



1015 Cultural Park Blvd.
Cape Coral, FL

AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CAPE CORAL YOUTH COUNCIL

May 25, 2018

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

PLEDGE OF CIVILITY

We will be respectful of each other even when we disagree.
We will direct all comments to the issues. We will avoid personal attacks.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

A. Chair Baxter

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. Chair Baxter

3. ROLL CALL

A. Baxter, Benitez, Bernau, Bevan, Curulli, Dunkle, Ico, Molfino,
Orozco, Rodriguez, Saunders, and Zivkovic

4. CHANGES TO AGENDA/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting - May 11, 2018

6. ADVISOR PRESENTATION (30 MINUTES MAXIMUM)

A. City Council Meeting Agenda Report - Advisor Mazurkiewicz

7. CITIZENS INPUT TIME

Input of citizens on matters concerning City Government; 3 minutes per individual.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

9. BUSINESS

- A. Youth Center Facility - Member Saunders
- B. Updating the Cape Coral City Website to be more User Friendly - Member Curulli
- C. Social Media and Outreach for the Youth Council - Member Bevan
- D. Voices for Safe Schools - Member Benitez

10. NEXT MEETING AGENDA TOPICS

11. REPORTS

12. REPORTS OF THE COUNCIL LIAISON AND ADVISORS

13. TIME AND PLACE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- A. A meeting of the Cape Coral Youth Council is scheduled for Friday, June 8, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

GENERAL RULES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING THE CAPE CORAL CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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Persons wishing to address the Youth Council under Citizens Input may do so during the designated times at each meeting. No prior scheduling is necessary. All speakers must have their presentations approved by the City Clerk's office no later than 11:00 AM the day of the meeting. Members of the audience who address the Youth Council shall step up to the speaker's lectern and give his or her full name, address, and whom he or she represents. Proper decorum shall be maintained at all times. Any audience member who is boisterous or disruptive in any manner to the conduct of this meeting shall be asked to leave or be escorted from the meeting room.

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Item Number:	5.A.
Meeting Date:	5/25/2018
Item Type:	APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**AGENDA REQUEST
FORM**
CITY OF CAPE CORAL



TITLE:

Regular Meeting - May 11, 2018

REQUESTED ACTION:

STRATEGIC PLAN INFO:

1. Will this action result in a Budget Amendment?

2. Is this a Strategic Decision?

If Yes, Priority Goals Supported are listed below.

If No, will it harm the intent or success of the Strategic Plan?

Planning & Zoning/Staff Recommendations:

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

LEGAL REVIEW:

EXHIBITS:

PREPARED BY:

Division- Department-

SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Type

□ May 11, 2018 meeting minutes

Backup Material

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING
OF THE CAPE CORAL YOUTH COUNCIL**

Friday, May 11, 2018

Recording Secretary Kerr called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Members Baxter, Benitez, Bernau, Bevan, Curulli, Ico, Molfino, Orozco, Rodriguez, and Zivkovic were present. Dunkle was excused. Saunders arrived at 3:25 p.m.

Also in attendance: Rick Williams, Council Liaison
Joe Mazurkiewicz, Advisor
Brian Bartos, Assistant City Attorney
Connie Griglin, Youth Council Administrative Contact
Cole DeLong, Communications Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Advisor Mazurkiewicz asked for a motion to amend and accept the agenda with the change of taking item 9A Selection of Chair and Vice Chair to be right after item 6C.

Member Baxter moved, seconded by Member Bernau, to move item 9A after item 6C. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Baxter moved, seconded by Member Rodriguez, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from April 27, 2018, as presented. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

ADVISOR PRESENTATIONS

**Indoctrination
Council Liaison Williams**

Council Liaison Williams stated the Youth Council was formed to have a connection with the youth in the City to have their voices heard. By Ordinance the Youth Council is an advisory board to the Cape Coral City Council. Members would be getting their badges today at Human Resources and to provide their shirt size for shirts to be provided. He introduced Connie Griglin who would be the Administrative Contact for the Youth Council. We were still two members short and were working to fill those seats.

