

# City of Fresno

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, December 17, 2020

5:30 PM

Regular Meeting

Zoom Video Conference

## Fresno Youth Commission

*Chair Luis Guzman (CD 4), 1st Vice Chair Gabriela Martinez\* (CD 6),  
2nd Vice Chair Daniel Galvan\* (CD 3), Sergeant of Arms Jesus Lopez  
(Mayor's Office), Commissioners: McKay Duran\* (Mayor's Office),  
J'Ryana Horne\* (CD 1), Evelyn Gamble\* (CD 2), Dylan Keosakdy\* (CD  
7), and Janette Vergara (CD 7). Vacant: CD 4\*, CD5\*, CD 1 Alternate, CD  
2 Alternate, CD 3 Alternate, CD 5 Alternate, and CD 6 Alternate*

*Coordinators:*

*Jose Espinoza - Youth Leadership Institute*

*Marco Martinez - Office of the City Clerk*

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*5. The City of Fresno thanks you in advance for taking all precautions to prevent spreading the COVID-19 virus.*

## **1. Call to Order**

*The Fresno Youth Commission met in regular session on Thursday, December 17, 2020 through video teleconference. Chair Guzman called the*

*meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.*

## **2. Roll Call (\* indicates a Voting Seat)**

*Present: 8 – Chair Luis Guzman (CD 4), 1st Vice Chair Gabriela Martinez\*, 2nd Vice Chair Daniel Galvan\* (CD3), Sergeant of Arms Jesus Lopez (Mayor's Office), Commissioner McKayDuran\* (Mayor's Office), Commissioner J'Ryana Horne\* (CD 1), Commissioner Evelyn Gamble\* (CD 2), and Commissioner Janette Vergara (CD 7)*

*Absent: 1 – Commissioner Dylan Keosakdy\* (CD 7)*

*Vacancies: 7 – voting seats for CD 4 and CD 5; and alternate seats for CD1, CD 2, CD 3, CD 5, and CD 6*

*If a voting member is absent, the alternate counterpart exercises motion and voting rights during that period of absence.*

*CD = Council District*

*Commissioner Horne was absent for roll call and joined the meeting at 6:15 P.M.*

## **3. Approve Agenda**

*Youth Leadership Institute (YLI) Program Manager Jose Espinoza advised that Councilmember-elect Tyler Maxwell, Council District 4, is unable to attend the meeting and requested item ID 21-063 be removed from the agenda.*

*On motion of Commissioner Duran, seconded by Commissioner Gamble, that the agenda for December 17, 2020 be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following roll-call vote:*

*Ayes - 6: Duran, Galvan, Gamble, Guzman, Martinez, and Vergara*

*Noes - 0: None*

*Absent - 1: Horne*

## **4. Ice Breaker / Team Builder / Capacity Building Training**

*An ice breaker was conducted. At the request of Program Manager*

*Espinoza, commissioners competed to seek and present items.  
Commissioners also shared their Christmas break plans.*

## **5. Commissioners / Staff - Reports and Comments**

*Program Manager Espinoza reported that Councilmember Miguel Arias renewed 2nd Vice Chair Daniel Galvan's term on the Fresno Youth Commission. 2nd Vice Chair Galvan will serve a second term.*

*No other reports or comments made.*

## **6. Approve Minutes**

[ID 21-065](#) Minutes for November 12, 2020

*On motion of Commissioner Gamble, seconded by Chair Guzman, that the minutes for November 12, 2020 be approved. The motion carried by the following roll-call vote:*

*Ayes - 6: Duran, Galvan, Gamble, Guzman, Martinez, and Vergara*

*Noes - 0: None*

*Absent - 1: Horne*

## **7. Presentations / Workshops / Action Items**

- [ID 21-063](#)
1. Transit policy presentation by Councilmember-elect Tyler Maxwell, Council District 4
  2. Discussion and actions pertaining to the transit policy presentation

*This item was removed from the agenda.*

[ID 21-064](#) Discussion and actions pertaining to the selection of officer positions for the Fresno Youth Commission

*Program Manager Espinoza provided information regarding the roles and responsibilities for the elected positions. Chair Guzman asked for nominations for the various elected positions.*

