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**TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2023  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 P.M. WEST ANNEX COMMISSION MEETING ROOM  
AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

**THE TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM  
LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Youth Councilmembers \_\_\_Berga, \_\_\_ Chang, \_\_\_A. Choi, \_\_\_J. Choi, \_\_\_Ernst, \_\_\_Han, \_\_\_Ho, \_\_\_Kang, \_\_\_Kim, \_\_\_E. Lee, \_\_\_I. Lee, \_\_\_McCallum, \_\_\_Miyazato, \_\_\_Sharma, \_\_\_Suk, \_\_\_Tanaka, \_\_\_Thai, \_\_\_Yalla

**2. FLAG SALUTE:** Youth Councilmember

**INSPIRATIONAL BY:** Youth Councilmember

**3. REPORT OF THE STAFF ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Bl. and on the City's Website on Thursday, September 28, 2023.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Limited up to a 15-minute period)**

*This portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on items on the Consent Calendar or not on the agenda. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Commission cannot act on items raised during public comment, but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. **No longer than 1 minute per speaker**. If presenting handout material to Commission, please provide 10 copies to staff before speaking.*

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed by a Councilmember from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.*

**6A. Approve Commission Minutes: September 6, 2023 and September 20, 2023**

**7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**7A. Student Body – Accept and File Updates Regarding Events and Activities at Each Torrance School** - Recommendation of the Community Services Director that Torrance Youth Council accept and file updates concerning:

- Bishop Montgomery
- CAMS
- North High School
- South High School
- Torrance High School
- West High School

**7B. Youth Councilmember – Provide Updates and Information Regarding Meetings of the City Council and Various City Commissions.**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Torrance Youth Council:

- 1) Report on any meetings attended; and
- 2) Discuss and share information; and
- 3) Assign Youth Councilmembers for upcoming meetings.

**7C. Discussion – Committee Updates**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Torrance Youth Council:

- 1) Report and update on any committee meetings; and
- 2) Discuss and share information; and
- 3) Assign dates and time for upcoming meetings.

**7D. Discussion and Approval –TYC Apparel and Logo**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that the Torrance Youth Council discuss and approve the 2023/2024 apparel and logo.

- 1) Logo Design
- 2) Type of Apparel
- 3) Collect Quotes

**8. COMMISSION ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**9A.** Adjournment of the Torrance Youth Council Meeting to WEDNESDAY, October 18 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex Commission Room; 3031 Torrance Blvd.



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Torrance Youth Council was called to order by Commissioner Ernst at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. The meeting was held in West Annex Commission Meeting Room at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90503.

**ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE**

Present: Berga, Chang, A. Choi, J. Choi, Ernst, Han, Ho, Kang, Kim, E. Lee, I. Lee, McCallum, Miyazato, Sharma, Suk, Tanaka, Thai and Yalla.

Absent: None.

Staff: Jesus Castro, Senior Recreation Supervisor

**2. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL**

Flag Salute: Youth Councilmember Ernst

Inspirational: Youth Councilmember Han

**3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

Senior Supervisor Castro reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard and on the City's website on Thursday, August 31, 2023.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN DEFERRED AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

None.

**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 16, 2023 and August 21, 2023**

**MOTION:** Youth Councilmember Sharma moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2023 meeting as submitted and minutes of the August 21, 2023 meeting as amended. Item 1 and 8A: Kim left early at 4:49 p.m. Youth Councilmember McCallum seconded the motion; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

7. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

7A. **Student Body – Accept and File Updates Regarding Events and Activities at Each Torrance School**

Update reports provided for each of the Torrance Schools.

**MOTION:** Youth Councilmember Ho moved to accept and file the oral reports from each school; Youth Councilmember Yalla seconded, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

7B. **Discussion – Election of Officers**

Each person running for an office gave a 2-5 minute speech on why they are qualified to serve in the specific office.

**Chairperson:** Youth Councilmember Ernst opened the nominations for Youth Council Chairperson.

Kang nominated Ernst.  
Ernst accepted the nomination.  
Lee nominated Han.  
Han accepted the nomination.  
Miyazato nominated E. Lee.  
E. Lee declined the nomination.