Sunshine Laws
Assistant City Attorney Bartos

Assistant City Attorney Bartos provided a handout and discussed the following:

- Sunshine Law also known as the Public Meetings Law
- All meetings at which official acts are to be taken are declared public meetings open to the public at all times and no formal action shall be considered binding except as taken or made at such meetings.
- The definition of meeting is any gathering of two or more members of the same board to discuss some matter on which foreseeable action will be taken by the board.
- Cannot use written communications circulated between board members, texting and emailing included from phones and computers
- If you are not going to be present at a meeting, you can provide a written memo to the City Clerk expressing your position on issues for that meeting which would be distributed to the members by the City Clerk. Do not ask for a response to that memo.
- Daisy Chaining – getting a third party to ask whatever you are trying to convey to another youth council member
- Any violation is a misdemeanor of the second degree, up to 60 days in jail and \$500 fine.
- Action taken in violation of Public Meetings Law is “void ab initio”
- Public records received

Advisor Mazurkiewicz mentioned the Youth Council Facebook page is backed up by the City Clerk. If there is a posting by one of the members of an idea that may possibly come up, that initial posting is okay. The second person that responds breaks the Sunshine. He stated with regard to their City email accounts that all communication concerning Youth Council activities is done on that email account. If there is some communication on your personal email, forward it to the City Clerk.

Assistant City Attorney Bartos added they can forward it from their personal email to the City email account. You can copy the Clerk’s Office too. If any member had any questions, they can contact the City Attorney’s Office at 239 574-0408.

Member Saunders arrived at 3:25 p.m.

Discussion held regarding:

- Sunshine video provided by the Clerk’s Office – how to go about unresolved past events, be very careful because something may come back as an issue again
- Notes taken at meetings, whether on paper or a phone/computer, are public record

Council Liaison Williams noted that the meetings are televised and livestreamed on the

internet site. Records requests are always being requested by the public and if you are using your personal device, such as your phone, it can be subject to be given to the City Clerk.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz discussed public records requests.

Assistant City Attorney Bartos left the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

Roberts Rules of Order Advisor Mazurkiewicz

Advisor Mazurkiewicz discussed the following:

- Generally accepted practices to facilitate an organized meeting
- Giving the members freedom of access to the floor
- He noted he would act as your parliamentarian.
- Issues come to the floor that are on the agenda, they are recognized by the Chair, members need to be recognized by the Chair to speak
- Sophisticated system used by Council, but there are too many members on the Youth Council to use the electronic system to get the floor
- Once an issue is explained to the body, before we start discussing the pros and cons, to have a motion and a second
- Once that occurs, the floor is open for discussion.
- Roberts Rules use is at the discretion of the Chair.
- Getting items set on the next meeting agenda
- How to address changes in the agenda
- Members' responsibilities

BUSINESS

Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Advisor Mazurkiewicz conducted the Selection of Chair and Vice Chair. He noted last year was the first year we had a selection with some knowledge amongst members. There was some good discussion after the process that the incoming juniors did not have a real good feeling for those people who were nominated. You can nominate yourself if no one else does. Nominations do not need a second. Before a vote, there will be presentations by each member nominated. During Council reports, new members should give a quick synopsis about themselves. He asked if the incoming seniors were satisfied with the concerns from last year. Consensus agreed. He noted the Chair has the same vote and powers as everyone else. Their only additional duties are to: run the meeting, make your presentations to other governmental agencies, and approve the agenda with the City Clerk. The Vice Chair serves the role of the Chair if the Chair is not able to serve. He opened the floor for nominations for Chair:

Member Bevan nominated Member Baxter.

Member Curulli nominated Member Molfino.

Member Orozco nominated Member Rodriguez.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz stated hearing no objections, he closed the floor for nominations.

Members Baxter, Molfino, and Rodriguez provided a brief background of why and how they would serve as Chair.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz noted there was no discussion. He asked the Clerk to call the roll for the members to vote for either Baxter, Molfino, or Rodriguez.

Council was polled as follows:

<i>Member Baxter:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>
<i>Member Benitez:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>
<i>Member Bernau:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>
<i>Member Bevan:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>
<i>Member Curulli:</i>	<i>Molfino</i>
<i>Member Ico:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>
<i>Member Orozco:</i>	<i>Rodriguez</i>
<i>Member Molfino:</i>	<i>Molfino</i>
<i>Member Rodriguez:</i>	<i>Rodriguez</i>
<i>Member Saunders:</i>	<i>Rodriguez</i>
<i>Member Zivkovic:</i>	<i>Baxter</i>

Recording Secretary Kerr announced that the tallies were 6 for Baxter, 2 for Molfino, and 3 for Rodriguez.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz stated Member Baxter had the majority.

Member Benitez moved to select Member Baxter as the Chair for the 2018-2019 term, seconded by Member Ico.

