



Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission

HQ. Bldg. Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California
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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**Wednesday, August 26, 2026
6:00 PM**

District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.

SCVWD Youth Commission
TBD - Commission Chairperson
Ellie Zhou - Commission Vice
Chairperson
BOARD REPRESENTATIVES
Director John Varela - District 1
Director Shiloh Ballard - District 2
Director Nai Hsueh - District 5

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Kristen Yasukawa (Staff
Liaison)

Dave Leon (COB Liaison)
Assistant Deputy Clerk II
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1. CALL TO ORDER:

1.1. Roll Call.

2. WELCOME:

Board of Directors

3. OATHS OF OFFICE

4. INTRODUCTIONS

4.1. Valley Water Staff

4.2. Commission Members

5. INTERACTIVE ACTIVITY

6. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON

7. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.

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8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

8.1. Approval of Minutes.

[26-0660](#)

Recommendation: Approve the May 20, 2026 meeting minutes.

Manager: Wendy Ho, 408-630-3874

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 05202026 Youth Commission Minutes](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 minutes

9. REGULAR AGENDA:

9.1. Receive Presentation Relating to Valley Water Board Resolution No. 17-75 and Expectations.

[26-0647](#)

Recommendation: Receive Presentation Relating to Board Resolution No. 17-75, which defines the structure and purpose of the Valley Water Youth Commission and expectations.

Manager: Rachael Gibson, 408-630-2884

Attachments: [Attachment 1 Board Resolution 17-75](#)
[Attachment 2: 2026 Youth Commission Bylaws Expectations](#)

Est. Staff Time: 10 minutes

9.2. Receive Brown Act Overview and Training.

[26-0648](#)

Recommendation: Receive training regarding Brown Act requirements governing public meetings.

Manager: Andrew Gschwind, 408-630-2804

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 2026 YC Brown Act Training](#)

Est. Staff Time: 20 minutes

9.3. Receive the Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission's Accomplishments Report, Recognition of the 2026 Outgoing Santa Clara

[26-0659](#)

Valley Water District Youth Commission Members and Forward the Accomplishments Report to the Board for Consideration.

Recommendation: A. Receive and accept the Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission's Accomplishments Report; and
 B. Acknowledge and recognize the 2026 outgoing Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission Members; and
 C. Approve forwarding the Accomplishments Report to the Board for consideration.

Manager: Rachael Gibson, 408-630-2884

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 2026 Youth Commission Accomplishments Report](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 minutes

10. MANAGER'S REPORT

11. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.

This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.

12. ADJOURN:

12.1. Adjourn. The Next Special Meeting is Scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on October 21, 2026.