

CITY OF ELK GROVE Youth Commission

**MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
March 10, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Abbas Chaudhry, Youth Commission Chair, called the Youth Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Abbas Chaudhry; Andres Guzman; Ethan Phang; Kara Hughes; Karlee Clark; Marho Akpo; Omri Nelson; Princeton Mingo; Zara Choudhury

Absent: Princeton Mingo

Late: None

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: The Land Acknowledgment was read by Youth Commission Chair Abbass Chaudhry

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Youth Communications Officer, Kalea Condon, led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of minutes – (M/S) Kara Hudes/Karlee Clarke 9/0/0

6. REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

6.1 Receive a presentation from Evolve, presented by Deanna Corr, and discuss potential collaborations

Deanna Corr, Community Relations Manager for Evolve, introduced the organization as a clinician-led provider of behavioral, mental health, and addiction treatment for adolescents. Due to high demand, Evolve is opening a new location in Elk Grove the week of March 16. Following a discussion to better understand the program's clinical services, the Commission explored potential partnerships. They finalized their first collaborative effort for the upcoming Family Fun Day, where Evolve will host a resource table to provide information and support to local families.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.2 Receive report from the Family Fun Day Subcommittee and discuss action

The subcommittee Chair presented plans for the upcoming Family Fun Day, scheduled for April 14th at Old Town Plaza. Programming updates include confirmed attendance from the School of Rock from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM (subject to change), a Zumba session led by the Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Commission at 3:00 PM, and a performance by the Cosumnes Oaks Lion Dancing Club. Planned interactive activities include face painting, coloring tables, and temporary tattoos. Additionally, the subcommittee has secured donations from See's Pizza and the Mosaic Center. Development of the event's bingo-style game sheet and ticket system is ongoing, with final details to be confirmed prior by the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.3 Receive report from the Food Drive Day Subcommittee and discuss action

The duration and logistics for the upcoming Food Drive were discussed. The Youth Commission will collect donations over a two-week period, running from May 4th through May 15th. Designated drop-off locations include District 56, the Elk Grove Police Department, and the Animal Shelter, with the City Council Chambers identified as a potential additional site.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.4 Discuss the Path to Positivity Event

The Commission established a subcommittee to oversee the October 2026 Path to Positivity event and its associated anti-bullying campaign. This subcommittee will be responsible for the planning and execution of the initiative.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.5 Receive report from the D&I Liaison

The Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) Commission Liaison reported on the February 17 meeting, which included a review of the standing agenda and progress reports from various subcommittees. The D&I Commission discussed nominating a service group for the upcoming Stars of Service Awards; however, the motion was tabled pending further research into previous recipients. The Commission will reconvene on the third Tuesday of the month.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.6 Receive Update from the Communications Officer

The Communications Officer reported on a collaborative Instagram post with Youth For Good. She is currently coordinating with the City's Social Media Specialist to draft a "Meet the Commissioners" feature, with plans to incorporate additional photography to increase community engagement.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

7. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Youth Commissioners were reminded of the upcoming visit to the Diversity and Inclusion Commission meeting scheduled for the following Tuesday. Following a brief discussion to confirm availability, members updated their calendars accordingly. Additionally, it was reported that the Sacramento Credit Union shared a positive testimonial on LinkedIn and has confirmed participation in next year's Future Forward event.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The March 10, 2026, Youth Commission Special Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.



For: Marho Akpo
Youth Commission Secretary