Council polled as follows: Baxter, Benitez, Bernau, Bevan, Curulli, Ico, Molfino, Orozco, Rodriguez, Saunders, and Zivkovic voted "aye." Eleven "ayes." Motion carried 11-0.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz opened up the floor for Vice Chair nominations. He stated Chair Baxter will take over the meeting once the selection for Vice Chair is over.

Chair Baxter nominated Member Bernau.

Member Ico nominated Member Rodriguez.

Member Saunders nominated Member Saunders.

Member Curulli nominated Member Molfino.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz stated hearing no objections, he closed the floor for nominations.

Members Bernau, Molfino, Rodriguez, and Saunders provided a brief background of why they want to serve as Vice Chair.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz noted there was no discussion. He asked the Clerk to call the roll for the members to vote for either Bernau, Molfino, Rodriguez, or Saunders.

Council was polled as follows:

<i>Member Baxter:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>
<i>Member Benitez:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>
<i>Member Bernau:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>
<i>Member Bevan:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>
<i>Member Curulli:</i>	<i>Saunders</i>
<i>Member Ico:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>
<i>Member Orozco:</i>	<i>Molfino</i>
<i>Member Molfino:</i>	<i>Molfino</i>
<i>Member Rodriguez:</i>	<i>Saunders</i>
<i>Member Saunders:</i>	<i>Saunders</i>
<i>Member Zivkovic:</i>	<i>Bernau</i>

Recording Secretary Kerr announced that the tallies were 6 for Bernau, 3 for Saunders, and 2 for Molfino.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz stated Member Bernau had the majority.

Member Bevan moved to accept Member Bernau as the Vice Chair for the 2018-2019 term of the Youth Council, seconded by Member Ico.

Council polled as follows: Baxter, Benitez, Bernau, Bevan, Curulli, Ico, Molfino, Orozco, Rodriguez, Saunders, and Zivkovic voted "aye." Eleven "ayes." Motion carried 11-0.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz passed the gavel to Chair Baxter to run the rest of the meeting.

CITIZENS INPUT TIME

No speakers.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

None

Selection of a Member to Present the Quarterly Reports to City Council

Chair Baxter explained how every quarter the Youth Council needs to go in front of City Council to present what we have done in the past few months and talk about what we are going to do in the future. The goal of the Council is to appoint an uprising junior so that they could continue it for the next two years. She asked who would be interested in filling this position.

Members Benitez, Curulli, Ico, and Orozco all expressed their interest in this position.

Discussion held regarding each member taking one quarter apiece to present to Council.

Vice Chair Bernau moved, seconded by Member Molfino, to appoint Members Benitez, Curulli, Ico, and Orozco to be the four to present to City Council.

Council polled as follows: Baxter, Benitez, Bernau, Bevan, Curulli, Ico, Molfino, Orozco, Rodriguez, Saunders, and Zivkovic voted "aye." Eleven "ayes." Motion carried 11-0.

Discussion held regarding what quarter each member would cover will be discussed about a month before the City Council meeting.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA TOPICS

Chair Baxter asked if there were any topics to be considered for the next meeting.

Member Saunders moved, seconded by Member Rodriguez to add the Youth Center Facility as a meeting agenda topic on May 25, 2018 meeting. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

Member Curulli mentioned she would like to add to the next meeting agenda making the City website easier to navigate.

Council Liaison Williams stated he would like to have a discussion on how you can promote yourselves within the schools.

Member Bevan stated there was a scheduled subcommittee meeting for almost exactly what is being discussed: spreading and communicating. She stated she cannot attend the subcommittee meeting today due to work commitments. She noted instead of having

a subcommittee meeting to move this topic to the next meeting agenda topic.

Member Curulli moved, seconded by Member Ico, to discuss updating the Cape Coral City Website to be more user friendly. Voice Poll: All “ayes.” Motion carried.

Member Bevan moved, seconded by Member Benitez, to add to the next meeting agenda discussion of social media and outreach for the Youth Council. Voice Poll: All “ayes.” Motion carried.

Member Benitez moved, seconded by Member Ico, to have a meeting agenda topic on the May 25, 2018 meeting to discuss Voices for Safe Schools. Voice Poll: All “ayes.” Motion carried.

REPORTS

Member Benitez: Topic: She contacted her school's News Director regarding the Citizens Academy.

Chair Baxter noted that before we proceed, Council Liaison Williams and Advisor Mazurkiewicz requested that each member introduce themselves.

