

MINUTES OF THE JOINT WORKSESSIONS
LACEY CITY COUNCIL AND LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL
AND
LACEY CITY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION ON EQUITY
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023
6:00 P.M. – 7:54 P.M.
REMOTE AND IN-PERSON

To hear the full discussion of a specific topic, or the complete meeting, watch the recorded meeting available on YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A8VIE7yaAi4&list=PL0fqffnajWBqkRa1WltEuNIBbJrDjeqgp&index=2>

COUNCIL PRESENT: MAYOR RYDER, DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER,
COUNCILMEMBERS COX, STEADMAN (REMOTE), KUNKEL
AND VAZQUEZ

COUNCIL EXCUSED: COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN

YOUTH COUNCIL PRESENT JUSTIN BEGLEY (MAYOR), RIANNA JOSEPH (DEPUTY
MAYOR), AYIANA YOUNG, SARAH TOWNE, NATHANIEL
CLAY, RORY LINE, NATHAN MILLER, KIARA COLEMAN,
KEEGAN BOLDT

YOUTH COUNCIL EXCUSED: ABIGAIL ASARE, HUNTER AKILARAI, JANINE BERMUDEZ,
ALANIS BLACKBURN, ZURYSADAY PLASENCIA

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: CLIFTON BROWN (CHAIR), ANNE CLAY (VICE CHAIR),
JONATHAN HEGWOOD, KIM SAUER, KRISTINE STOLBERG

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: THELMA JACKSON, MAKIEDA HART

STAFF PRESENT: R. WALK, S. KELLEY-FONG, K. ADAMS, S. SIGLIN, E.
FONTAINE

ACTION: APPROVE WORKSESSION AGENDA

MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER AND
COUNCILMEMBER COX

LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL 2023 WORK PLAN

STAFF: SHANNON KELLEY-FONG, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
KELLY ADAMS, SPECIAL PROJECTS ADMINISTRATOR
ACTION: APPROVE THE LACEY YOUTH COUNCIL 2023 WORK PLAN
MOTION: MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER AND
COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL

Staff introduced the Lacey Youth Council and provided a detailed highlight of the activities and achievements for 2022-2023.

Lacey City Council, Youth Council, and staff reviewed and discussed the 2023 Work Plan. Lacey Youth Councilmembers also led discussions with Council on the following topics:

- Government Accessibility
- Public Safety
- Homelessness

COMMISSION ON EQUITY 2023 WORK PLAN

STAFF: SHANNON KELLEY-FONG, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
ACTION: APPROVE THE COMMISSION ON EQUITY 2023 WORK PLAN
MOTION: MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBERS COX AND VAZQUEZ

Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager, and Commission on Equity (COE) Commissioners reviewed and discussed the 2023 Work Plan.

The 2023 Work Plan overviews the tasks that the Commission on Equity is anticipated to begin, continue, or complete within the year. The 2023 Work Plan was reviewed by the COE at their December 27, 2022, meeting.

SAFEPLACE LETTER OF SUPPORT

STAFF: RICK WALK, INTERIM CITY MANAGER
SHANNON KELLEY-FONG, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
ACTION: APPROVE SENDING A LETTER TO THE LEGISLATURE IN SUPPORT OF
SAFEPLACE'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS.
MOTION: MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBERS VAZQUEZ AND COX.

Rick Walk, Interim City Manager, and Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager, briefed Council on a recent request from SafePlace.

SafePlace is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) that strives to stop sexual and domestic violence and advocate for personal and societal change through crisis intervention and education.

SafePlace has experienced a decrease in federal funding over the past couple years and is asking the City of Lacey for a letter of support in seeking State funding.