



## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, October 28, 2025  
**TO:** CITY COUNCIL  
**WRITTEN BY:** RECREATION SERVICES MANAGER MEROLLA  
**RECOMMENDED BY:** DEPUTY CITY MANAGER CALUBAQUIB  
**APPROVED BY:** TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** APPOINT TEEN ACTION COUNCIL YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution appointing Isabella Alvarado to the City of Watsonville Parks and Recreation Commission and Christina Nolasco to the City of Watsonville Library Commission as Youth Representatives.

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### BACKGROUND:

The Watsonville Teen Action Council (TAC) is a youth leadership program coordinated through the City's Parks and Community Services Department, along with the Watsonville Public Library. The Council provides local teens with opportunities to develop civic engagement, leadership, and advocacy skills while serving as a voice for Watsonville's youth community. TAC members collaborate on community projects, advise City staff on youth-related initiatives, and help plan events that promote youth connection and empowerment. Each year, members are elected to serve a one-year term, ensuring diverse youth representation and continued leadership development within the program.

### DISCUSSION:

The City of Watsonville Public Library and Parks and Community Services Departments would like to welcome the following youth leaders to the Teen Action Council, as elected by their peers:

- Camila Rocha-Roque, Co-Chair
- Anahi Cortz-Jacobo, Co-Chair
- Sofia Ibarra Bucio, Secretary
- Naomi Brunelli, Treasurer

- Emily Elizabeth Rodriguez, Director at Large
- Eva Sofia Martinez Rodriguez, Marketing Chair
- Isabella Alvarado, Parks & Community Services Representative
- Christina Nolasco, Library Commission Representative
- Luka Chavez-Luna, Community Development Representative
- Amy Vasquez-Ortiz, Empower Watsonville Ambassador
- Alyssa Oliver, PVUSD Ambassador

The Teen Action Council is poised to begin addressing issues facing local Watsonville youth around Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and substance use. The Watsonville Teen Action Council serves as a bridge between local government and youth, creating opportunities for young people to share their perspectives, participate in decision-making, and help shape the future of their community.

It is recommended that the Council adopt a resolution appointing Isabella Alvarado to the City of Watsonville Parks and Recreation Commission and Christina Nolasco to the City of Watsonville Library Commission as Youth Representatives for the 2025-2026 school year.

## **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:**

This action is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq. and the CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15000 et. seq.), including without limitation, Public Resources Code section 21065 and California Code of Regulations 15378 as this is not a “project” that may cause a direct, or reasonably foreseeable indirect, physical change in the environment and because the action constitutes organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Additionally, even if a “project,” the action would be exempt under the “common sense” exception (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

### **Community Engagement & Well-being**

This program continues to support the Strategic Plan goal of Community Engagement and Well-Being by leveraging resources and strengthening community partnerships through youth programs that build developmental assets and improve the quality of life. Through free youth programming youth are provided with safe places to be out of school, positive role models, and violence and gang prevention.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None.

## **ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

The Council could elect not to approve these appointments, and therefore neither would have youth representation.

**ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):**

None.