



# **YOUTH COMMISSION AGENDA MEETING OF September 25, 2023**

City Hall North- 1600 Truxtun Avenue, First Floor, Conference  
Room A  
Special Meeting- 4:30 p.m.

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## **AGENDA**

### **1. ROLL CALL**

### **2. PUBLIC STATEMENTS**

- a. Agenda Item Public Statements
- b. Non-Agenda Item Public Statements

### **3. SUMMARY REPORT**

- c. Adoption of the August 28, 2023 Youth Commission special meeting minutes  
Staff recommends adoption of the August 28, 2023 Youth Commission special meeting minutes

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Adoption of the FY 2023-2024 Youth Commission meeting calendar (October 2023 through June 2024)  
Staff recommends adoption of the FY 2023-2024 Youth Commission meeting calendar
- b. Review of past Youth Commission projects  
Staff recommends receive and file of presentation
- c. Discussion regarding potential youth-focused projects for the Youth Commission consideration for FY 2023-2024  
Staff recommends discussion, consideration, and voting of potential Youth Commission projects for FY 2023-2024

### **5. STAFF COMMENTS**

### **6. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

### **7. ADJOURNMENT**

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# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 9/25/2023

2. a.

**TO:** Bakersfield Youth Commission

**FROM:**

**CREATED BY:**

**DATE:**

**WARD:**

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item Public Statements

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

**BACKGROUND:**



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2. b.

**TO:** Bakersfield Youth Commission

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**SUBJECT:** Non-Agenda Item Public Statements

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

**BACKGROUND:**



# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** 9/25/2023

3. c.

**TO:** Bakersfield Youth Commission  
**FROM:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**CREATED BY:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**DATE:** 9/22/2023  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Adoption of the August 28, 2023 Youth Commission special meeting minutes

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of the August 28, 2023 Youth Commission special meeting minutes

## BACKGROUND:

### ATTACHMENTS:

Description		Type
▣	August 28, 2023 Special Youth Commission meeting minutes	Backup Material



# YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES MEETING OF August 28, 2023

City Hall North- 1600 Truxtun Avenue, First Floor,  
Conference  
Room A  
Special Meeting- 4:30 p.m.

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## 1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Brar, Tarango, Simpson (seated at 4:45 p.m.), Beardsley, Thallapalle, Webster, Batth, Mendiburu (A), Yum (A), Nahama (A) (seated at 4:35 p.m.)

Commissioners Absent: Robledo (A)

## 2. PUBLIC STATEMENTS

a. Agenda Item Public Statements

None.

b. Non-Agenda Item Public Statements

Guests Pradeep Thallapalle and Sophia Carrol were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.

## 3. SUMMARY REPORT

a. Adoption of the June 19, 2023 Special Youth Commission meeting minutes

***Motion to approve Minutes from June 19, 2023, meeting by Commissioner Tarango, seconded by Commissioner Beardsley. Motion passed 6-0-1 (Thallapalle).***

b. Adoption of the March 27, 2023 Youth Commission meeting minutes

***Motion to approve Minutes from March 27, 2023, meeting by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Batth. Motion passed 6-0-1 (Thallapalle).***

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation regarding the Ralph M. Brown Act and review of the Youth Commission Bylaws, by Deputy City Attorney Elizabeth Villanueva

Deputy City Attorney Villanueva presented a powerpoint on the Ralph M. Brown Act and reviewed the Youth Commission Bylaws.

- b. Election of the Chair and Co-Chair of the Bakersfield Youth Commission for FY 2023-2024

Commissioner Beardsley, Commissioner Brar, and Commissioner Batth were nominated to serve as Chair for the 2023-2024 Youth Commission.

***Vote by ballot. Commissioner Brar was elected as Chair by three out of seven eligible votes.***

Commissioner Thallapalle, Commissioner Webster, Commissioner Tarango, and Commissioner Simpson were nominated for Co-Chair for the 2023-2024 Youth Commission.

***Vote by ballot. An initial vote ended in a tie between Commissioner Webster, Commissioner Tarango, and Commissioner Simpson. A second vote was taken with Commissioner Webster, Commissioner Tarango, and Commissioner Simpson on the ballot. Commissioner Tarango was elected as Co-Chair by a majority vote of four of the seven eligible votes.***

#### 5. STAFF COMMENTS

Management Assistant Gutierrez made staff comments.

Deputy City Attorney Villanueva made staff comments.

#### 6. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Brar welcomed the Commission and stressed the importance of having a quorum.

Commissioner Beardsley requested a brainstorming session for potential Youth Commission projects be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.



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**TO:** Bakersfield Youth Commission  
**FROM:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**CREATED BY:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**DATE:** 9/22/2023  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Adoption of the FY 2023-2024 Youth Commission meeting calendar  
(October 2023 through June 2024)

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of the FY 2023-2024 Youth Commission meeting calendar

## BACKGROUND:

The current Youth Commission calendar was adopted in September 2022 which included meeting dates through June 2023.

Should the current meeting schedule of the fourth Monday of each month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. meet the availability requirements of the Youth Commission, it is expected the meeting dates will remain consistent with adjustments made to accommodate for City holiday closures as necessary.

## ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
□ Draft FY 2023-2024 Youth Commission Meeting Calendar- DRAFT (OCTOBER 23- JUNE 24)	Backup Material


# Youth Commission Meeting Calendar

October 2023 Through June 2024

All meetings will be held at City Hall North, First Floor, Conference Room A unless otherwise noted

**DRAFT**

 Youth Commission Meeting  
4:30 p.m.

 City Council Meetings  
3:30 Closed Session 5:15 p.m. Public Session

 Holidays - City Hall Closed

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**TO:** Bakersfield Youth Commission  
**FROM:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**CREATED BY:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
**DATE:** 9/22/2023  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Review of past Youth Commission projects

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends receive and file of presentation

## BACKGROUND:

Staff will discuss past projects beginning with FY 2019-2020 to provide background and context of how the Youth Commission has provided education, information and support to local government initiatives that have had an impact on local youth and issues that affect them. This presentation is expected to provide inspiration and create new and innovative ideas to the Youth Commission to develop a project for FY 2023-2024 to educate, inform and inspire local youth to take action and work collaboratively with local elected officials on important initiatives with which the Youth Commission can have a direct impact.



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**FROM:** Nathan Gutierrez, Management Assistant  
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**DATE:** 9/22/2023  
**WARD:**  
**SUBJECT:** Discussion regarding potential youth-focused projects for the Youth Commission consideration for FY 2023-2024

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends discussion, consideration, and voting of potential Youth Commission projects for FY 2023-2024

## BACKGROUND:

Each year, the Youth Commission is tasked with considering local youth issues that directly impact them and developing a project in alignment with educating, informing, and engaging with local youth to create change in the community.

It is within the scope of the Youth Commission to provide information, education and support of youth-focused initiatives in collaboration with local public, private, and nonprofit organizations with support from the Mayor, City Council, and City staff.