

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
COMMISSION ON YOUTH AND
FAMILIES MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023
DR. THOMAS J. CLARK COMMUNITY CENTER
BRIDGE ROOM, 2800 N. STUDEBAKER ROAD,
6:00 PM**

Jonathan Schnack, Chair
Sara Zaidi, Vice Chair
Gillian Doplemore, Member
Karla Gonzalez, Member



Ennette Morton, Member
Seema Paul, Member
Charles D. Smith, Member
Andrea Sulsona, Member

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Commission on Youth and Families meeting was called to order by Chair Schnack at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Joy Warren took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Commissioners Gillian Doplemore, Ennette Morton, Charles D. Smith, Andrea

Present: Sulsona, Sara Zaidi and Jonathan Schnack

Commissioners Karla Gonzalez and Seema Paul

Excused:

GUESTS PRESENT

Vivian Malauulu
Cornelious VanStygeren

STAFF PRESENT

Brent Dennis
Joy Warren
Brittany Howe

ELECTIONS

Joy Warren spoke.

Chair Schnack nominated Commissioner Zaidi as Chair, this was seconded by Commissioner Morton.

Yes: 6 - Ennette Morton, Charles D. Smith, Andrea Sulsona, Jonathan Schnack, Gillian Dopelmore

Excused - Seema Paul

Abstain - Sara Zaidi

Chair Zaidi nominated Commissioner Morton as Vice Chair, this was seconded by Commissioner Sulsona.

Yes: 6 - Sara Zaidi, Charles D. Smith, Andrea Sulsona, Jonathan Schnack, Gillian Dopelmore

Excused - Seema Paul

Abstain - Ennette Morton

Joy Warren requested to move the order of the meeting.

Brent Dennis then provided the staff report.

FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Schnack led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Joy Warren and the Commission thanked former Youth and Families Commissioner Vivian Malauulu for her service to the Commission.

Cornelious VanStygeren presented for Child Celebration, Incorporated.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

23-040CY Recommendation to approve the Commission on Youth and Families meeting minutes of November 16th, 2022.

Chair Zaidi spoke.

Commissioner Schnack made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Commission on Youth and Families meeting minutes of November 16th, 2022.

Yes: 6 - Gillian Doplemore, Ennette Morton, Charles D. Smith, Andrea Sulsona, Sara Zaidi and Jonathan Schnack

Excused: 2 - Karla Gonzalez and Seema Paul

STAFF REPORT

23-041CY Recommendation to receive and file the staff reports from November 2022 and December 2022.

Chair Zaidi spoke.

Joy Warren spoke.

Commissioner Sulsona spoke.

Commissioner Morton spoke.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schnack, seconded by Commissioner Sulsona, to receive and file the staff reports from November 2022 and December 2022.

Yes: 6 - Gillian Doplemore, Ennette Morton, Charles D. Smith, Andrea Sulsona, Sara Zaidi and Jonathan Schnack

Excused: 2 - Karla Gonzalez and Seema Paul

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report.

COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

ANNUAL FORUM COMMITTEE

Sara Zaidi - Chair

No report.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Jonathan Schnack - Chair

No report.

STRATEGIC PLAN FOR YOUTH & EMERGING ADULTS COMMITTEE

Sara Zaidi - Chair

Joy Warren spoke. The Office of Youth Development will relay questions to the Commission regarding this Committee's activities.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Chair Zaidi spoke.

Commissioner Sulsona spoke.

Commissioner Smith spoke.

Commissioner Morton spoke.

Commissioner Dopelmore spoke.

NEXT MEETING

The next Commission meeting will take place on March 15th at 6:00 p.m. in a location to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zaidi adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

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