

**LIVERMORE AREA YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**TELECONFERENCE:**

**Zoom dial in phone number:**

1 669 900 6833

**ZOOM WEBINAR ID:** 829 6005 7154

**ZOOM WEBINAR LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82960057154>

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Choudhury called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Vice Chair Choudhury: I would like to remind everyone this meeting is being recorded. This meeting is being conducted pursuant to provisions of the Brown Act and recent Executive Orders issued by the Governor to facilitate teleconferencing to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission at public meetings. The City of Livermore has met all the applicable noticing requirements, and the public is welcome to participate in this meeting.

I'm going to take a few moments to explain the process we'll be using in this meeting. Tonight, we are using the Zoom meeting platform. Members of the public can participate by submitting public comment through the Zoom Q&A feature. The Zoom meeting link is available on the City of Livermore website and on the agenda.

When participating in tonight's meeting, one comment may be submitted per person, per item. Comments should be no more than 500 words. If you submit multiple comments for a single item, the last comment will be read into the record, and remaining comments will be added to the meeting record. The public comment period closes at the conclusion of the comments being read into the record.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Commissioner/Liaison	Present	Absent	Commissioner/Liaison	Present	Absent
Evelyn Arroyo (C)	X		Ajaib Sidhu (C)	X	
Denica Bellucci (C)	X		Daphne Yan (C)	X	
Miraya Choudhury (C)	X		Alicia Zhang (C)		X
Minhnha Kawamura (C)	X		Michael Zhang (C)	X	
Elizabeth Ludwig (C)	X		Tony Gnecco (AC)	X	
Arthur Mola (C)		X	Heather Mackey (AC)	X	

Amelia Nelson (C)	X		Tambra Mola (AC)		X
Ashna Pattanayak (C)	X		Darrel Avilla (L)	X	
Tanvi Sri Sai Penugonda (C)	X		Nancy Blair (L)	X	
Christian V. Quindipan	X		Lynn Gardner (L)	X	
Sian Salazar (C)	X		Holly Friden (SS)	X	

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Meeting minutes of the regular meeting on April 12, 2021.

On the item to approve minutes of the regular meeting on April 12, 2021 brought by Vice Chair Choudhury, motioned by Commissioner Yan and seconded by Secretary Arroyo, the motion passed unanimously. There were no amendments to the minutes.

Commissioner	AYE	NAY	Abst.	Absent	Commissioner	AYE	NAY	Abst.	Absent
Evelyn Arroyo (C)	X				Ajaib Sidhu (C)	X			
Denica Bellucci (C)	X				Daphne Yan (C)	X			
Miraya Choudhury (C)	X				Alicia Zhang (C)				X
Minhnha Kawamura (C)	X				Michael Zhang (C)	X			
Elizabeth Ludwig (C)	X								
Arthur Mola (C)				X					
Amelia Nelson (C)	X								
Ashna Pattanayak (C)	X								
Tanvi Sri Sai Penugonda (C)	X								
Christian V. Quindipan (C)	X								
Sian Salazar (C)	X								

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- In conformance with the Brown Act, no action can occur on items not on the agenda.
- Please submit comments via Zoom Q&A. The advisory body liaison will read comments into the record.
- Comments are limited to a maximum of 500 words per person.
- None.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

- None.

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

- None.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

### 7.a Subcommittee Updates

#### - Climate Change:

- o **General**
- o **Letter // LARPD Board Presentation**
  - Commissioner Kawamura: We met last week and completed the letter. We're attending the LARPD meeting this Thursday, May 6 to present the letter to their Board.
  - Vice Chair Choudhury: Can you please remind us of what's in the letter?
  - Commissioner Kawamura: We're asking for more recycling at the Robert Livermore Community Center and the tennis courts; we discuss why recycling's beneficial; finally, how it's sometimes hard to find recycling bins throughout the city.

#### - COVID Relief:

- o **General**
- o **Fertile GroundWorks Volunteering (May Dates; Project Volunteers)**
  - Commissioner Bellucci: The Blood Drive is May 14. If Commissioners/people would like to donate water bottles to Open Heart Kitchen during this blood drive, please bring them.
  - The Blood Drive open to anyone.
  - Liaison Gardner: Fertile GroundWorks (FG): We have to let them know how many are coming and during what times.
  - Commissioner Ludwig: We'll be planting and taking out old plants.
  - Liaison Gardner: Fertile GroundWorks is up the street from the Robert Livermore Community Center, on East Ave.
  - Adult Commissioner Gnecco: Both waiver forms will be emailed out to everyone, and please reply with the preference of your date.
  - Liaison Gardner: We want those back Monday, May 10.
  - Return the waivers to me (electronically or faxed).
  - Please bring both waivers (signed, hard copies) to Fertile GroundWorks the day of the event.
  - Before you set foot on FG, we need to have your waivers in hand.

