

# Youth Council September 3rd, 2024 Meeting Minutes Lakewood City Hall American Lake Room 6000 Main St SW Lakewood WA 98499

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Shannon called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m.

### ATTENDANCE

**Members Present**: Abigail, Alexandra, Alicia, Antonio, Ava, Bentley, Bridget, Britany, Chase, Efren, Elijah S., Estrella, Gabriel, Irie, Jada, Jaqueline, Kasia, Lesli, Lincoln, Lui, Nathalye, Nevaeh, Ruffaro, Salvador, Sophia, Sotiria, Valeria, Violet and Zoe

#### Members Absent

Alexi, Ariela, Benedict, Danielle, Dilan, Dillon, Elijah B., Itzayanna, Lymen, Mariel & Nathan

Members Present through performing YC duties outside of meeting: Reinida & Lucy

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Patti Belle and Trestin Lauricella

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannon Bennett** 

**GUESTS PRESENT: None** 

MINUTES None

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Review Youth Council Manual and sign contract** – Members reviewed Youth Council manual and discussed important topics to include attendance, volunteerism, City advisory board/committee liaison responsibilities, officer duties and expected behavior shown towards YC members, the public, City staff and elected officials.

**Officer Presentations –** The following members volunteered to present to the group their reasons for being elected to chair, vice chair and secretary positions. Chair - Chase and Ruffaro Vice Chair – Jada and Violet Secretary – Alexandra, Elijah, Kasia and Sophia.

**Elect Officers** - Voting took place immediately following presentations and members elected Chase (Chair), Violet (Vice Chair) and Alexandra and Elijah (Secretary)

**Assign City Board/Committee Liaisons** – Members were provided brief descriptions and meeting days/times for City Advisory Boards/Committees. Students then chose which board/committee(s) they wanted to liaise for. Here are the assignments:

<u>Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board</u>: Jada, Gabe, Sophia, Elijah, Ava, Kasia, Alicia & Britany.

Public Safety Advisory Board: Lincoln, Violet, Lui, Efren & Sal.

<u>Community Services Advisory Board</u>: Irie, Leslie, Ruffaro, Sophia, Estrelle, Sotiria, Jaqueline & Nathalye.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Alexandra, Nevaeh & Zoe.

Landmarks and Heritage Board: Bridget & Ruffaro

Arts Commission: Valeria, Bentley & Nevaeh

MLK Committee: Antonia, Chase, Zoe & Jada.

**Choose Sweatshirt Color -** Members were presented with four color options for this year's YC swag: Mint green, heather gray, red and royal blue. After much debate and discussion royal blue was chosen to align with the City's branding efforts.

Date: 09/04/2024

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Prepared by:

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Shannon Bennett, Facilitator

Chase Washington, Chair

Date