



# CITY OF MILPITAS

## Youth Advisory Commission

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### REGULAR MEETING

### AGENDA

6:00 P.M.

Thursday, January 8, 2026  
Milpitas Teen Center  
40 N. Milpitas Blvd.  
Room 140/141

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Seating of Alternates**
5. **Approval of Agenda:** January 8, 2026
6. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** November 13, 2025
7. **Public Forum**

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8. **Announcements**
9. **Business Items**
  - a. **Commission Advisory Area Discussion**

Background: As part of the Commission's Work Plan, the Commission is to discuss and provide high-level feedback and suggestions regarding youth and teen concerns, areas that need improvement or need to be focused on, and advise City Council on pertinent youth and teen topics. In the previous meeting, the Commission discussed bullying in depth and strategies to address it. Staff Liaison Collantes encouraged for the Commission to consider potential solutions for preventing and responding to bullying and to continue discussions in the December meeting.

Recommendation: Continue discussions on bullying and any other topics, challenges, and concerns that Commissioners have observed pertaining to youth and teens in our community.

b. **Commission Volunteering**

Background: As part of the Commission's Work Plan, the Commission will volunteer and support Milpitas Teen Center events and the annual Teen Center Halloween event, City events, and provide volunteer opportunities for Milpitas teens in partnership with the Milpitas Teen Center.

Recommendation: Debrief the past events that the Commission volunteered for. Review upcoming volunteering assignments. Continue discussions on volunteer opportunities for Milpitas teens.

c. **College Workshop**

Background: As part of the Commission's Work Plan, the Commission would like to host a college workshop in December 2025. The workshop would be led by a community-based organization. In the previous meeting, the Commission decided to push the College Workshop to April 2026. Commissioner Yu was assigned to create a survey to gauge interest and determine what topic the workshop should cover.

Recommendation: Review the survey. Receive updates on the college workshop. Continue discussing logistics for the workshop.

d. **Year-Round Sports with Milpitas Teen Center**

Background: As part of the Commission's Work Plan, the Commission would like to host 4-6 drop-in sports days at the Milpitas Sports Center in partnership with the Milpitas Teen Center. In the previous meeting, Commissioner Gandhi was assigned to create a flyer for the drop-in sports days.

Recommendation: Review flyer. Continue discussing drop-in sports logistics.

e. **Youth Spelling Bee Competition**

Background: As part of the Commission's Work Plan, the Commission would like to continue hosting the annual Youth Spelling Bee Competition. The Commission would like to host this in March 2026.

Recommendation: Discuss logistics for the competition.

**10. City Liaison Reports**

- a. Report from Councilmember
- b. Report from City Staff

**11. Upcoming Agenda Items – City Staff**

- a. Commission Advisory Area Discussion
- b. Volunteering
- c. College Workshop
- d. Year-Round Sports with Milpitas Teen Center
- e. Youth Spelling Bee Competition

**12. Adjournment**

- a. The next Youth Advisory Commission meeting will be on Thursday, February 12, 2025, at the Milpitas Teen Center Room 140/141 starting at 6:00 p.m.

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## Youth Advisory Commission

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:00 pm

Thursday, November 13, 2025

40 N. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rangarajan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chair Rangarajan called roll.

#### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Vihana Gandhi, Vivian Martin, Samyuktha “Sam” Rangarajan, Shaan Sankaran (6:05 p.m.), Annie Yu (6:18 p.m.), and Sherry Yu

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Parnika Sadhu

**City Liaison:** None

**City Staff:** Vince Collantes – Program Coordinator  
Ming Chen – Public Service Assistant II

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Rangarajan lead the pledge of allegiance.

#### ALTERNATE SEATING

Commissioner Martin was seated as a voting member.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION** to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda for November 13, 2025.

**M/S:** Rangarajan/Gandhi

**AYES:** All

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2025.

**M/S:** Rangarajan/S. Yu

**AYES:** All

#### PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members from the public in attendance.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

#### BUSINESS ITEMS

##### A. Advisory Area Discussion

**Recommendation:** Discuss any topics, challenges, and concerns that Commissioners have observing pertaining to youth and teens in our community.

The Commission shared concerns regarding social withdrawal, bullying and fights and provided suggestions to help alleviate problems. Discussions will continue in the next regular scheduled meeting.

##### B. Commission Volunteering at Teen Center Events

**Recommendation:** Debrief the past events that the Commission volunteered for. Review upcoming volunteering assignments. Continue discussing volunteer opportunities for Milpitas teens.

Commissioners gave their experiences from volunteering in recent events, brainstormed future volunteering opportunities, and suggest hosting a card

making drive at the Teen Center. Commissioner A. Yu shared to Staff and Commission of the draft flyer and application.

**MOTION** to approve the application and flyer for the Card Making Drive.

**M/S:** Rangarajan/A. Yu

**AYES:** All

**ABSTAIN:** A. Yu, Sankaran

### **C. College Workshop**

**Recommendation:** Finalize all college workshop logistics.

The Commission discussed moving the workshop to a later time and suggested sending out a survey to gather additional feedback on the type of college workshop to host.

**MOTION** for Commissioner A. Yu to create a survey to gauge interest and to push the workshop to April 2026.

**M/S:** Rangarajan/Gandhi

**AYES:** All

**ABSTAIN:** A. Yu, Sankaran

### **D. Year-Round Sports with Milpitas Teen Center**

**Recommendation:** Discuss drop-in sports logistics including what days to host drop-in sports, what additional sports to add, and promotion of drop-in sports.

Commission would like to survey local students to see what sports to host.

**MOTION** for Commissioner Vihana to create a flyer for the drop-in sports and to push the event to next year.

**M/S:** Rangarajan/Vihana

**AYES:** All

**ABSTAIN:** A. Yu, Sankaran

### **A. Report from Councilmember**

No report was given.

### **B. Report from City Liaison**

Staff shared with the Commission of current and upcoming City events and Teen Center events.

## **UPCOMING AGENDA**

Advisory Area Discussion, Volunteering, College Workshop, Year-Round Sports

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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