



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019
6:00 PM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission (Youth Commission) was held on August 28, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom, located at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Shloka Janapaty called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

1.1 /ROLL CALL

A quorum was established with 14 Members present.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Jonathan Xia		
District 2	Justin Cai	Kalie Ching	Elise Mullen*
District 3	Thomas Nguyen	Yugam Satija*	Disha Yadav*
District 4	Adrienne Couteau*	Shloka Janapaty	Navya Pariti
District 5	Alden Hughes	Michael Zhao	
District 6	Kathryn Bravo	Tammy Cao	Hugo Marquez
District 7	Ye'ela Bronicki	Sofia Ruiz	Arushi Saxena

Members not in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Ishita Verma	Serena Wood	
District 5	Arnav Gattani		

*Youth Commission Members arrived as noted.

Board member in attendance was: Director Nai Hsueh, Board Representative.

Staff members in attendance were: Ricardo Barajas, Glenna Brambill, Rick Callender, Norma Camacho, Domingo Candelas, Janet Hedley, Marta Lugo, KJ Scott, Cheryl Togami and Kristen Yasukawa.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. WELCOME

Mr. Rick Callender Chief of External Affairs and oversight Manager of the Youth Commission, Ms. Norma J. Camacho, Valley Water Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Youth Commission Board Representative, Valley Water Director Hon. Nai Hsueh, District 5 welcomed the Youth Commission for their new meeting year! The following items were mentioned: Valley Water Staff were recognized for helping with the Youth Commission, the groundbreaking of Upper Llagas Project, flood protection, water supply, environmental stewardship, possibly becoming an employee of Valley Water, water's essential role in everyone's life and in the community, and the Youth Commission being recognized by the City of Cupertino's Vice Mayor.

*6:11 p.m. Yugam Satija arrived.

*6:18 p.m. Disha Yadav arrived.

4 INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

Ms. Janet Hedley and Mr. KJ Scott facilitated the interactive activity, where the Youth Commissioners had an opportunity to participate in a team building, collaborative, creative thinking and problem-solving skill activity for a tower building challenge, with paper and tape, in building the highest tower.

*Ms. Elise Mullen arrived at 6:21 p.m.

*Ms. Adrienne Couteau arrived at 6:26 p.m.

First Place Team: Ms. Kathryn Bravo, Ms. Navya Pariti, Mr. Thomas Nguyen, Mr. Jonathan Xia and Ms. Adrienne Couteau received the new Valley Water hats.

5. OATH OF OFFICE

Ms. Glenna Brambill of the Clerk of the Board's Unit administered the Oath of Office to the new Youth Commissioners: Mr. Jonathan Xia - District 1, Mr. Justin Cai - District 2, Ms. Disha Yadav - District 3, Ms. Tammy Cao - District 6, and Ms. Ye'ela Bronicki - District 7.

6. ELECT CHAIR

Nominations were opened for Chair, Mr. Alden Hughes nominated Mr. Michael Zhao, Ms. Adrienne Couteau nominated Ms. Shloka Janapaty. Nominations were closed.

Each candidate gave a brief overview of their experience and background.

Voting outcome: Mr. Michael Zhao received 5 votes, Ms. Shloka Janapaty received 12 votes. Ms. Shloka Janapaty was approved as the Youth Commission Chair.

ELECT VICE CHAIR

Nominations were opened for Vice Chair, Mr. Alden Hughes nominated Mr. Michael Zhao and Ms. Shloka Janapaty nominated Ms. Navya Pariti. Nominations were closed.

Each candidate gave a brief overview of their experience and background.

Voting outcome: Mr. Michael Zhao received 8 votes and Ms. Navya Pariti received 12 votes. Ms. Navya Pariti was approved as the Youth Commission Vice Chair.

Chair Ms. Shloka Janapaty moved to agenda item 8.3.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.3 REVIEWED AND DISCUSS SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT YOUTH COMMISSION WORK PLAN, AND PROPOSE THE COMMISSION'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Glenna Brambill, Ms. Marta Lugo, Mr. Hugo Marquez and Mr. Domingo Candelas reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Youth Commissioners, Ms. Shloka Janapaty and Mr. Michael Zhao gave a brief overview of the August 9, 2019, Youth Commission Retreat.

The Youth Commission took the following action:

It was moved by Ms. Navya Pariti, seconded by Ms. Adrienne Couteau, and unanimously carried, to approve that the Board consider the Commission's recommendation to support enactment of county or city ordinances that would promote compliance with SB 407 by requiring the replacement of non-water-conserving plumbing fixtures upon the transfer real property, or other enforcement mechanisms.

Chair Ms. Shloka Janapaty moved to agenda item 7.1.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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It was moved by Ms. Adrienne Couteau, seconded by Mr. Thomas Nguyen, and unanimously carried, to approve the May 22, 2019, Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission meeting minutes as presented.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8.1 BROWN ACT OVERVIEW

Mr. Brian Hopper reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Youth Commission took no action.

8.1a. BROWN ACT INTERACTIVITY

Mr. KJ Scott led the Brown Act Interactivity via Kahoot and Team #RevertTurbo scored the highest of the teams with 14,895 points.

The Youth Commission took no action.

8.2 UPDATE FROM SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT YOUTH COMMISSION'S WORKING GROUPS

Ms. Adrienne Couteau representative of the Creek Stewardship Working Group informed the Youth Commission about the upcoming California Coastal Cleanup Day on Saturday, September 21, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Ms. Kalie Ching is the site coordinator for the Youth Commission's site, and all received a press packet to help promote the cleanup.

Ms. Adrienne Couteau representative of Adopt-a-Bench Project Working Group gave an update on the 7 benches within the county and that an artist will be working with them and it was decided to paint the tiles.

Ms. Shloka Janapaty, Ms. Navya Pariti and Mr. Michael Zhao representatives of the Youth Citizen Science Network Working Group informed the Youth Commission about the upcoming Grassroots Ecology water quality event on Saturday, September 28, 2019.

The Youth Commission took the following action:

It was moved by Mr. Michael Zhao, seconded by Ms. Adrienne Couteau, and unanimously carried, to approve that the Youth Commission participate in the Grassroots Ecology's water quality event (sampling session) on Saturday, September 28, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the McClellan Ranch Preserve.

Mr. Michael Zhao representative of the Career/Job Shadowing Working Group informed the Youth Commission about getting more involved in career/job shadowing events with other high schools, doing outreach to get more youth involved in what Valley Water provides.

9. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported two action items for Board consideration.

Agenda Item 8.3

The Youth Commission unanimously approved that the Board consider the Commission's recommendation to support enactment of county or city ordinances that would promote compliance with SB 407 by requiring the replacement of non-water-conserving plumbing fixtures upon the transfer real property, or other enforcement mechanisms.

Agenda item 8.2

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10. ADJOURN

Chair Ms. Shloka Janapaty adjourned at 7:59 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Boardroom.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 11-20-19