

Youth Commission Liaison Report
July 15, 2010

1. April 26, 2010

- a. Commissioners Heng and Dhaliwal, from Independence High and University Academy, were introduced as District 5 and 8 youth commissioners, respectively.

Both were appointed on April 27, 2010.

- b. Presentation from Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) Division Manager, Dan Wax, informed city's budget impact on city services, possibly leading to less services at teen centers providing target-teen prevention in gang involvement. Mr. Wax suggested that commission establish an ad hoc team focusing on the budget proposals.

The Commission all approved to establish an Ad Hoc Team to review the City Budget.

2. May 24, 2010

- a. During Open Forum, Ricky, Amelia and Jose, children from the 3rd Street Community Center requested Commission to look into issue of movie industries advertising smoking to children and create resolution to remove smoking scenes from movies.
- b. Commission Chair reported for Executive Board on possibilities of re-aligning duties and holding officer elections in June since there is no meeting in July, and time would allow new Board to establish and work together to plan Commission Retreat.
- c. Truancy Ad Hoc working team took the back seat to the Budget Ad Hoc Team but hopes to resume after summer recess.
- d. Budget Ad Hoc Team met and had put together their 1st draft of alternative recommendations to the current city budget proposal. Team advised other Commissioners to do same with respective Councils.
- e. Gabrielle Antolovich and Bobby Lorilla from VOICES UNITED presented issues of underage drinking and introduced 'Social Host Ordinance' to the Commission.

3. June 28, 2010

- a. Social Host Ordinance is supported/used by Gilroy, Morgan Hill, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Los Altos, Santa Clara, and Palo Alto. Gabrielle Antolovich, Executive Director of VOICES UNITED, would like Commission to take part in

creating city forum in each district on underage drinking. Stage is draft form at this time: 1) warning in writing; 2) fine of \$250-\$500-\$1000, reflected upon number of violations; 3) jail/community service upon numerous repeated and/or ignored violations.

- b. Officer elections took place for 2010-2011 year. New Chair is Kasey Ong. New Vice Chair is Nickolas Taxera. New 2nd Vice Chair is Amanda Aldama.
- c. High School junior student, Katherine Nasol, informed Commission of the 'Pagkabata' Project (in Tagalog, translation is youth or child). Ms. Nasol would like to bring awareness of human trafficking and its affects on teens. This primarily happens in the Philippines; however, this occurred in San José last year.
- d. No meeting in July but all Commissioners were encouraged to volunteer at Summer Games at the Emma Prusch Farm Park on July 22nd, 7:30am-4:30pm. Event runs from 9:30am to 3:30pm.
- e. Next 1st meeting: August 23rd