*Commissioner Duran nominated Commissioner Gamble for the position of Chair.*

*Commissioner Gamble nominated Commissioner Duran for the position of*

*1st Vice Chair.*

*Commissioner Gamble nominated 1st Vice Chair Martinez for the position of 2nd Vice Chair.*

*Chair Guzman nominated 2nd Vice Chair Galvan for the position of Sgt. of Arms.*

*No other nominations were received.*

*On motion of 2nd Vice Chair Galvan, seconded by Commissioner Horne, that the above elected officer positions be approved and certified. The motion carried by the following roll-call vote:*

*Ayes - 7: Duran, Galvan, Gamble, Guzman, Horne, Martinez, and Vergara*

*Noes - 0: None*

*Absent - 0: None*

*City Clerk's Office Coordinator Marco Martinez advised the new officers can assume their elected positions at the next meeting.*

[ID 21-066](#)     Updates, discussion and actions pertaining to the Violence Youth Summit and rising community violence

*Program Manager Espinoza summarized the findings of the Youth Summit and requested the ad hoc committee's update. Ad hoc committee members Galvan, Martinez and Vergara reported they had not received communication from the organization Faith in the Valley. Program Manager Espinoza indicated he would invite the organization to a future Fresno Youth Commission meeting.*

*No further action was taken on this item.*

[ID 21-067](#)     Updates, discussion and actions pertaining to the COVID-19 Pandemic in relation to matters concerning youth issues, including, but not limited to back-to-school education materials, equipment, and resources

*Program Manager Espinoza discussed the possibility of a future federal stimulus related to COVID-19. He encouraged the commissioners to discuss and ask members of their communities about their COVID-19 needs. The recommendations gathered by the commissioners could be presented to*

*City Council. Coordinator Martinez offered to send the commissioners samples of the contracts City Council approved for non-profits in order to gather information and ideas.*

*Commissioner Duran recommended providing resources for back-to-school, drive through distributions, or joining another organization at an event. Coordinator Martinez encouraged the commission to participate in ways that do not require face-to-face contact.*

*Program Manager Espinoza discussed the work of the YLI communications team and recommended the Fresno Youth Commission to work with YLI to collect and disseminate resources for youth through social media campaigns. Several commissioners expressed interest.*

*Without opposition, Chair Guzman appointed Commissioners Duran and Gamble to an ad hoc committee to work with the YLI communications team on the social media campaigns. Sgt. of Arms Lopez recommended the ad hoc be named 2021 Operation Give Back. The recommendation was accepted.*

*No further action was taken on this item.*

[ID 21-069](#) Discuss and approve the Fresno Youth Commission meeting schedule for December 2020 through February 2021

*The commissioners discussed their agendas and availability. The previously approved meeting date for January 7, 2021 was removed. The following meeting dates were approved: January 14, 2021, January 28, 2021, and February 11, 2021. All meeting times are for 5:15 P.M.*

*On motion of Commissioner Duran, seconded by Commissioner Gamble, that the meeting for January 7, 2021 be removed, and the above discussed meeting dates and time be approved. The motion carried by the following roll-call vote:*

*Ayes - 7: Duran, Galvan, Gamble, Guzman, Horne, Martinez, and Vergara*

*Noes - 0: None*

*Absent - 0: None*

## **8. Committee Reports and Actions**

[ID 21-070](#)

Fresno Youth Commission boards and committees' communications, reports, assignments and/or appointments, reappointments, removals to/from Commission and non-Commission boards and committees:

1. Community Engagement Ad Hoc Committee (Duran, Gamble and Martinez)
2. Billboard Justice Ad Hoc Committee (Gamble, Guzman, and Martinez)
3. Civic Engagement Award (Rising Youth Award) Ad Hoc Committee (Duran, Gamble, Guzman, and Martinez)
4. Civic Learning Partnership Committee (Duran and Guzman)
5. Social Media Committee (Guzman and Martinez)
6. Youth Jobs Task Force (Guzman, Keosakdy, and Lopez)
7. Other Committee Reports

*No reports given or actions taken.*

## **9. Calendar Items**

*No announcements made.*

## **10. Public Comments**

*No public comments made.*

## **11. Adjournment**

*Chair Guzman adjourned the meeting at 7:10 P.M.*