**Ernst was elected Chairperson** by individual ballot.

**Vice Chairperson:** Newly elected Chairperson Ernst opened the nominations for Youth Council Vice-Chairperson.

I. Lee nominated Han.  
Han accepted the nomination.  
Ernst nominated Kang.  
Kang accepted the nomination.  
**Han was elected Vice Chairperson** by individual ballot.

**Secretary:** Chairperson Ernst opened the nominations for Youth Council Secretary.

Chang nominated Thai.  
Thai accepted the nomination.  
Han nominated Suk.  
Suk accepted the nomination.  
J. Choi nominated Kang.  
Kang declined the nomination.  
Berga nominated A. Choi.  
A. Choi accepted the nomination.

**A. Choi was elected Secretary** by individual ballot.

**Sergeant-At-Arms:** Chairperson Ernst opened the nominations for Youth Council Sergeant-at-Arms.

Miyazato nominated Kang.  
Kang accepted the nomination.  
Thai nominated J. Choi.  
J. Choi accepted the nomination.  
Han nominated Ho.  
Ho accepted the nomination.

**Kang was elected Sergeant-at-Arms** by individual ballot.

**Historians:** Chairperson Ernst opened the nominations for Youth Council Historians.

J. Choi nominated Suk.  
Suk accepted the nomination.  
Suk nominated Ho.  
Ho accepted the nomination.  
Miyazato nominated E. Lee.  
E. Lee accepted the nomination.  
Tanaka nominated Thai.  
Thai accepted the nomination.  
Han nominated J. Choi.  
J. Choi accepted the nomination.  
I. Lee nominated Miyazato.  
Miyazato accepted the nomination.  
Kim nominated Sharma.  
Sharma accepted the nomination.

**Suk, Ho, Thai, and J. Choi were elected Historians** by individual ballot.

**7C. Provide Updates and Information Regarding Meetings of the City Council and Various City Commissions**

City Council Report **8/22/23**- Youth Councilmembers Kang, A. Choi, Sharma and McCallum

West Nile Virus was detected at Madrona Marsh, California is imposing new regulations for housing so Torrance will find ways to compact housing units while retaining the overall structure. The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Breast Cancer Luncheon will take place October 22. Officers received honorary recognition for their retirement. Noise complaints of the Torrance airport were discussed. There will be new signage at downtown Torrance. A Japanese Sister-City update was reported.

ASSIGNMENTS: **9/12/23**- Youth Councilmembers J. Choi, I. Lee, Ho, Suk, Sharma, Kang, Yalla and A. Choi

Library Commission Report- None.

ASSIGNMENTS: **9/11/23**- Youth Councilmembers Ernst, Yalla, Han, Berga and Chang

Parks and Recreation Commission Report- None.

ASSIGNMENTS: **9/13/23**- Youth Councilmembers Kim, Ernst, Tanaka, Miyazato, and Thai

**7D. Discussion – Youth Council 2022-2023 Annual Report**

Sr. Supervisor Castro mentioned annual reports are received and an email will be sent out.

**7E. Discussion – Youth Council Annual Workshop**

Pros: Team building and emphasis on equal participation through fun and games was a very beneficial way to get to know each member.

Cons: Not enough interaction with AAC members.

**8. COUNCIL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2**

- A. Choi announced AAC Open House on 9/13 from 4:00 – 6 p.m.
- Thai reported there are Youth & Government meetings on Tuesdays at the YMCA.
- Han and Ho are represent their high school student Board.
- Ho, A. Choi, and Ernst have upcoming birthdays.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

- 9A.** At 8:41 p.m., Youth Councilmember Thai moved to adjourn the meeting to Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the West Annex Commission Meeting Room at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard. Youth Councilmember Chang seconded; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Torrance Youth Council was called to order by Chairperson Ernst at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20, 2023. The meeting was held in West Annex Commission Meeting Room at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90503.

**ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE**

Present: Berga, Chang, A. Choi, J. Choi, Ernst, Han, Ho, Kang, Kim, E. Lee, I. Lee, McCallum, Miyazato, \*Sharma, Suk, \*\*Tanaka, Thai and Yalla.

