MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION Regular Meeting December 12, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Youth Commission Chair Aeyla Buño called the Youth Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Adielle Nelson; Adrian Bayardo; Aeyla Buño; Jaydon Chen; Kassi Parsons; Lindsey Ngo; Manjot Rai, Ohm Shah, Pratham Rangwala

Absent: Abbas Chaudhry

Late: None

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

The Youth Commission Chair, Aeyla Buño, read the land Acknowledgement Statement.

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ohm Shah led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None
- <u>5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> Approval of minutes (M/S) Aeyla Buño/Kassi Parsons 9/0/1

6. REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

6.1 Receive a presentation from Ciera Dulgar, Consumnes CSD Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor for teens and RAD, on potential collaboration opportunities with the Commission.

During the meeting, Ciera Dulgar was unavoidably absent but was represented by Yadira Barrera. Yadira described the Teen program they oversee and talked about their goals regarding mental health, providing resources, and working to serve the youth better. They proposed partnering with the Youth Commission on the Path to Positivity event to provide a safe and enjoyable environment. The proposal was approved with a vote of 9/0/1, with Ohm Shah and Kassi Parsons making the motion and seconding it, respectively. Pratham suggested having a liaison for CSD.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.2 Review information from the Path to Positivity subcommittee and discuss action. Aeyla Buño reported that the JJ Hello Foundation has expressed interest in speaking at the upcoming event. They have also requested the presence of a representative from the counseling office of the Elk Grove Unified School District. Kassi Parsons provided a detailed plan for the event, which will involve icebreakers followed by a speech by a guest speaker, small group activities, another speech by a different guest speaker, and large group activities. Snacks and a light lunch will be provided. Advisor Omotesho will update the event graphics to include CSD.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.3 Review information from the City-Youth Forum subcommittee and discuss action. Pratham provided a detailed plan for the event. The event will begin with a welcome session, followed by a panel discussion featuring city employees, including the Mayor, City Manager, and Chief of Police. During the panel discussion, they will describe their jobs and responsibilities and answer questions from the audience. There will be a 10-minute networking break after the Q&A session. The event will conclude with a review of cover letters, LinkedIn profiles, and resumes. Advisor Omotesho will inquire about the possible attendance of the City Clerk, City Attorney, and a CSD representative.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.4 Review information from the Family Fun Day subcommittee and discuss action. Advisor Omotesho reported that the magician is confirmed, and she is still awaiting a response from SMUD regarding sponsorship.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.5 Review information from the Heritage Event and Food Drive subcommittee and discuss action.

Aeyla Buño, Ohm Shah, and Adielle Nelson reported their progress in contacting dance groups at their respective schools. This includes the Polynesian club, Haka, the Filipino tinikling group, the Latino group, and the hype dance group.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.5 Review information from the Scholarships subcommittee and discuss action. Pratham reported that applications for scholarships will be open at the end of April or early May for three weeks. There will be two senior scholarships and two scholarships available for 9th -11th graders, one based on merit and the other on community

recognition. To be eligible for these scholarships, the applicant must either live in Elk Grove or attend school in the Elk Grove Unified School District. If a student has previously applied and won, they cannot win the same scholarship as before, but they can still apply for multiple scholarships.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

7. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Advisor Omotesho inquired whether the commissioners would prefer a combination of digital and paper flyers for advertising. The Commission stated their preference for digital flyers and social media posts.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The December 19, 2023, Youth Commission Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Lindsey Ngo

Youth Commission Secretary