



LAKESWOOD YOUTH COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
Monday, May 6, 2024 – 4:45 pm
City of Lakewood
Council Chambers City Hall
6000 Main Street SW

**YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS
(2023-24)**

Alexandra Corona-Hernandez
Alexis Lynn
Alvin Nyonjo
Angel Calderon Ramirez
Ariana Melo
Ava Qualls
Bentley Webster
Bridget Holbrook
Chase Washington
Irie Henkle
Jaqueline Rodriguez Leal
Jhoselyn Valenzuela Mendez
Kaitlyn Miller
Kasia King
Katherine Kaiser
Kimberly Estrada
Launa Nieto-Johnson
Lincoln Estrada Perez
Lucille Asadi McLaughlin
Lui Owejan
Nevaeh Tutt
Reinida Benavente
Ruffaro Guzha
Shilo Alamillo
Shyniece Peters
Siddhartha (Dylan) Pant
Violet Johnson

STAFF

Shannon Bennett

COUNCIL LIAISON

Patti Belle
Trestin Lauricella

GUESTS

Lonnetta Cunningham,
President and CEO Team Wrk

Lisa Watt Banks, Program
Specialist & Marcos Sauri,
Coalito Coordinator,
Lakewood's CHOICE

Samuel Pena Rojas, ASPCP
President | Office of Student
Life, Pierce College
Daryna Protoliuk, ASPCD
Legislative Senator, Pierce
College
Lily Yokoda, ASPCD President -
Office of Student Life, Pierce
College

NEW BUSINESS

4:45 pm – Team Wrk Foundation Presentation – Lonnetta
Cunningham [TEAMWRK \(teamwrkfoundation.org\)](https://teamwrkfoundation.org)

5:00 pm – Lakewood's CHOICE Presentation – Lisa Watt banks and
Marcos Sauri – What is your awareness of the substance use policies in your
school? What happens when someone is caught using, in possession of or selling
illegal substances.

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT

5:30 pm – Student Advocacy Breakout Session Subtopic Discussion -
Samuel Pena Rojas, Daryna Protoliuk, Lily Yokoda.

6:10 pm – Planning Efforts – All members

- Expectation for YC Member attendance and role – Shannon
- City Council Speed Dating Update - Shannon
- Push to market the event – All members
- Create video content.

ADMINISTRATIVE

6:40 pm – Approve April 1 meeting minutes

6:45pm – Adjourn

NEXT STEPS

Students presenting to City Council on 5/6 at 7pm: Lui and Reinida

**Next meeting will occur on Monday, May 20 at
4:45 pm in Council Chambers.**



**Youth Council
April 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes
Lakewood City Hall Council Chambers
6000 Main St SW Lakewood WA 98499.**

CALL TO ORDER

Angel and Chase called the meeting to order at 4:46 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Angel, Bridget, Chase, Dylan, Jaqueline, Jhoselyn, Kaitlyn, Katie, Kimberly, Launa, Lincoln, Lucy, Nevaeh, Reinada, Shyniece and Ruffaro.

Members Absent

Alexandra, Alexis, Alvin, Ariana, Ava, Bentley, Irie, Kasia, Lui, Violet and Shilo.

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Patti Belle and Trestin Lauricella

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannon Bennett

GUESTS PRESENT: Paul Bucich, Public Works Engineering Director and Troy Pokswinski, Civil Engineer City of Lakewood Public Works & Chris Davis, Program Coordinator - Neighborhood Connections · Community & Economic Development

MINUTES

March 18th minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

No council member update provided.

Workforce Development

Paul and Troy talked to students and fielded questions on the purpose, duties and employment career pathways to becoming an engineer and working in the public works atmosphere.

Chris Davis talked to students about helping provide the youth voice to neighborhood groups and the possibility of taking it on as an initiative for next year's council.

Youth Empowerment Summit Update

Shannon reported having confirmed the following:

1. Facilitators for four of the five breakout sessions. Having a hard time finding someone to fill student advocacy session so members considered changing session to entrepreneurship.
2. Lunch will be provided by Jimmy Johns's

Students confirmed Council questions. Shannon will deliver questions to Council through the City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Prepared by:

Date: 05/02/2024

Shannon Bennett, Coordinator

Angel Calderon Ramirez, Chair

Date



YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SUMMIT



Saturday
May 25, 2024
11:00 am - 3:00 pm



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