Absent: None.

Staff: Jesus Castro, Senior Recreation Supervisor  
Emily Escalante, Senior Program Specialist

\*Commissioner Sharma arrived at 7:16 p.m.

\*\*Commissioner Tanaka arrived at 7:04 p.m.

**2. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL**

Flag Salute: Youth Councilmember Kang

Inspirational: Youth Councilmember Han

**3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

Senior Supervisor Castro reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard and on the City's website on Thursday, September 14, 2023.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN DEFERRED AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

None.

**5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**6A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – No Minutes Available**

**7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**7A. Student Body – Accept and File Updates Regarding Events and Activities at Each Torrance School**

Update reports provided for each of the Torrance Schools.

**MOTION:** Youth Councilmember Sharma moved to accept and file the oral reports from each school; Youth Councilmember Yalla seconded, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

**7B. Provide Updates and Information Regarding Meetings of the City Council and Various City Commissions**

City Council Report **9/12/23**- Youth Councilmembers A. Choi, J. Choi, Ho, Sharma and Kang

Torrance sirens were tested on 9/14, a Pie Contest will be held on 10/10 at the Farmers Market, on 9/30 the Library will be hosting a movie night, the annual Torrance Beach Clean-up will take place on 9/23, the reopening of the North Torrance Homework Center will be on 9/18 and the Torrance All-Stars Team made it to the finals.

ASSIGNMENTS: **9/26/23**- Youth Councilmembers A Choi, J. Choi, Kim, Han, Miyazato, Suk, Yalla, E. Lee Sharma and Ho

Library Commission Report **9/11/23**- Youth Councilmembers Han, Yalla, and Chang

A potential work plan for this year is “Little Free Libraries,” may add to the “Happy to Chat” bench. The summer reading program was a success and the “Happy Hour” classes offer Zumba, Yoga and music.

ASSIGNMENTS: **10/9/23**- Youth Councilmembers McCallum, Ernst, Han, and Chang

Parks and Recreation Commission Report **9/13/23**- Youth Councilmembers Thai, Ernst, Miyazato, and Kim

Off-leash dog park locations were discussed and Lago Saco was the first choice, City Council approved continuation of Park Security Program, park curfew is between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. and People with Purpose Awards was announced.

ASSIGNMENTS: **10/11/23**- Youth Councilmembers I. Lee, Thai, and Ernst.

**7C. Discussion – Youth Council 2022-2023 Annual Report**

The report was reviewed and Chloe, Suk, and Cruze were misspelled and Cruze was to be removed as Historian.

**MOTION:** Youth Councilmember Sharma moved to accept and file the oral reports; Youth Councilmember Thai seconded, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.



**7D. Discussion – Committee Sign-Ups**

ASB Bowl/City Council: Chang, Ho, Sharma, Kang, Miyazato, E. Lee and Ernst.

Senior Events: McCallum, Han, Suk, E. Lee, I. Lee and Tanaka.

Youth Forum/Community Outreach: Thai, Suk, Kang, Kim, A. Choi and Sharma.

Beat the Odds: J. Choi, Berga, Yalla, A. Choi, Kim and Tanaka.

Publicity: Ernst, Yalla, Thai, J. Choi and Chang.

AAC/Happy to Chat Bench: I. Lee, Miyazato, Han, McCallum, Ho and Berga.

**MOTION:** Youth Councilmember Thai moved to accept and file the committee reports; Youth Councilmember Sharma seconded, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

**7E. Discussion – TYC Apparel and Logo**

Brainstorm designs for next week and update Mr. Castro by the 27<sup>th</sup>.

**7F. Discussion – 2023 Turkey Trot Event**

The event will take place 11/23 at 6:00 to 11:00 a.m.

**8. COUNCIL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2**

- Mr. Castro instructed to pick up committee forms and drop off before leaving.
- Ernst mentioned the Planning Committee meets during TYC's meeting so it might be beneficial to attend together.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**9A.** At 8:10 p.m., Youth Councilmember Yalla moved to adjourn the meeting to Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at West Annex Commission Meeting Room at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard. Youth Councilmember Miyazato seconded; a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval 18-0.

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