



MINUTES
Mayor's Youth Advisory Council
Prosper Town Hall, Council Chambers
250 W First Street, Prosper, Texas
Wednesday, January 21, 2026

1. Call to Order / Roll Call (JH)

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

MYAC Members Present:

Arjun Venkatakrisnan
Joshua Hart, Chair
Jonathan Jones, Vice Chair
Om Gaddad
Ashley Church
Emory Crownover
Shivani Sankar
Molly Curtis
Aditi Aggarwal
Samiksha Menaka
Benjamin Hopes
Juwairiah Athar
Ridge Casanova
Aubrey Beaird
Shreshta Gangadi
Shriya Kaliyam
Riley Casper
Rhian Price
Abigail Ryan

MYAC Members Absent:

Krishitha Pingeli
Yara Al-Daggistany
Ava Tran
Sai Aaradhya Vanaparthi

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor David Bristol
Cameron Reeves
Jeff Hodges

Staff Members Present:

Mario Canizares, Town Manager
Myrisa Petty, Community Engagement Coordinator
Robyn Battle, Executive Director
Todd Rice, Communications Director

2. Consider and Act Upon the minutes of the December 3, 2025, Mayor's Youth Advisory Council Meeting (JH)

Aubrey Beaird made a motion and Emory Crownover seconded the motion to approve the December 3, 2025 MYAC minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Hot Topics with Mayor Bristol. (DB)

Mayor Bristol welcomed the council and reminded them of the Mayor's challenge from the previous meeting. The challenge asked the council to attend the Prosper Christmas Festival and bring both good and bad feedback. The Council spoke of enjoying volunteering with the Christmas Shoppe. Other feedback included that more signage of handheld versions of the festival map would have been appreciated. Mayor Bristol also shared with the council that 2026 is the 250th anniversary of the USA and how the Town is actively working to roll this celebration in with existing events as well as stand-alone events.

4. MYAC Hot Topics (JH)

Mayor Bristol opened the floor for the council to present any hot topics of their own. The Council inquired about increased law enforcement presence recently. Mr. Canizares shared updates on the e-bike registrations and training at the Town onboards more officers. Mayor Bristol and Mr. Canizares also shared what the Town is doing to prepare for the upcoming winter storm expected this weekend.

5. Municipal Government Careers and Degree Plans with Ted Benavides

Professor Ted Benavides gave an overview of degree plans that the University of Texas at Dallas offers for students interested in the public sector for work. Mr. Benavides also shared his experiences as City Manager of Dallas and Denton and his advice for municipalities as they grow.

6. Voter Registration Initiative (JH)

The Council remains in favor of an initiative with PISD schools to present the importance of registration and voting in local elections. It was decided that this initiative will be the responsibility of the Information and Outreach subcommittee.

7. MYAC Subcommittee Updates (JH)

Mr. Hart gave an overview of the subcommittees for the 2026 Class. These include Information and Outreach, Operations and Partnerships and Events and Involvement. He designated that each subcommittee has their own respective chair. Each subcommittee chair is as follows: Information and Outreach – Molly Curtis, Operations and Partnerships – Benjamin Hopes, and Events and Involvement – Om Gaddad. Emory Crownover made a motion to approve the subcommittees with Om Gaddad seconding the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Requests for Future Agenda Items (MP)

The Council requested the following for the February meeting:

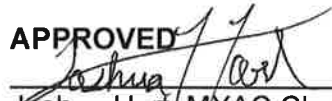
- Prosper Superstars Overview from Trevor Helton

9. Adjourn

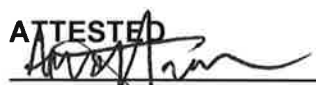
The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

These minutes were approved on February 25, 2026.

APPROVED


Joshua Hart, MYAC Chair

ATTESTED


Ava Tran, MYAC Secretary