



# CITY OF MOORPARK

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## TEEN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 1, 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

**Arroyo Vista Recreation Center (Sycamore Room) - 4550 Tierra Rejada Road**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

5. **PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. Upcoming Events in 2023

i. Teen Dodgeball Night: Saturday, 2/4/23

i. Promote & attend with friends!

ii. Valentine Skate Night: Saturday, 2/11/23

iii. Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, 4/8/23

i. MANDATORY to volunteer at this event (9:15-1:45) and bring a friend!

iv. Moorpark Earth Festival & Community Yard Sale: Saturday, 5/6/23

i. Teen Council Booth Ideas?

B. Teen Council Event in 2023? – Discuss in groups

6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. Approval of February 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of March 2, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

C. Approval of March 16, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**

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# ITEM 7.A

## TEEN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES February 2, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

### Held via Zoom

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m. by Teen Council President, William Grake.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by member, Samantha Sternstein.

**3. ROLL CALL:**

Present: Azizah Anekwe, Erica Chen, Rishi Gopanapalli, William Gratke, Melanie Jimenez, Jaynie Jindarat, Atussa Maghsoudloo, Rakshitha Rajamani, Maribel Rodriguez, Samantha Sternstein, Jade Yakel, and Abhay Yoganathan.

Absent: Sruthi Gopanapalli, Ethan Jones, and Sarvan Padala.

Staff Present: Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. "Breakfast with Santa" Event Debrief

- i. Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, thanked members of Teen Council for volunteering for this event and for bringing helpful friends to volunteer as well.
- ii. Teen Council members added helpful suggestions for this event in the future, including having additional volunteers so that Teen Council members can focus on serving one table at a time.
- iii. Overall members enjoyed participating in this event.

B. Looking ahead at volunteer opportunities in 2022

- i. Easter Egg Hunt on April 16, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - i. Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, expressed the importance of volunteering for this event as it is a large community event. She discussed various components of the event and asked Teen Council members to bring a trustworthy friend to volunteer.
- ii. Moorpark Earth Festival on May 7, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - i. Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, encouraged Teen Council members to be present, and the group discussed ideas for having a booth. Ideas included a children's area with games and an obstacle course, face painting, rock painting, and others.

C. Discussion of Teen Events with Subcommittees

- i. Due to a loss of meetings for one month due to a surge in the COVID-19

pandemic, subcommittees were not able to plan or discuss future event ideas.

D. Consideration of City Council policies regarding Teen Council

- i. Discussion about prior City Council policies relating to Teen Council, and discussed how the current Teen Council felt about them. This was in reference to the size of Teen Council, how many meetings should be held per month, etc.

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Agreed that there will be no more Zoom meetings.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Teen Council President, William Gratke, adjourned the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

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Victoria Peterson, Recreation Supervisor



# ITEM 7.A

## TEEN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 2, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

### Held via Zoom

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m. by Teen Council President, William Grake.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by member, Samantha Sternstein.

**3. ROLL CALL:**

Present: Azizah Anekwe, Erica Chen, Rishi Gopanapalli, William Gratke, Melanie Jimenez, Jaynie Jindarat, Ethan Jones, Rakshitha Rajamani, Maribel Rodriguez, Jade Yakel, and Abhay Yoganathan.

Absent: Sruthi Gopanapalli, Atussa Maghsoudloo, Sarvan Padala, and Samantha Sternstein.

Staff Present: Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, and Recreation Coordinator, Andrea Moncada.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. Discussion of City's "Easter Egg Hunt" & Teen Council's participation

- i. Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, discussed details regarding the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16, 2022. Teen Council members had the opportunity to share feedback from prior years, and worked together to begin brainstorming ideas for components that Teen Council could contribute to the event.

B. Discussion of City's "Moorpark Earth Festival" & Teen Council's participation

- i. Moorpark Earth Festival on May 7, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - i. Recreation Supervisor, Victoria Peterson, encouraged Teen Council members to be present, and the group discussed ideas for having a booth. Ideas included a children's area with games and an obstacle course, face painting, rock painting, and others.

C. Consideration of events for future Teen Council to execute in Fall of 2022

- i. Acknowledging the difficulties of planning an event before the end of the current Teen Council's term, the group discussed events that could be held early on in the cycle for future Teen Council members. Ideas included a coastal clean-up day, a teen picnic day, home run derby, among other ideas.

D. Teen Council recruitment timeline

- i. Recreation Coordinator, Andrea Moncada, spoke with Teen Council members regarding the upcoming recruitment timeline for the next Teen Council. The application period will open on April 24, 2022 and applications must be submitted no later than June 3, 2022.

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Teen Council President, William Gratke, adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

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Victoria Peterson, Recreation Supervisor



# ITEM 7.A

## TEEN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 16, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

### Arroyo Vista Recreation Center, 4550 Tierra Rejada Road

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Teen Council President, William Grake.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Teen Council President, William Grake.

**3. ROLL CALL:**

Present: Azizah Anekwe, Erica Chen, Rishi Gopanapalli, Sruthi Gopanapalli, William Gratke, Melanie Jimenez, Atussa Maghsoudloo, Samantha Sternstein, Jade Yakel and Abhay Yoganathan.

Absent: Jaynie Jindarat, Ethan Jones, Sarvan Padala, Rakshitha Rajamani, and Maribel Rodriguez.

Staff Present: Recreation Coordinator, Andrea Moncada.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. Discussion of City's "Easter Egg Hunt" & Teen Council's Participation.

- i. Volunteers Needed.
- ii. Event is April 16, 2022, from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.
- iii. Sign Up Sheet was passed around and members wrote down their availability times.

B. Discussion of City's "Moorpark Earth Festival" & Teen Council's Participation.

- i. Teen Council Members were asked to brainstorm ideas of possible tabling activities, Earth related, that they can host at their table at the event.
- ii. Event is May 7, 2022, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
- iii. Members shared that some might not be able to attend due to Mother's Day.

C. Verbal Reminder of the Teen Council Recruitment Timeline.

- i. Applications are due no later than May 16<sup>th</sup> for next year's Teen Council.

D. Discussion about the Teen Council Recognition at Future City Council Meeting.

- i. Two possible dates were presented: 5/18 or 6/1.
- ii. Teen Council voted: May 18 (4 votes) and June 1 (6 votes).
- iii. Final decision: June 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Location is City Hall.

E. Discussion of Subcommittees for Future Teen Council.

- i. Unanimously agreed to continue subcommittees for future Teen Council.
- ii. Current subcommittees: Sports, Trash Pickup, Teen Art, Teen Picnic and Mental Health.
- iii. Discussed possibly having a trash pickup event before or as the last meeting.

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Agreed that there will be no more Zoom meetings.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Teen Council President, William Gratke, adjourned the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

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Andrea Moncada, Recreation Coordinator