



# CITY OF OREGON CITY YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

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Commission Chambers, 625 Center Street, Oregon City  
Monday, January 08, 2024 at 7:00 PM

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## CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by Chair Brianna Nizic at 7:03 PM.

## ROLL CALL

### PRESENT: 11

*Alana Plaisance, Brianna Nizic, Hannah Granderson, Henry Cardona Gameros, Myles Kinney, Julian Guerra Molina, Justin Evers, Denyse McGriff, and Adam Marl.*

**STAFF:** *Hannah Schmidt, and John Lewis*

**EXCUSED:** *Bella Bone*

**ABSENT:** *Bailey Brown, Landon Lu, and Melanie Gabriel*

## CITIZEN COMMENTS

None provided.

## DISCUSSION ITEM

1. John Lewis, Public Works Director, presented information about the Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). There are two types of programs that the City of Oregon City can apply for: Education and Encouragement; and Construction. The City of Oregon City currently has a SRTS construction project underway on Holcomb Blvd. This project is still under the design phase and John Lewis predicted that the project will be completed in approximately one year. The State is now prioritizing Title 1 schools for SRTS program funding, making it more difficult for the City to qualify for any more construction projects. Students inquired about their safety concerns with Meyers Rd and Beaver Creek Rd. John Lewis communicated that the Youth Advisory Commission could contribute to education activities about the Holcomb Blvd project and other SRTS initiatives. Denyse McGriff suggested the Youth Advisory Commission be featured on one of Jarrod Lyman's podcasts. Hannah Schmidt will touch base and try and coordinate that in the future if there is interest from commission members. John Lewis also suggested a tour of Public Works Facilities in the future and looks forward to collaborating with the Commission on a potential educational event for the Holcomb Blvd project.

2. Robert's Rules of Order Cheat Sheet was discussed and all questions were addressed.
3. Julian Guerra Molina moved to amend the May 8, 2023 Minutes to correct the spelling of his last name, Hannah Granderson's last name, and Henry Cardona Gameros's first name. It was also moved to amend page 2, line 3 of the Minutes to be corrected to "he and his". Julian Guerra Molina moved to approve the May 8, 2023 Minutes as amended. Myles Kinney seconded. Unanimous approval.

Myles Kinney moved to amend the June 12, 2023 Minutes to correct the misspelling of names. Mayor Denyse McGriff was also excused for the meeting in June. Julina Guerra Molina moved to approve the Minutes of June 12, 2023 as amended. Justin Evers seconded. Unanimous approval.

Denyse McGriff moved to amend the August 14, 2023 Minutes to include last names in the Roll Call and the misspelling of names. Justin Evers moved to approve the August 14, 2023 Minutes as amended. Myles Kinney seconded. Unanimous approval.

Henry Cardona Gameros moved to amend the December 11, 2023 Minutes to include his full name. Myles Kinney moved to approve the December 11, 2023 Minutes as amended. Julina Guerra Molina seconded. Unanimous approval.

4. The City of Oregon City's If I Were Mayor Contest deadline is March 1, 2024. Jarrod Lyman and Hannah Schmidt are working on posting the flyer online and promoting the contest on social media. Applications will be sent to Hannah Schmidt. Youth Advisory Commission members may NOT participate, as they will be assisting in judging the contestant winners. Hannah Schmidt will reach out to the OCSD to distribute the flyer to all the school's within Oregon City. Hannah Schmidt will edit the flyer to indicate "The City of Oregon City invites you to enter," instead of "your city invites you to enter".
5. Myles Kinney moved to add an Election for Secretary to the agenda. Myles Kinney, Justin Evers, and Hannah Granderson nominated themselves for the position. A secrete vote was held. Hannah Granderson was nominated as the new Secretary for the Youth Advisory Commission and will be taking Meeting Minutes moving forward. Hannah Schmidt will also take Meeting Minutes to supplement information as needed.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Samuel Upkes has officially resigned from the Youth Advisory Commission.

Hannah Schmidt informed the Commission about the upcoming 2024 Oregon Youth Summit that is on Friday, February 2, 2024 at the State Capitol and Willamette University. Many members were interested in attending this event. A Lunar New Year Celebration event is occurring on Saturday, February 3, 2024. Members must reach out to Hannah Schmidt if they are interested in assisting at the event. The Pioneer

Community Center is hosting a Spring Forward Event on March 9, 2024. The Youth Advisory Commission is interested in hosting a booth at the event to help engage with the community and inform the public about their efforts.

Julian Guerra Molina gave an update on the Oregon City HS Student Council.

Alana Plaisance gave an update on CAIS.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Myles Kinney moved to adjourn the meeting, with the next Youth Advisory Commission meeting set for February 12, 2024. Meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.