



**AGENDA**  
**Special Meeting Location**

1. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome**
2. **Agenda Review**  
This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Youth Council. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
4. **Correspondence**
5. **Public Statements/Comments**  
This is the time allotted for statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. **Continued Business**
  - a. **Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practices**
  - b. **Discussion of Fundraising for the Youth Council Program**
7. **New Business**
  - a. **Discussion of Outreach for the 2020 Youth Summit**
  - b. **Discussion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Talent Show on Friday, May 22, 2020**
8. **Representative Reports**  
**Youth Council Reports and Comments**  
This is the time for Youth Council members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council or to request a future agenda item. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.
9. **Coordinator's Report**



10. Adjournment: Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center. Please note the change in meeting location.



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Anna M. Medina  
Deputy Community Services Director

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Youth Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6766. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Youth Council Chair Paige Barrella called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., and Acting Secretary Ashley Kilmnick took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

| Selection Districts                    |                             | Members-At-Large |                   |  |                        |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------|
| V                                      | Vacant-AHS                  | P                | Joshua Chandran   | P  | Tashya Vakil           |
| E                                      | Riya Manimaran-RHS          | P*               | Xiaoze "Leo" Hou  | Alternates   |                        |
| P                                      | Anna Sorensen-RHS           | E                | Abigail Jiwanmall | P  | Ashley Kilmnick        |
| P                                      | Paige Barrella-SSHS         | P                | Daniella Jones    | E  | Ella McCrossan         |
| P                                      | Om Patel-SSHS               | P                | Parsa Karamat     | P*   | Ze "Daniel" Situ       |
| P                                      | Ashlyn Ro-SVHS              | P                | Rahul Naveen      | Youth Council Cohort                                   |                        |
| P                                      | Sneha Sundaram-SVHS         | E                | Chandler Nelson   | E  | Grace Fausett          |
| P                                      | Abhishek AJ Jagannathan-HMS | P                | Ian Nelson        | E  | Nikhita Sundarapandian |
| E                                      | Meghna Behera- SMS          | E                | Frances Salvanera | P = Present<br>E = Excused<br>A = Absent<br>V = Vacant |                        |
| P                                      | Kalyssa Ro-VVMS             | P                | Vivek Tarapara    |  |                        |
| *Arrived after approval of the minutes |                             |                  |                   |  |                        |

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator; and Eric Chen, Associate Planner.

Guests: Zubi Ruth Olin and Alex Hillman, with the United States Census Bureau.

2. Agenda Review

There being no objections, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the January 7, 2020, minutes as written was made by Tashya Vakil and seconded by Rahul Naveen.

**Youth Council vote: 15 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions**

**The motion passed.**

4. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

No public statements or comments were received.

6. Informational Presentation

- a. Getting Ready for the 2020 Census Complete Count Overview by the United States Census Bureau

Zubi Ruth Olin, Partnership Specialist with the United States Census Bureau, gave a brief presentation regarding the United States Census, including history, purpose and outcomes. Ms. Olin stated that this year marks the first time a census may be submitted digitally.

Ms. Olin also discussed job openings for Census Takers for those job seekers that are 18 years of age and older. To apply, visit [2020census.gov/jobs](https://2020census.gov/jobs).

City Associate Planner Eric Chen announced that the United States Census Bureau would be promoting the importance of participating in the census via flyers at all schools.

Ms. Olin asked that Youth Council members encourage their family's head of household to complete the census.

7. Continued Business

a. Selection of the 2020 Youth Summit Poster Design

Youth Summit Committee Chair Anna Sorensen distributed the Youth Summit poster graphic designs created by the City's graphics department and stated that the committee had selected its top three design choices.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the Youth Summit poster design with the most hand votes was made by Vivek Tarapara and seconded by Om Patel.

**Youth Council vote: 15 Ayes; 2 Noes; 0 Abstentions**

**The motion passed.**

b. Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practices

As part of small group practice training, Ashley Kilmnick led and debriefed the ice breaker activity "Form the Line".

8. New Business

a. 2020 Youth Town Hall Recap

Ms. Tignac congratulated all Youth Council members on the wonderful job they did in running an impactful event with the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's Education Team. She shared that positive feedback was posted on social media, including Instagram and Facebook accounts.

Youth Council members discussed experiences and recommendations for the next event, such as having a smaller panel and having more than one topic as many answers were repetitive.

9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Ian Nelson announced that the Grace Brethren Junior/Senior High School's Robotics team competed and won as tournament champions for the second year in a row at the recent Woodcrest Middle School Robotics Tournament.

Ashley Kilmnick announced that Simi Valley High School would host an all-comers track meet on January 25, 2020 and February 1, 2020. She stated that the meet was for all ages and the cost was \$5.00 to participate.

Paige Barrella announced that she, Om Patel and Parsa Karamat would be competing in Santa Susana High School's Dancing with the Stars competition on Friday, January 24, 2020. Tickets were on sale for \$10.00 per person.

Daniella Jones announced that Santa Susana High School would host an Open House on Wednesday, January 22, 2020.

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded Riya Manimaran that her draft speech for her Youth Council Report to the City Council Meeting on Monday, February 24, 2020, was due on Monday, February 17, 2020.

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members to continue encouraging friends and peers to register for the Youth Summit online at [www.simivalley.org/youthsummit](http://www.simivalley.org/youthsummit).

Ms. Tignac reminded members of the Youth Summit committee that the committee would meet at 4:30 p.m. prior to the regular Youth Council meeting on February 4, 2020.

11. Adjournment: Youth Council meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall Community Room.

By consensus, the Youth Council meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.