

Mayor's Youth Commission of Tacoma General Assembly Meeting Minutes

Saturday, February 20, 2021 Zoom Meeting 3:00 PM

Start Time: 3:04pm End Time: 4:30 pm

Attendance: Nate Minor, Isha H, Logan Cornwell, Mackenzie Sunde, Naomi Alvarez, Nathan Essman, Rita Tumbush, Hannah? Rowan Ali, Stella Keating, Tara Ryan, Tara Zolfaghari, Terah Gruber, Zoha Ahmad, Ayzia Regules,

Liaisons: Ted Richardson, Leandra Shelton

Guests: TPD Assistant Chief Scruggs, TPD Community Engagement Office Wendy Haddow

Approvals

The Youth Commission approved a stance condemning a police violence incident that occurred in Tacoma on January 23rd.

A Conversation with Tacoma Police Department.

The Youth Commission engaged in a conversation with TPD to discuss the 21st Century Policing report. TPD answered questions from Youth Commissioners.

Committee Updates

Justice and Safety

- Working with TPD to schedule an ongoing conversation and Youth Forum.
- Writing a session proposal for the Graduate Tacoma Learning Conference.
- The committee is finalizing an educational campaign about defunding the police.

Environmental Health Committee

- Had a meeting with Ashley, a partner from the Graduate Tacoma movement and the STEAM network. Exploring having Ashley come to a Youth Commission meeting.
- Potential partnership with the National Park Advocacy group that is coming to Tacoma.
- Writing a letter to the City regarding the LNG plant.

Education, Arts, & Culture

Launching a survey regarding immigration and education this next week.



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Social Health

- Working on writing a session proposal regarding Youth Mental Health for the Graduate Tacoma conference.
- Planning a presentation to connect with TPS at either a school board meeting or to the admin regarding accessible resources for mental health.

Ad-hoc Subcommittee Updates

- 1. Youth Summit
- Theme ideas Civic Engagement and how to get involved with local government
- Ideating on workshops ideas

Committee Breakouts

Commissioners broke out into workgroups by committees for discussion and planning related to committee business.