# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

Mayor Bozajian called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

Present: Mayor Bozajian, Councilmember Weintraub, and Mayor's Youth Council members.

Absent: None.

Staff: Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Adam Jaysen.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no announcements or introductions.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATION - PUBLIC COMMENT

No one spoke during public comment.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Background of and role of the Mayor's Youth Council per City Council Resolution No. 2019-1645

Mayor Bozajian welcomed the MYC members and provided background information regarding the MYC's purpose. He explained the position of the Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.

Councilmember Weintraub and Mayor Bozajian explained that the meeting formalities are due to legal requirements.

2. Oath of Office to Mayor's Youth Council members

Mayor Bozajian administered the Oath of Office to MYC board members.

## 3. Selection of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary

Adam Jaysen, former Chair of the MYC, provided an overview of the responsibilities of the Chair.

Mayor Bozajian opened nominations for the office of Chair. Malyssa Eddy and Zachary Samuel accepted their nominations for Chair. Jacob Rosoff nominated himself for the office of Chair. Mayor Bozajian closed nominations for the office of Chair.

Katelyn Pool, former MYC Vice Chair, provided an overview of the Vice Chair's responsibilities.

Mayor Bozajian opened nominations for the office of Vice Chair. Anika Kolanu accepted her nomination. Morgan Konheim and Benjamin Sweeney also nominated themselves for the office of Vice Chair. Mayor Bozajian closed nominations for the office of Vice Chair.

Gia Perel, former Secretary, provided an overview of the Secretary's responsibilities.

Mayor Bozajian opened nominations for the office of Secretary. Gia Perel accepted her nomination. Parinaz Toufighi, Kavon Naziri and Zachary Rosoff nominated themselves for office of Secretary. Mayor Bozajian closed nominations for the office of Secretary.

Mayor Bozajian noted that Ms. Hernandez will email ballots to all MYC members to vote for the Executive Board positions.

MYC members introduced themselves. Those running for an Executive Board position also took time to explain why they thought they should be elected. Ms. Hernandez, Councilmember Weintraub and Mayor Bozajian also introduced themselves.

## 4. Selection of Appointments to the Mayor's Youth Council subcommittees

Councilmember Weintraub provided an overview of the MYC, and stated that this is the second Mayor's Youth Council in Calabasas.

Ms. Hernandez explained that subcommittees will have leaders from the Board, but other non-board members will also be able to take a role on the subcommittees.

Adam Jaysen voiced his support to teach about Chumash culture and to explore areas of the MYC.

Katelyn Pool explained that members should choose a subcommittee that they are motivated to work on.

Mayor Bozajian discussed that the MYC is a nonpartisan group and should invite people from different viewpoints. He suggested the creation of subcommittees to focus on making the Pumpkin Festival and other City events more attractive to teens, educating about Chumash culture, planning for an Indigenous Peoples' Day event, and organizing debates among candidates, maybe for the likely California recall.

Councilmember Weintraub also suggested that the MYC creates subcommittees to address race, Covid-19 or other matters of interest to teens. Mayor Bozajian stated that the City has never had a discussion about worldwide genocide and encouraged the MYC to plan one.

Adam Jaysen suggested a school liaison subcommittee to get the MYC's message out to other schools and a publicity subcommittee that focuses on social media and graphic design.

Mayor Bozajian reported on the subcommittees from the prior year and encouraged members to create new ones. Ms. Hernandez suggested that members send their subcommittee ideas with their ballot. Mayor Bozajian proposed that the MYC become involved in planning of the City's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.

## **CONSENT**

5. Approval of meeting minutes from March 4 and May 26, 2020

Malyssa Eddy moved to approve the minutes, and Parinaz Toufighi seconded. Motion carried unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

## **ADJOURN**

Mayor Bozajian adjourned the meeting 6:57 p.m. to a date to be determined.

Zachary Rosoff, Secretary of the Mayor's Youth Council