

**MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
500 MARKET STATION, SUITE 200
ROUNDHOUSE ROOM
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020, 4:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board was called to order at 4:30 pm by Ms. Teya Martinez, Chair, at 500 Market Street, Suite 200, in the Roundhouse Room, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Teya Martinez, Chair
Avi Pope
Diego Montoya, Alternate for Miss Gonzales
Niveditha Bala, Alternate for Miss Manningham
Nolan Hall
Summer Armijo-Rotunno
Valaria Ramirez

MEMBERS ABSENT

Candence Gonzales, Excused
Sydney Manningham

OTHERS PRESENT

Councilor Jamie Cassutt-Sanchez, Advisory
Miguel Moreno, Alternate
Amanda Esquibel, Supporter
Kyra Ochoa, Director, Community Services
Maria Perez, Facilitator
George Carrasco, Community Services, Committee Liaison
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Pope, seconded by Mr. Hall, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. INTRODUCTIONS

A. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Carrasco introduced himself as the staff liaison for the Committee. He introduced Maria Perez who is here to help facilitate the process for participatory budgeting.

The Board members introduced themselves.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

I. SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. Pope, seconded by Ms. Hall, to approve the September 26, 2019 minutes as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

II. MARCH 28, 2019

These minutes had been previously approved.

5. WORK SESSION

M. PEREZ, DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

Ms. Perez said she is the facilitator for participatory budgeting. She will be reaching out to you between meetings as well.

Ms. Perez continued why are we here. \$50,000 is available from the City for you to decide how to spend. You will be participating in your civic duty and making decisions as to how you want this money to be spent to benefit the community. It has to be a capital improvement project. Today we want to show you a short video about what participatory budgeting is then we will have a short discussion about that. We will need to make some decisions today. We will be doing work between meetings and will need to create subcommittees. We also need to decide how voting will happen. We want as many young people voting on what projects will be chosen as well. Lets think about it and self assign ourselves to a subcommittee. Each subcommittee will need a Chair.

The first decision we need to make is how many projects will get funded. This is

a list of projects examples we got from Regina Wheeler, Director of Public Works. The list is herewith attached to these minutes as Exhibit "1".

We want you to think about how we are going to figure out which projects will be up for election and be realistic about the budget. What kind of projects seem good from this list. Are there any favorites.

Chair Martinez said art for public places and repair of sidewalks in the parks.

Mr. Pope asked is this for the participatory budgeting or something different.

Ms. Perez said these are just examples. You will have to come up with projects. This is just to give you an idea of what \$50,000 will get you.

Mr. Montoya said in the past Teen Center came up multiple times.

Chair Martinez said Julie said we could look back at the old Youth Summit comments and their concerns and needs. Maybe open small programs at the Teen Center like help with homework. Washers and dryers, homelessness, drug abuse and a place to stay the night all came up at the Summit.

There was a discussion as to what criteria there was to qualify as a capital outlay project such as dollar amount.

Ms. Perez said talk to folks in the community and ask them to present their ideas to this Board and then narrow that down to five or six things we can vote on. This is a pilot and we have a short time frame and a small amount of money. We are suggesting that you guys submit the projects that you think would be good and beneficial for the youth community and have people throughout the community vote on them. There needs to be some research as to what the community needs.

Ms. Perez handed out the report for the Teen Center and asked that everyone look through it for ideas. The report is herewith attached to these minutes as Exhibit "2".

Ms. Perez said between now and the next meeting we will do an informal survey as to what they would like to see. The survey will have between three and five questions which is plenty. What are some good questions for a survey for your friends and peers.

Chair Martinez said she thought the questions used previously were too broad. Responses were not realistic at all. We need to make them short and clear and maybe give a few examples of what we can do.

Ms. Perez said maybe we don't give examples, but we ask what kind of things

are important to you. What can we ask to get useful answers.

Chair Martinez said what are the community needs.

Mr. Moreno said what would be beneficial to your neighborhood.

Mr. Pope said a subcommittee could be dedicated to create possible things to vote on. It might be easier. It could be ten things and send it out to the public and they vote on those.

Mr. Perez said that is a way to do it, but it would be a small amount of people deciding on ten projects. She discourages doing that without input from other people first.

Chair Martinez said that is a good idea, but maybe that subcommittee could go to different schools and sit down with the student council or others to ask their classmates what their ideas are then come back together.

