



CITY OF MILPITAS

Youth Advisory Commission

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:01 pm

Thursday, May 8, 2025

40 N. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035

- CALL TO ORDER** Chair Huang called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Chair Huang called roll.
- ROLL CALL** **PRESENT:** Commissioner Ashton Chen, Nia Gupte, Crystal Huang, Nitya Kaki, Srinand Mudunuri, Samyuktha “Sam” Rangarajan and Parnika Sadhu
- ABSENT:** Commissioners Ayanna Median Ashby and Vienna Sun
- City Liaison:** Councilmember Hon Lien
- City Staff:** Vince Collantes – Program Coordinator
Ming Chen – Public Service Assistant II
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Chair Huang led the pledge of allegiance.
- ALTERNATE SEATING** Commissioner Chen and Sadhu was seated as a voting member.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** **MOTION** to approve the Special Meeting Agenda for May 8, 2025.
M/S: Huang/Gupte **AYES:** All
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **MOTION** to approve the Minutes for April 24, 2025.
M/S: Sun/Sadhu **AYES:** All
ABSTAIN: Kaki
- PUBLIC FORUM** There were no comments made from the public.
- ANNOUNCEMENTS** There were no announcements.
- BUSINESS ITEMS**
- A. Genesys Alert and Warning System Presentation – Toni Charlop, C.E.M., Emergency Management Coordinator – Fire**
- Recommendation:** Receive presentation on Genesys alert and warning system
- Staff and the Commission received the presentation from the Emergency Management Coordinator, Toni Charlop.
- B. 2025-26 Work Plan Discussion**
- Recommendation:** Discuss ideas for the 2025-26 Work Plan. Assign Commissioners to research work plan ideas needing additional follow up. Commissioners to present ideas in the June 2025 meeting.
- The Commission had a brief discussion of past events and current work plan. Will present ideas during the next regular scheduled meeting.

C. Youth Spelling Bee Competition

Recommendation: Receive updates from the Youth Spelling Bee Competition.

Subcommittee: Commissioners Chen, Gupte, and Huang

This years' Youth Spelling Bee Competition will be held on May 31, from 4:30 to 8 p.m., at the Barbara Lee Senior Center.

There will be three judges in total, Mr. Mock, Mr. Mendoza, and Commissioner Gupte. Commissioner Kaki will MC the event, Commissioners Chen and Mudunuri will be at the check in table, Commissioner Huang and Sadhu will organize the event, Commissioner Rangarajan will be working the concessions, and Commissioner Sun will be a floater.

Commission will help cohost the informational meeting on May 24. The Commission is requesting that staff purchase chips, water, juice, capri sun, and pizza for the concession booth.

MOTION to approve the logistics above and for staff to purchase items for the concession booth.

M/S: Huang/Gupte

AYES: All

D. College Workshop

Recommendation: Receive updates from the Volleyball Competition subcommittee.

Subcommittee: Commissioners Gupte, Mundunuri, and Sadhu

The College Workshop will be held on May 21, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Milpitas Teen Center. The workshop will be hosted both in person and virtually. Water will be provided to any attendees.

Commissioners Chen and Mudunuri will be the presenters for the College Workshop. Commissioner Kaki will help with check-in and Commissioner Huang will monitor any messages.

MOTION to approve presentation and staff to purchase water for the event.

M/S: Huang/Mundunuri

AYES: All

E. Community Service Scholarship

Recommendation: Discuss promotion of the Community Service Scholarship.

Staff and the Commission reviewed the scholarship and agreed to promote the scholarship to local schools.

MOTION to approve the help promote the Youth Advisory Commission Community Service Scholarship to local high schools.

M/S: Huang/Gupte

AYES: All

F. Volleyball Competition

Recommendation: Debrief the Volleyball drop-in night.

The Commission shared their view of Volleyball Drop-In night. The popular sentiment was that the drop-in night was just another regular drop-in sports night and would like to host a Volleyball Competition next year.

LIAISON REPORT

A. Report from Councilmember

Councilmember Lien shared with the Commission of the new interim City Manager and the Memorial Day celebration on May 17. Would like to extend an early congratulations to the Commissioners who will be graduating High School and leaving the Commission by the end of the current school year.

B. Report from City Liaison

Staff updated the Commission of the Milpitas Youth Force, upcoming Teen Center and City events.

UPCOMING AGENDA

2025-26 Work Plan
Youth Spelling Bee Competition
Community Service Scholarship
College Workshop

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Huang adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.