anaheim.net. **To ensure distribution to the Anaheim Youth Commission prior to consideration of the agenda, please submit comments prior to 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Please include your name, address and if you are a resident of Anaheim.** Those comments, as well as any comments received after 12:00 p.m., will be distributed to the Anaheim Youth Commissioners and will be made part of the official public record of the meeting. Contact Rosa Baltazar at rbaltazar@anaheim.net with any questions.

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Allan T. Chu
Anh L. Voong
Jack D. Fennell
Zina Gorashi
Daniel J. Kuan
Melissa Retana
Derek T. Pedigo

Sofia N. Roman
Olivia Enriquez
Joel C. Saldivar
Aris Castro
Asher A. Parra
Joe Gonzalez
Dylan Rice

STAFF:

Brian Chwan, Community Services Supervisor
Rosa Baltazar, Office Supervisor

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION
4. SCHEDULED COMMUNICATION
5. CORRESPONDENCE
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 14, 2020
7. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Presentation on Mental Health Services – AUHSD – Adela Cruz, School Mental Health Coordinator
 - b) Presentation on Homeless Outreach Team, Community Policing, and Policing Policies - Anaheim Police Department – Lt. Lorenzo Glenn
 - c) Chair & Vice Chair Appointments
 - d) Youth Commission Branding and Logo – Commissioner Pedigo
8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
 - a) West Anaheim Neighborhood Development Tree Lighting – December 4 , 2020
 - b) Nutcracker Christmas Tree Lighting – December 5, 2020
9. ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting will be held virtually on **Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.**

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Please notify Rosa Ballazar with your attendance status no later than 12 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at rballazar@anaheim.net or (714) 765-5130.

MINUTES

YOUTH COMMISSION TELECONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Chu, Allen T.
Voong, Anh L.
Fennell, Jack D.
Gorashi, Zina
Kuan, Daniel J.
Retana Melissa
Pedigo, Derek T.
Roman, Sofia N.
Enriquez, Olivia
Parra, Asher A.
Gonzalez, Joe
Saldivar, Joel C.
Castro, Aris

STAFF PRESENT:

Joe Perez, Community Services Superintendent
Brian Chwan, Community Services Supervisor
Rosa Baltazar, Office Supervisor
Eleanor Granflor, Senior Secretary

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Rice, Dylan

AGENDA

ACTION TAKEN

1. CALL TO ORDER: The Youth Commission meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Brian Chwan.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Pedigo led the Commission in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: None
4. CORRESPONDENCE: None
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Brian Chwan presented the September 16, 2020 Minutes to the Youth Commissioners for changes and/or corrections. Commissioner Fennell made a motion to approve the September 16, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Pedigo; motion was approved with twelve votes in favor. Brian Chwan accepted the minutes.
6. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Homeless Programs in Anaheim – Commissioner Gorashi spoke to the board and asked how City residents can receive information regarding homeless programs in the City of Anaheim and how residents could locate them.

Brian Chwan informed the Youth Commission and Commissioner Gorashi of the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), managed by the Anaheim Police Department, nonprofits and faith based partnerships, and Neighborhood Services outreach. Brian Chwan also discussed the opportunity to propose any motion for action from the Commission.

Joe Perez also shared homeless outreach programs offered by City Net, APD Homeless Outreach Team, and the challenges the City is facing with displaced families in the community. Joe also informed the Commissioners that City of Anaheim staff / City Net can be invited to the next Youth Commission meeting to provide information on how the City of Anaheim is working towards addressing homelessness in Anaheim.

Commissioner Gorashi made a motion to approve a presentation on Homeless Programs in Anaheim. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pedigo; motion was approved with 12 votes in favor. Brian Chwan accepted the motion to approve a presentation on Homeless Programs in Anaheim and would make arrangements for a presentation at the next meeting scheduled for November 18, 2020.

- b. Discuss how residents can express, advocate, and spread awareness about their concerns to City Council – Commissioner Gorashi proposed the use of an Instagram account to provide Anaheim youth and residents with information of upcoming City Council meetings, resident feedback, and concerns that affect the community directly. The proposed Instagram page would be managed by the Youth Commission with oversight by City Staff.

Joe Perez informed the Youth Commission that the City of Anaheim has an existing Instagram account and shared that the Youth Commission could help direct residents to our current City of Anaheim social media pages.

Commissioner Saldivar shared that he agreed with Commissioner Gorashi that more needs to be done to make youth and residents aware of the things happening at City Hall. Commissioner Saldivar added that he wanted to know if the public could participate in a City Council meeting during the pandemic.

Brian Chwan added that all communications will be addressed at council meetings. He also shared that all comments should be submitted to publiccomment@anaheim.net two hours prior to the start of a City Council to the City Clerk. For council meeting agendas visit www.anaheim.net/councilagendas.

Brian Chwan and Joe Perez will bring information to the Youth Commission as it relates to the different platforms used to share City of Anaheim information.
- c. Police Brutality, Community Policing, and Improving local law enforcement policies - Commissioner Gorashi would like to pass a proposed law enforcement reform bill and is asking how she can present this proposed bill to the City of Anaheim policy makers.

Joe Perez advised that Commissioner Gorashi reach out to the Anaheim Chief of Police to engage in a conversation regarding the proposed bill. Brian Chwan stated that a motion can be made to the Youth Commission to receive additional information from the Anaheim Police Department in the form of a presentation.

Commissioner Saldivar asked what the bill is about and asked Commissioner Gorashi about any current cases of police brutality. Commissioner Gorashi responded that the bill is to create boundaries and accountability by the police department and the effects it has on citizens of Anaheim. Commissioner Gorashi explained that it was in no way to disrespect the Anaheim Police Department.

Commissioner Gorashi made a motion to have a presentation provided about community policing, police policies, police brutality, and general policing practices. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pedigo; the motion was approved with seven votes in favor. Brian Chwan accepted the motion to approve a presentation about current policing practices at the next meeting scheduled for November 18, 2020.
- d. Mental Health Awareness and access to support – Commissioner Gorashi would like to know if schools could have more therapists in schools who focus on addressing mental health, specifically the Anaheim Union High School District. Commissioner Saldivar requested to learn more about therapists in school. Commissioner Fennell informed the Commission that the Anaheim Union High School District already has a youth well-being commission.

Joe Perez informed the Youth Commission that a motion can be made to have a presentation brought to the Commission regarding therapists addressing mental health at the Anaheim Union High School District as an informational item from any Youth Commissioner.

Commissioner Gorashi made a motion to have a presentation provided about mental health from the Anaheim Union High School District. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pedigo; the motion was approved with

11 votes in favor. Brian Chwan accepted the motion to approve a presentation about mental health from the Anaheim Union High School District at the next meeting scheduled for November 18, 2020.

- e. Keeping political views of teachers and administrators out of school settings. Refocusing education on civic responsibility without influencing student's political beliefs – Commissioner Saldivar shared that he feels that teachers should not be able to share their political views with students in a classroom setting.
- f. Brian Chwan and Joe Perez advised that this item should be brought to the Anaheim Union High School Board to address his concerns related to keeping political views of teachers and administrators out of school settings.
- g. Freedom of school choice – Commissioner Saldivar proposed that students should have the freedom to choose their own schools.
- h. Brian Chwan and Joe Perez advised that this item should be brought to the Anaheim Union High School Board to discuss freedom of school choice.
- i. Engagement and partnership with school districts – Commissioner Saldivar proposed that residents should be informed of programs such as the Anaheim Youth Commission and is asking for a greater partnership with school districts in and around.
- j. Joe Perez advised the Commission that this item can be addressed using the City of Anaheim social media page for future engagement and partnership with school districts.
- k. Promotion of City Programs, such as Cops 4 Kids and the Boxing Program – Commissioner Saldivar proposed to expand advertisement of promotion of City Programs, such as Cops 4 Kids, and Boxing Program.
- l. Brian Chwan and Joe Perez informed the board that social media can be a platform to expand knowledge of these programs located at the Downtown Anaheim Youth Center.
- m. City recognition of outstanding youth in the community – Commissioner Saldivar proposed to give recognitions to youth involved in city-wide special events, volunteer service, youth outreach, and build a platform to offer more information for future volunteer opportunities in the City of Anaheim.
- n. Commissioner Retana also added that the county shares volunteer information on their social media page and should share the information to City of Anaheim youth via social media.
- o. Brian Chwan informed the board that the City currently has a program in conjunction with the Anaheim Lion's Club that recognizes the Anaheim Youth of the Year. Three scholarships are given to those selected for their services and volunteer work. Social media can be used to expand the knowledge of future volunteer opportunities.
- p. School safety – Commissioner Saldivar shared with the board his observation of school safety on campuses. School gates are easily breached and he would like to address school safety city-wide.
- q. Brian Chwan informed the board that this item should be discussed with the Anaheim Union High School Board.
- r. Youth Commission branding and logo – Brian Chwan presented information regarding the development of the future Youth Commission Logo.
- s. Joe Perez asked the board if anyone had any experience in graphic design and if they would like to see the design created by previous Youth Commission members.

Commissioner Pedigo shared with the Youth Commission that he has graphic design experience and was interested in creating ideas for the logo to be used for the board.

New Business Note: Joe Perez informed the Youth Commissioners that they are able to represent themselves as a Commission member, but cannot represent the Youth Commission as a whole. Advance notice is greatly appreciated as a courtesy to make Brian Chwan aware of their participation in other meetings or events where they are representing themselves as a Youth Commissioner.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Joe Perez and Brian Chwan congratulated all Youth Commissioners for joining the commission. Brian Chwan shared information regarding the upcoming Anaheim Fall Festival - <https://www.anaheimfallfestival.org>.

Brian Chwan and Joe Perez reminded the Commissioners that they will be nominating a Chair and Vice-Chair at the following Youth Commission meeting scheduled for November 18, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT: Brian Chwan adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m. and reported that the next virtual meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.