

Minutes

Seattle Youth Commission

Saturday, January 11, 2025

10:00 AM PST – 12:00 PM PST

In-Person Meeting Location

Seattle City Hall 600 4th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104

Boards and Commissions Room

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Members Present

Max Tagsip, Catherine Enriquez, Harry Sumner, Nellie Harrington, Aicha Sinha-Khan, Sabi Yoon, Sienna Roggeveen, Bill Chen, Caleb Goldberg, Mohini Kaplan, Daniel Le, Anya Peterson, Lila Fu, Juliana Ariza, and Saniata Salva

Members Excused

Not applicable

Meeting Guests

Not applicable

Items

Number	Topic	Time
1	Welcoming	5 min
2	Agenda and Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">Motion to approve January 11 agenda without changes by Daniel, seconded by Aicha, and approved by all present members.Motion to approve December 7 minutes without changes by Caleb, seconded by Sabi, and approved by all present members.	10 min
3	In-person Public Comment <ul style="list-style-type: none">No request for public comment.	Up to 10 min
4	SYC 2025 Planning Calendar <ul style="list-style-type: none">Staff reviewed the shared Google Drive with Commissioners. Staff reviewed the draft 2025 planning calendar developed at the December 2024 meeting. The calendar includes key city activities and commissioner activities by month for the 2025 calendar year. The	10 min

	calendar will be continued to be updated as new activities are identified.	
5	Co-Chairs and Secretary Election <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff reviewed the roles and responsibilities of Co-Chairs and Secretary as defined by the SYC bylaws. • Commissioners engaged in elections for the roles of Co-Chairs and Secretary. • Aicha and Sabi were elected to serve as Co-Chairs. Sienna was elected to serve as Secretary. 	30 min
6	Bio Break	5 min
7	Sub-Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff reviewed the four committees identified at the December 2024 meeting. Committee focus areas include: Health, Safety and Gun Violence, Education, and Civic Engagement. • Members self-selected into small groups around the committee topics to identify two topics of interest to the commissioners. • In the area of Health, commissioners identified Mental Health and Reproductive Health as top priorities. Specifically, Commissioners are interested promoting access to mental health services, reproductive health services, and public education around reproductive justice issues. Commissioners identified the importance of increasing public awareness of existing resources through their role of public commissioners. • In the area of Safety and Gun Violence, Commissioners focused on School Gun Violence and Student Education. Commissioners discussed the need for physical improvements to educational facilities, and increase public awareness and education among young people about violence, drug use, and other health and safety topics. • In the area of Education, Commissioners identified Educational Access and Awareness as topic priorities. This includes access to advanced courses, funding, school supplies, and college and career readiness. Commissioners also discussed the opportunity to increase public awareness of existing resources through the school district and city such as libraries and other public services and programs, and the differences in access among public and private education systems. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One specific policy issue arose for Running Start student access restrictions challenges in public school facilities that have limited student access to study space and printers. 	50 min

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- o In the area of Civic Engagement, Commissioners identified opportunities that could apply across the topics areas and increase overall youth engagement with local government. Commissioners prioritized creating more access and accessible through seminars, summits, etc. As a means of youth civic engagement.
 - ♣ Commissioners discussed the idea of a Youth Summit that could serve as both a resource fair and civic education/engagement opportunity for youth people citywide. A gathering of young people offers an important opportunity to learn more about the priorities and needs youth across Seattle.
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8	Commissioner Announcements	Up to
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No commissioner announcements. 	10 min
10	Closing & Next Steps	10 min
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next meeting of the SYC will meet Saturday, Jan 25 at City Hall, 10:00am-11:30am. 	
