

**Bastrop Youth Advisory Council Agenda**  
Bastrop City Hall City Council Chambers  
1311 Chestnut Street  
Bastrop, TX 78602  
(512) 332-8800



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**February 09, 2023**

**Agenda - Youth Advisory Council at 5:30 PM**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*At this time, three (3) minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. Anyone in attendance wishing to address the Board/Commission must complete a citizen comment form and give the completed form to the Board/Commission Secretary prior to the start of the Board/Commission meeting. Alternately, if you are unable to attend the Board/Commission meeting, you may complete a citizen comment form with your comments at [www.cityofbastrop.org/citizencommentform](http://www.cityofbastrop.org/citizencommentform) at least two hours before the meeting starts on the requested date. Comments submitted by this time will be given to the Board/Commission during the meeting and included in the public record, but not read aloud. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, if a citizen discusses any item not on the agenda, the Board/Commission cannot discuss issues raised or make any decision at this time. Instead, the Board/Commission is limited to making a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Issues may be referred to City Manager for research and possible future action.*

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**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**4. REPORTS**

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

- 5A. Receive presentation from Interim Chief of Police Vicky Steffanic on the City of Bastrop Police Department.
- 5B. Receive presentation from Fire Chief Andres Rosales on the City of Bastrop Fire Department.

**6. WORKSHOP**

- 6A. Youth Advisory Council Project

**7. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

- 7A. Consider action to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2022 and January 19, 2023 Youth Advisory Council Meetings.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting as posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place of convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website, [www.cityofbastrop.org](http://www.cityofbastrop.org) and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: January 31, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

/s/ Candice Butts  
Candice Butts, Main Street Manager

**MINUTES OF BASTROP YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**December 15, 2022**

The Youth Advisory Council met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bastrop Opera House Spring Street 711 in Bastrop, Texas. Members present were Brendi Lyles, Joel Briones, Arwyn Ayala, Isaiah Molina, Debora Acosta, and Elayna Coy, Gabriella Lozano, Ben Zhu. Also present: Main Street Manager Candice Butts, Stacey Harris a volunteer of the Opera House, and Terry Moore the Bastrop Recreation Manager.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** At 5:32pm and there was no quorum present. A quorum was met at 5:40pm.
2. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:** No citizen comments.
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Two members of the Youth Advisory Council have failed to make the meetings, so there's two new members. One of them showed up for this meeting, and her name is Debora Acosta.
4. **REPORTS:** None.
5. **PRESENTATIONS:**

5A.Stacey Harris Presented about the Opera House and the theater and opened the question to the Youth Advisory Council. People from all ages play at the Opera house, and people from other cities come to the Opera House to volunteer, such as cities from Austin, Giddings, Kyle and other cities that are by Bastrop, TX.

5B.Bastrop Recreation Program from Recreation Manager Terry Moore: The Bastrop Opera House was used for a “teenage hangout” spot, where there is a tree, underneath the Bastrop Opera stage, where people would use for targeting practice. This place would be used for a skater rink. Terry Moore, has been in plays and adores things that are fun apart from Bastrop, which influenced her role in the Bastrop Recreation program. Terry Moore encourages students to volunteer at the city of Bastrop Recreation so that we could spread the Recreation system to more people. We could reach her by going to the Recreation link : [www.CityofBastrop.Org/Recreation](http://www.CityofBastrop.Org/Recreation). Terry Moore is ready to have the teenager's voice, and for the youth to influence her, thus influencing the recreation center. Terry Moore is talking with the Youth Advisory Council about what she can do to involve the youth with the Recreation system. Terry Moore, mentioned her devotion for the Recreation center and how and where she wants to build one.

5C.Personality Project Presentation:The Youth Advisory Council presented their personality projects, Ben Zhu, and Gaby Lozano presented their personality which is “peaceful” phlegmatic, Isaiah Molina, Brendi Lyles, and Arwyn Ayala presented the “powerful choleric”. Joel Briones presented perfect melanacy. Elayna presented “popular sangrie.”

**6. WORKSHOP:**

6A: 2022-2023 Youth Advisory Council Project: The Youth Advisory Council talked about their project, which would be an event that is hosted by other businesses, such as one that would be sponsored by Zumba. Gabriella raised the idea, if this would be more focused on Mental Health or physical Health. Gabriella came to the idea, where Youth Advisory could host an awareness event that a business speaker could be a part of. Ideas about the project is a festival that the Youth Advisory Council would have annually. Debora Acosta brought up the idea of having an annual Field day, where we wouldn't have music and food be dominant, but the events be the center of the field day. However, Candice Butts mentioned it may not be a project that future Youth Advisory Councils are interested in. Terry Moore mentioned that the youth might be interested in a battle of the bands. Having this event in the first week of June, which would celebrate the summer being here, and a battle of the bands being played there.

**ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:**

Individual Consideration: Ben Zhu made the motion, and Isaiah Molina seconded the motion. The Youth Advisory council came to a consensus for the meeting notes that we reviewed by the Youth Advisory Council.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm without any objection.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Benjamin Zhu, President

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Candice Butts, Main Street Manager

**MINUTES OF BASTROP YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**January 19, 2022**

The Youth Advisory Council met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers located at 1311 Chestnut Street in Bastrop, Texas. Members present were Brendi Lyles, Michael Svetlik, Benjamin Zhu, Arwyn Ayala, Venus Gonzales Vega, Isaiah Molina, Merrique Deschamault, Elayna Coy, Also present: Main Street Manager Candice Butts, and BISD representative Chris White.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** At 5:31pm and there was no quorum present.
2. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:** No citizen comments.
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Merrique Deschamault is a new member of the Youth Advisory Council
4. **REPORTS:** None.
5. **PRESENTATIONS:**

5A. Jennifer Bills City of Bastrop Director of Planning and Development on growth in Bastrop Presentation: Jennifer Bills presented a presentation over planning and development. Jennifer went over the plans that they are currently working on for the city of Bastrop. Which include Long-Range Planning, Zoning, Neighborhood Regulating Plans, Subdivision, Site Development plans, Historic Preservation and flood prevention. Although Bastrop has not been through a flood recently, Bastrop has had several natural disasters, and as a person who is a part of the occupation of planning and development. They are attempting to maintain and preserve Bastrop. Jennifer Bills also went into detail about the upcoming studies which include, loop 150 corridor study with CAM ( an old iron bridge rehab/ deck park), Future land use and comprehensive plan update, parks and recreation plan, wastewater master plan, drainage plan, Transportation master plan, and a transportation impact fee. Jennifer Bills mentioned that Bastrop is becoming a larger city, and we need certain components, the larger the city gets, such as a park and recreation. Jennifer Bills went into detail about Bastrop's future land use plan, which is a plan that they will be updating this year. B<sup>3</sup> Intent is Bastrops Building block code (also called the Big 3), which has three components: 1) Fiscal Sustainability 2) Geographically sensitive Developments 3) Perpetuation of Authentic Bastrop. Jennifer Bills went into detail on how B<sup>3</sup> is different due to it being form based. Which they regulate by building blocks and building types. B<sup>3</sup> is also different because they are human scaled, and the people of Planning and development growth in Bastrop also looked at how Bastrop was historically built. Jennifer Bills went into detail about the planning of Bastrop such as the layout that they use for the public to organize everything for the citizens of Bastrop. And how they use certain construction to help with safety, which include: permits, inspections, code enforcement, and signs. Jennifer bills also went into detail on adopted codes, which are the international code council family: the 2018 international residential code, 2018 international Building code, 2018 international fire code, and the 2000 Property Maintenance code. Additionally, Jennifer Bills gave time if anyone had questions. Chris White asked a question relating to the infrastructure of a restaurant, and what information that she gets knowing the building of it. Jennifer Bills answered by a pond that is by it, and making sure that it has the appropriate drainage system. Debora Acosta asked the question as many subdivisions are growing, what is the issue that adds to the small schools, when more population continues to add to Bastrop. Jennifer added that she looks at the wastewater for schools.

**6. WORKSHOP:**

6A: 2022-2023 Youth Advisory Council Project: Venus brought up the idea that high schools be interactive with the event, and clubs such as student council and NHS. Debora explained the idea of targeting these clubs to a target audience, which would be middle schoolers. Chris White brought the idea to students from ages 12 and up, which Merriquer added that having business would inspire students to go to a college in that profession. This event would take place in April and discussed for the event to possibly take place in the park. If so, the Youth Advisory Council could ask BISD to make this event an excused absence, with a check-in area. Chris came up with the idea of having a bingo, scavenger hunt, or having some sort of prize at the end. The Youth Advisory Council added that this event could be possibly at a BISD campus. Lastly, we decided that Brendi Lyles will make the google survey form on poll students on what they would like to see at the event and the Youth Advisory Council will review at the next meeting.

**ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:**

Individual Consideration: No individual consideration due to a quorum not being present.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned 7:01 without any objection.

APPROVED:

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Benjamin Zhu, President

ATTEST:

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Candice Butts, Main Street Manager