

Minutes

Scottsdale Mayor's Youth Council

September 28, 2026 4:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Minutes of the MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL held on September 28, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

At the Scottsdale Police Headquarters

Call to Order

SMYC President Siddhanth Gupta called the meeting to order at 4:06 P.M.

Attendance Roll Call

SMYC Secretary Vihaan Mehta

Pledge of Allegiance

SMYC President Siddhanth Gupta

Approval of Minutes

N/A

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

- SMYC President Siddanth “Sid” Gupta welcomed back council-members, thanking them for attending our new tour at the Scottsdale Police Headquarters.

2. Speech from Chief of Police, Joe LeDuc

- Recognized SMYC for its presence, thanked members and Kristy for attending the Code Enforcement tour, and admired member’s dedication to learning about the inner-workings of Scottsdale City Government.
- Spoke on fostering a relationship with Scottsdale citizens and the merits of leadership, community, and public service.

3. Code Enforcement Tour from Senior Code Enforcement Officer, Richie Homyak

- Introduced members to code enforcement, describing the two branches of the code enforcement team, and their role in enforcing city codes around Scottsdale.
- Introduced the mission of the Code Enforcement Team, and explained Scottsdale City Code Chapter 18: Property Maintenance and Public Nuisances
- Introduced the Code Enforcement Approach, and broke it down into three steps:
 - Education First: Inform residents of code requirements
 - Voluntary Compliance: Work with property owners to achieve resolution
 - Progressive Enforcement: Pursue formal actions (citations)

4. Photo Enforcement Tour from Police Traffic Program Supervisor, Alex Rustuccia

- Introduced members to the history of photo enforcement in Scottsdale
- Explained the process of photo-traffic violations:
 - First, the PTP reviews the violation, and if they need, pass on to the Scottsdale Police Department. Then, the police department reviews violations and takes necessary action.
- Explained what happens when drivers receive citations, outlining the 5 possible options
- Introduced City of Scottsdale laws and fines pertaining to photo enforcement, and how those laws are enforced
- Defined rules of traffic within intersections and school zones, and displayed videos of traffic violations, which proved effective in getting the council to understand the harms of reckless driving.

5. Future Meeting Reminders

- Scheduled upcoming meetings and activities, including:
 - October 5th: Scottsdale Airpark Tour

Meeting adjourned by SMYC President Siddhanth Gupta at 5:38 P.M.

Minutes Prepared By: Vihaan Mehta, SMYC Secretary

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