Motion to approve these two projects of the COVID Relief Subcommittee - Bottled Water and Blood Drive projects - brought by Vice Chair Choudhury, motioned by Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Secretary Arroyo, the motion passed unanimously:

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Miraya Choudhury (C)	X				Alicia Zhang (C)				X
Minhha Kawamura (C)	X				Michael Zhang (C)	X			
Elizabeth Ludwig (C)	X								
Arthur Mola (C)				X					
Amelia Nelson (C)	X								

Ashna Pattanayak (C)	X								
Tanvi Sri Sai Penugonda (C)	X								
Christian V. Quindipan (C)	X								
Sian Salazar (C)	X								

**- Equity and Inclusion Working Group:**

- o **General**

- o **Participation in City’s Equity and Inclusion Taskforce’s: Meetings + Exchange of Information**

- o **Vote on Moving Contest to 2021-22 School Year**

- Vice Chair Choudhury: Tomorrow, we are having a youth panel; youth from across Livermore will speak and share about their experiences regarding diversity, equity and inclusion in Livermore and will be given prompts to do so:

- Share a positive experience
- Share a negative experience
- Share something you wish were different in Livermore

- Kids from Livermore High School, Granada High School and Vineyard will be there. You all are free to join as ‘viewer’, just not a panelist.
- It will be interesting, and it will be a good opportunity to hear from other people, hear their stories and start projects about their concerns brought up at this meeting.
- Liaison Gardner: We thank you for your leadership, Vice Chair Choudhury! Vice Chair Choudhury and one other team member are going to host and facilitate that meeting – youth to youth. Adults are going to be muted and just listen. Congratulations to you, Vice Chair Choudhury!
- Liaison Gardner: Is there a log in?
- Vice Chair Choudhury: I can ask and get the email your way.
- Does anyone want to share from our subcommittee?
- Liaison Gardner: Is there anyone from our subcommittee who will be sharing tomorrow?
- Secretary Arroyo: Yes, I will be there. Our subcommittee hasn’t met since the last meeting. At the last commission meeting, we discussed that we may postpone our meetings until items can be polished a bit more.
- Vice Chair Choudhury: We were waiting on prizes – confirmation of what those will be – Liaison Gardner, do you have any updates?
- Liaison Gardner: I think a couple meetings ago, I’d requested the subcommittee provide a list of possible prizes so I can run it by the City Administrative Director. What amounts for first, second and third place winners? We will have an emphasis on selecting gift certificates or items that you think would draw kids to the competition.
- Is trying to launch this now, with four weeks left in school, going to attract enough attention?
- Secretary Arroyo: Probably not; they’re trying to push through lots of things near the end of the school year.
- Liaison Gardner: Trying to launch may be difficult. It’s been a very traumatic year; I’m concerned that trying to add this with just weeks left in school might be too much.
- Liaison Avilla: If I could add – “initiative fatigue” – with so many things happening out there, we must be cognizant of the fact that people may be falling into this group.

- Vice Chair Choudhury: We could plan this out – posters, as well as having other materials ready – and once we have an idea of what the prizes are, who we’re targeting, etc., we could really get to work on it.
- Liaison Gardner: Also, I don’t think it was clear what the prompts were going to be; we need a clear idea of that as well.
- Secretary Arroyo: We kind of already have an idea of what we hope will come out of this.
- Vice Chair Choudhury: We have a rough draft right now. We’ll meet before the next meeting to clarify.
- Secretary Arroyo: Did the new commissioner, Commissioner Quindipan, join any subcommittees? Extra help would be helpful. Not to call you out, Commissioner Quindipan, but I’m thinking you might want to be included – and hopefully you’ll stay next year, too! Climate Change, COVID Relief, Equity & Inclusion Working group = these are the three subcommittees.
- Vice Chair Choudhury: You can join more than one –
- Commissioner Quindipan: I’d definitely be interested in joining the Equity & Inclusion Subcommittee. .
- Vice Chair Choudhury: Great, I’ll include you on the email of when that next meeting will be.

**7.b GENup Presentation by Benjamin Salop**

- Mr. Salop was unable to attend the meeting and therefore, no presentation was given.
- Liaison Gardner: With Mr. Salop not coming, Communications Chair Bellucci will contact him to get information to share with the Youth Commission.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**8.a COVID Relief Subcommittee Bottled Water and Blood Drive**

- **Blood Drive: Friday, May 14**
- **Vote on Project Participation**

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Elizabeth Ludwig (C)	X								
Arthur Mola (C)				X					
Amelia Nelson (C)	X								
Ashna Pattanayak (C)	X								

Tanvi Sri Sai Penugonda (C)	X								
Christian V. Quindipan (C)	X								
Sian Salazar (C)	X								

**- Commission Volunteers Identified**

Please see "Old Business".

**9. MATTERS INITIATED:**

- None.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned by Vice Chair Choudhury at 7:40 P.M. to a Regular Meeting of the Commission on Monday, June 7, 2021. The meeting will be held virtually, via Zoom.

For questions regarding the agenda, please contact Lynn Gardner, City Liaison, at (925) 371-4747; or Nancy Blair, LARPD Liaison, at (925) 960-2483.

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