Member Benitez stated she attends Cape Coral High School. She is interested in politics; is Steering Committee Chair for Voices for Safe Schools; a member of National Honor Society; French Honor Society; Editor for school newspaper, Won two awards at the Florida Scholastic Press Association.

Member Bernau stated she will be a senior at North Fort Myers High School. She serves as the Chair of the Student Advisory Committee to the School Board; active member of NHS; Key Club; Musical Theater; Chorus; loves music, swimming, and figure skating.

Member Bevan stated she goes to Oasis High School. She plays volleyball, a member of multiple clubs, NHS, and the National Spanish Honor Society. Her grandmother, Patti Martin, who served on City boards, inspired her to participate on the Youth Council.

Member Curulli stated she goes to Island Coast High School. She has been on her school's Tennis Team, Basketball Team, and is running for Junior Class President.

Member Ico stated she is a sophomore in the IB Program at Cape Coral High School. She has been playing volleyball for the past four years and enjoys public speaking.

Member Molfino stated she is a rising senior and attends Island Coast High School. She has published a short story during her freshman year and currently working on three projects to publish in full. She is President of the National Honor Society; President of the Writing Club; and Steering Committee Chair for Voter Registration Leadership Team.

Member Orozco stated he attends Mariner High School. He is involved in many volunteering events at his school, many clubs, and Honor Societies.

Member Rodriguez stated he attends Ida Baker High School and plans to go to college to major in meteorology. He plans to become Mayor of Cape Coral, Governor of Florida, and eventually the President of the United States. He loves traveling, is the President of the Key Club; President of ASL Club; and a member of many other clubs.

Member Saunders stated she is an incoming senior at Mariner High School. She loves band, wind ensemble, marching band, jazz band, and writes music. She is interested in art, painting, engineering, and designing T-shirts. Education is important to her since both her mom and grandmother are teachers.

Member Zivkovic stated he goes to Oasis High school where he is a sophomore/rising junior. He likes to travel and is involved with JROTC, school activities, sports, and various clubs. He will be travelling this summer to Buton for 30 days to learn about Buddhism.

Chair Baxter stated she is an uprising senior at Cape Coral High School and presently an IB junior. She is a member of the Honor Societies, Rho Kappa, Hispanic Honor Society and National Honor Society; presently the President of Cape Coral High School Young Democrats. She wants to major in international relations, attend law school, and become a human rights lawyer.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL LIAISON AND ADVISORS

Communications Director DeLong stated he is an IB junior and will be a senior next year. He loves politics and has worked on four political campaigns. He is the Communications Director and was here to help with social media. He is also the Captain of the Swim Team.

Council Liaison Williams stated badges will not be available today since it is already late in the day. You can wait until next meeting or come by to the Council Office and see Ms. Griglin. He asked if there were any members to go to the FGCU Ethics Competition.

Discussion held regarding pursuing this competition more actively next year.

Council Liaison Williams discussed the abbreviated version of the Citizens Academy to be held on June 6th and June 7th. If anyone is interested in this program, please make sure that you are committed. He noted everyone should check their emails about the announcement.

Youth Council Administrative Contact Griglin stated she was going to distribute

passwords today to the new members.

Council Liaison Williams stated to please check your emails and respond whether or not you will participate in the Citizens Academy. He questioned if there would be a subcommittee meeting today.

Member Bevan stated the topic of the subcommittee meeting was moved to the next regular meeting agenda.

Council Liaison Williams stated we should discuss the status of the subcommittee meetings at a future meeting. He stressed attendance at Youth Council meetings. He discussed the Florida League of Cities (FLC) meeting in Hollywood. There probably will be a bus shared with the Fort Myers Youth Council. He was trying to get information from the FLC if we can get motel reservations for the members and their families using the FLC block rates. Registration will be paid for by the City. He noted there are other opportunities for participating as a guest, about \$200, which would allow you to go to all of the sessions. More information will be provided as it becomes available for this trip on August 17th and 18th.

Advisor Mazurkiewicz welcomed the new members and looked forward to working with the Council this year. He offered his help to them via email.

TIME AND PLACE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

A Subcommittee Meeting of the Cape Coral Youth Council scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2018, directly after the end of the meeting to discuss Strategic Plan assignments in Council Chambers, was canceled. Strategic Vision People (Bevan, Saunders, and DeLong).

A regular meeting of the Cape Coral Youth Council was scheduled for Friday, May 25, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Submitted by,

Barbara Kerr
Recording Secretary