

Minutes

Scottsdale Mayor's Youth Council

February 9, 2026 4:00-5:30 P.M.

Minutes of the MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL held on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

at the Paiute Neighborhood Center

Call to Order

Council President Arielle Kutz called the meeting to order at 4:09 P.M.

Attendance Roll Call

Council Secretary Vishwa Gandhi

Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Arielle Kutz

Approval Of Minutes: Motion to approve received a second with no objection - Approved

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

The Mayor's Youth Council welcomes public comment. According to the Arizona

Meeting Law, the council may only discuss matters listed on its meeting agendas.

Matters brought up by the public under public appearances that are not listed on the

meeting agenda cannot be discussed over the Council. A three (3) -minute time limit per

person will be in effect.

1. Welcome: Synopsis of Meeting

- Members were welcomed and given an overview of the meeting.

2. Agenda Item: Check-In

- Quick Check-in regarding Parada Del Sol Parade.

3. Agenda Item: Budget Presentation

- Members received a presentation from the Scottsdale Budget Office covering key municipal finance terms, including General Fund, Enterprise Funds, Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), fund balance, and debt service.

The presentation also outlined Scottsdale-specific budgeting requirements, including:

- State of Arizona expenditure limitations and truth-in-taxation requirements
 - Council-adopted financial policies
 - Multi-year forecasting practices
 - Capital planning and voter-approved funding considerations
 - Annual budget development timeline, from departmental requests through final adoption
- Members asked questions regarding structural balance, reserve policies, and long-term financial planning.
 - Members then participated in an interactive budgeting activity.

The activity emphasized the trade-offs involved in balancing the City's budget while maintaining service levels and fiscal responsibility.

4. Future meeting reminders

Scheduled upcoming meetings and activities, including:

- February 23: General Meeting

- March 9: Mock Trial Prep
- March 23: Mock Trial

Meeting adjourned by SMYC President Arielle Kutz at 5:29 P.M.

Minutes Prepared by: Vishwa Gandhi, SMYC Secretary

Minutes Reviewed by: YFS Manager Kristy Hahn-McDonald, MSW, LCSW