

Minutes for the Youth Commission
1670 West 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247
March 9, 2026, 6:30 PM - March 9, 2026, 7:30 PM

Roll Call: *(The following members were in attendance)*

- **Samantha Badillo-Cordero**, Commissioner
- **Aidan Madison**, Commissioner
- **Kyle Chin**, Commissioner
- **Anaiyah Harris**, Commissioner
- **Ryan Henderson**, Commissioner

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Commissioner Anaiyah Harris called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Commissioner Anaiyah Harris, Commissioner Aidan Madison, Commissioner Kyle Chin, and Commissioner Ryan Henderson

Absent: Commissioner Abisola Ogundimu, Commissioner Anaiya Bowers,

In Attendance: Staff Liaison Jocelyn Alfaro

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kyle Chin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Public Comments.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Enter Information..

A. Regular Meeting of the Youth Commissioner, February 9, 2026

It was moved by Commissioner Aidan Madison, and seconded by Commissioner Kyle Chin, to approve the Minutes for the Youth Commissioner Meeting, February 9, 2026. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0 (Yea: Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Anaiyah Harris, Aidan Madison, Kyle Chin, Ryan Henderson).

6. YOUTH COMMISSIONER REPORT

A. Welcome New Commissioner - Ryan Henderson

Commissioners welcome the new youth commissioner, Ryan Henderson, who was appointed on February 10, 2026, during the City Council Meeting.

B. City of Gardena Japan Trip

Commissioners were reminded of the details of the trips, as well as ensuring all passports are valid for travel.

C. Youth in Government Preparation

Commissioners were reminded of the importance of attending Youth in Government Day. In addition, they reviewed last year's script and added a practice day leading up to the event.

7. STAFF LIAISON REPORT

A. Girl Boss Workshop - March 20, 2026

Commissioners were reminded to please be present during the Girl Boss event. Some commissioners suggested inviting vendors such as the Army to table and passing out Polaroid pictures as a party favor for the event.

B. Boys to Men - Activities and Vendors

Commissioners were asked to brainstorm some vendors and businesses they would like to see at the Boys to Men Workshop happening on May 8th between 5:30 pm and 8:30 pm. Some businesses mentioned include: cafe owners, local barbers, gym owners, tattoo artists, chefs, therapists, social workers, video game creators, carpenters or welders, teachers, DJs, and content creators. Some activities that were discussed included bouquet making, having a public speaker, building tasks like LEGO, ping pong, dodgeball, and team challenges such as the marshmallow and pasta challenge. The commissioners also discussed themes for the event, such as Fast and the Furious, Minecraft, Marvel, Fortnite, Call of Duty, and gaming in general.

C. State of the City - March 12, 2026

Commissioners were invited to attend the State of the City event on March 12, 2026. Commissioners Anaiya Harris, Kyle Chin, and Ryan Henderson may attend the event.

D. Future Events

Commissioners were encouraged to attend future City Events and volunteer in new areas.

E. E-Bike Video Contest

Commissioners were informed of a video contest where they can create a 30-second video for a chance to win \$500 in prizes. Commissioners were encouraged to apply in hopes of using the reward money for a prize to raffle at teen events.

F. Potential Events

Commissioners were asked to provide some ideas for potential events that they can host for teens in Gardena. Some initial ideas included hosting a mental health workshop for middle school students and a journalism workshop. Commissioners were asked to bring ideas to the following meeting.

G. Potential Giveaway for families and teens

Commissioners were asked to brainstorm some giveaway ideas for residents and families in Gardena. Ideas included children's shoes and children's clothing. They were asked to brainstorm additional ideas and how it could be executed for the following meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Distribution of Brown Act Materials - Nakaoka Community Center Auditorium

Deputy City Clerk Becky Romero and Katherine Rhee presented and distributed the Brown Act and discussed the changes made to take effect July 1st, 2026. The Act will not require hybrid forms of meetings for the City Council. Commissioners were informed if they had any questions or hesitations, to please speak to the Staff Liaison.

9. OLD BUSINESS

A. Water Safety Workshop

Commissioners were informed that the Water Safety Workshops are still being organized, and further information will be provided at a later date.

B. Consideration on Providing Feminine Products - Memo

Commissioners were informed that the memo was still being reviewed by staff and the City Council. They will be informed when there is an update.

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Anayah Harris to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 pm.

MINA SEMENZA

City Clerk of the City of Gardena and

Ex-officio Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

Nikki Sweeney

Nikki Sweeney, Recreation Program Administrator

By: Becky Romero

Becky Romero, Deputy City Clerk