

Minutes
City of Redondo Beach – Regular Meeting
Youth Commission
December 05, 2025

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION - 6:30 P.M.

### A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach Youth Commission was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Deputy Community Services Director Kelly Orta, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

# B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Campisi, Chabot, Cho, Edwards, Reeds, Sorgen, Taghvaei,

Van Pelt, Weiss

Commissioners Absent: Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Felde, Flinn, Steinberg

Ad Hoc Subcommittee Members Present: Huynh, Trone, McCauley

Ad Hoc Subcommittee Members Absent: Robles

Officials Present: Kelly Orta, Deputy Community Services Director

Michelle Pinedo, Recreation, Youth, Senior & Family Services

Manager

#### C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Vice Chair Van Pelt led the salute to the flag.

# D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Weiss, seconded by Commissioner Sorgen, to approve the order of agenda. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

# E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

# E.1. BLUE FOLDER

None

#### F. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Commissioner Cho, seconded by Commissioner Taghvaei, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

# F.1. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

**CONTACT:** ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

None.

- H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS
- H.1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Alena Rashid, Junior at Redondo Union High School (RUHS), volunteer at Beach Cities Health District, and member of the Alcove Youth Advisory Commissions, wanted to bring to the attention of the Commission Alcove fundraising that just launched on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. She announced that all donations to Alcove allows them to continue providing services and resources and to move forward with future plans. She spoke about the importance of keeping the program going and announced an Unplugged event on December 13<sup>th</sup> and Handmade Holiday and Clothing Upcycle on December 19<sup>th</sup>. She hoped to find a date to collaborate with the Youth Commission at a date to be determined.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta confirmed there were no further public comments.

- I. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS None
- J. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION
- J.1. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT TEEN SURVEY FOR DISTRIBUTION TO LOCAL TEENS

**CONTACT:** ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Deputy Community Services Director Orta explained that at the Commission's last meeting, it developed a Teen Survey Subcommittee to specifically develop a survey that can be distributed to teens in the local area so the Commission can get some ideas of topics the community would like to hear about and focus on. Orta mentioned that due to the holidays, a formal subcommittee meeting was not able to be held so staff developed a draft survey that is provided with the Administrative Report.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta went through the draft questions with the Commission to get their input and made changes as discussed; 16 questions were presented:

- Demographic Information Zip code, school, grade, age
- Programs, Events, and Activities
  - Favorite social activities
  - Which of the following types of programs or activities (list of options)
  - Barriers to participation
  - Travel to events

#### Communication

- Rank your preferred method of receiving information
- o Preferred social media platforms: Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, etc.
- Preferred amenities at the Teen Center
- Desired programs, events, activities at the Teen Center
- Preferred Teen Center program hours

# Issues Facing Teens

- Top three issues facing local teens
- Substance/drug abuse What types of programs or activities?

Mayor Jim Light, District 1, asked about the hours they are proposing and if they are distinguishing between summer and school year months. He suggested bringing in former addicts to present to the teens under the Substance/Drug Abuse item.

Commissioner Weiss suggested sending out the survey to focus on the school year hours and then sending out a new survey for the summer hours.

Motion by Commissioner Reeds, seconded by Commissioner Campisi, to approve and distribute the teen survey as discussed with the input and changes of the Commission this evening. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta asked the Commissioners to think about the method of delivery for the survey.

Discussion followed regarding delivery of the survey with suggestions of morning announcement emails at RUHS and on the City's social media page(s).

# J.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REVIEW THE YOUTH COMMISSION'S SUBCOMMITTEES AND CONSIDER CONSOLIDATION OF THE ONE-STOP SHOP & SOCIAL MEDIA SUBCOMMITTEES; AND THE TEEN & FAMILY EVENTS AND TEEN CENTER SUBCOMMITTEES

**CONTACT:** ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Deputy Community Services Director Orta summarized previous discussion at the last meeting. Since that meeting, staff has worked on finalizing the subcommittee's directives and wanted the Commission's feedback before implementing them.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta further asked the Commission to consider consolidating some of the six subcommittees and noted that they are going to go through each one to make sure they are all on the same page with what they would like the subcommittees to focus on.

The commissioner made no changes to the descriptions of each subcommittee drafted by Staff. Staff recommended that the One-Stop Shop and Social Media subcommittees be combined to form a Communications Subcommittee and stated the Commissioners for that subcommittee would be: Huynh, Steinberg, Campisi, Reeds, Taghvaei, Robles, and Cunningham.

Staff also recommended consolidating Teen & Family Events and Teen Center subcommittees into Teen Center & Events Subcommittee. In order to consolidate, staff requested the commission consider whether a commission would like to remove themselves from the combined subcommittee to ensure it remains below Brown Act requirements.

No public comments and no eComments were received or heard.

Motion by Commissioner Reeds, seconded by Commissioner Campisi, to approve the assigned tasks for each of the subcommittees, as presented. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

Motion by Commissioner Cho, seconded by Commissioner Taghvaei, to approve the consolidation of the One-Stop Shop and Social Media subcommittees and affirm the Commissioners fulfilling that role. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

Commissioner Campisi removed himself from the Communications Subcommittee.

Motion by Commissioner Campisi, seconded by Commissioner Weiss, to approve the consolidation of the Teen & Family Events and Teen Center & Events Subcommittees and affirm the Commissioners fulfilling that role. Motion carried 9-0-6, by voice vote. Chairperson Felde and Commissioners Bubenicek, Cheves, Cunningham, Flinn, and Steinberg were absent.

Commissioner Reeds removed herself from the Teen Center & Events Subcommittee to ensure that it is compliant.

# K. MEMBER ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF

None

# L. ADJOURNMENT – 7:20 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Youth Commission, motion by Commissioner Reeds, seconded by Commissioner Campisi, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. to a Special meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2025 in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chambers 415 N. Pacific Coast Hwy. Redondo Beach, California. There being no objections the meeting adjourned.

All written comments submitted via eComment are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted:	
Elizabeth Hause	
Community Services Director	