Mr. Perez said that is great, but it will take four months to do that.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez asked are they asking for specific like a specific place to go gather.

Miss Bala said maybe something what would make youth more engaged with the community.

Ms. Perez asked do you feel you would be worried about going and asking people about this kind of stuff.

Chair Martinez said she is worried about the second question. It is a good question, but it could be huge.

Ms. Perez said the response could be huge for any of these questions. It could be we need more housing for our neighborhood. It is good to know. We could create a Google Doc for the responses.

Chair Martinez asked do we want all the responses out there.

Mr. Carrasco said maybe the demographics as to age, but not the school, and maybe the zip code.

Ms. Perez asked can all of you access Goggle Doc. Should we have a paper version.

Mr. Moreno said it would be better for him to have paper.

Ms. Perez said we will do both. We will get the subcommittees worked out so they can work on it.

6. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

A. GROUP AGREEMENTS

Ms. Perez reviewed the group agreements as follows:

- step up/step back
- one at a time
- respect each other (even if you don't agree)
- we are here to work. (So we will work between meetings)

B. PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING PROJECT(S)

The video on participatory budgeting was shown.

Chair Martinez said this is exciting.

Ms. Perez said her goal is to get this done, beginning to end, and have projects to get funded in late summer. It may take a bit longer, Lets talk a bit about subcommittees. We will make presentations to schools and let them know they can vote on the projects. We want to involve as many youth as we can. We need an outreach subcommittee, an event planning subcommittee and a subcommittee good at design and artistically orientated. Posters will need to be made for schools and other places where young people gather. We also need an executive subcommittee and an election administration subcommittee.

C. APPOINTMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEES

After discussion, the following subcommittees were formed with membership as follows:

Outreach Subcommittee

Chair Martinez

Miss Armijo-Rotunno, Subcommittee Chair
(Third Board member)

Election Administration Subcommittee

Miss Bala

Mr. Pope, Subcommittee Chair

Mr. Montoya

Event Planning Subcommittee

Miss Hall, Subcommittee Chair

Mr. Pope

Miss Ramirez

Advertising Subcommittee

(First Board member), Subcommittee Chair

Mr. Moreno

(Third Board member)

Amanda Esquibel

Executive Committee (Chairs of Subcommittees and Board Chair)

Miss Martinez, Board Chair

Miss Hall

Mr. Pope

Miss Armijo-Rotunno

Advertising Subcommittee Chair

* This subcommittee is a quorum and will have to have their meetings noticed or meet as part of the regular Board meeting.

MOTION A motion was made by Chair Martinez, seconded by Mr. Pope, to approve the subcommittees and the membership and Chairs.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The rank choice voting video was shown.

Ms. Perez said there is a way to do rank choice voting if we want to select multiple projects. That is something for the election subcommittee to meet and talk about. We will make sure everyone gets everyone's contact information. That decision can be made at the next meeting. The homework is to do the surveys. George will send them to you on paper and electronically.

Everyone committed to getting the survey out there to students and others and to get them completed and turned in.

Ms. Perez said as you work on the surveys think about what projects you think would be awesome. If you have ideas call George and let him know.

Mr. Carrasco said he will send out the PDF with the Youth Summit Report to all the members.

7. COMMENTS

A. CHAIR AND COMMITTEE

Chair Martinez said thank you all for coming. She is excited to get this done.

Mr. Carrasco said first thanks to all of you for coming here tonight. He is happy to have a quorum.

Mr. Martinez said he is happy we can get the ball rolling on this.

B. COUNCILOR JAMIE CASSUTT-SANCHEZ

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez said she is very excited to be here and be part of this group. She is available, please utilize her. George will send you her contact information. Feel free to text her or call her if you have any questions or things you are thinking about.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez said she has been assigned to two groups that meet on the same day. She wanted to talk to them about moving the meeting to a different day.

There was a discussion about dates.

MOTION A motion was made by Chair Martinez, seconded by Mr. Pope, to change the meeting date to the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be February 20, 2020.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez said thank you for making this accommodation.

Ms. Perez said she will not be able to attend the next meeting. Someone from the City will be here to work with you on if projects are feasible. At the next meeting you should have a good idea of projects to put forth. Then the work begins in terms of getting the youth of Santa Fe engaged in this project. It will be hard work, but rewarding. We are going to have fun, You will learn a lot.

C. PUBLIC

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Teya Martinez, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Elizabeth Martin', written over a horizontal line.

Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer