



YOUTH COMMISSION

City Hall—Council Chambers, 590 40th Ave NE

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

6:00 PM

MINUTES

The following are the minutes for the Meeting of the Youth Commission held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 590 40th Avenue NE, Columbia Heights, Minnesota.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Hernandez Monroy.

ROLL CALL/STATUS OF MEMBERSHIP

Members Present: Commissioners Ali, Garcia Genis, Hernandez Monroy, Hussein, Israelson, Johnson, Marquez, Solem, Rogne, Williams

Council Liaison: Mayor Márquez Simula

Members Absent: Mamo, Marquez, Novitsky, Kucera, Tabor

Also Present: Sara Ion, City Clerk; Ben Sandell, Communications Coordinator.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The October 12, 2022, Agenda was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome New Youth Commission Members.

Staff Representative Ben Sandell and City Clerk Sara Ion welcomed new commission members, presented a brief overview of the By-Laws and Robert's Rules of Order, and answered questions.

Presentation by Streets/Parks Superintendent David Cullen.

Item was postponed to November meeting; guest was unable to attend.

Discussion of upcoming volunteer opportunities with Community Engagement Specialist Will Rottler.

Community Engagement Specialist Rottler discussed upcoming events that he would like to invite the Commissioners to volunteer at. He also discussed the timeline related to planning events and what the lead time looks like related to planning small, medium, and large events.

Mayor Márquez Simula Presents Proclamation Proposal.

Mayor Márquez Simula asked the Commissioners about presenting proclamations at the fourth Monday City Council meetings of the Month. She would love to have help presenting these items to Community members. Commissioner Israelson had recently presented the library month proclamation

and offered to assist with the upcoming October proclamations as well.

Officer Elections: Nominations and Voting for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Commissioner Ali, Hernandez Monroy and Israelson each gave a presentation on why they felt they would be the best Chair of the Youth Commission. A vote was held following the presentations and Commissioner Ali was elected to the position of Chair of the Youth Commission for the October 2022 – September 2023 term.

Commissioner Israelson, Rogne and Solem each gave a presentation on why they would be the best Vice Chair of the Youth Commission. A vote was held following the presentations and Commissioner Rogne was elected to the position of Vice Chair of the Youth Commission for the October 2022 – September 2023 term.

Commissioner Garcia Genis and Hussein each gave a presentation on why they would be the best Secretary / Treasurer of the Youth Commissioner. A vote was held following the presentations and Commissioner Hussein was elected to the position of Vice Chair of the Youth Commission for the October 2022 – September 2023 term.

Chair Ali took over running the meeting at this time.

Future Meeting Attendance

Communications Coordinator Sandell discussed with the group that now that the 2022-2023 term has begun there will need to be a tighter focus on the bylaws and attendance. There are three allowed absences per term, and the Commission needs to determine when someone should be advised that they are in jeopardy of being removed from the Youth Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ali adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sara Ion, City Clerk