



Youth Advisory Council

1. Community Leader Presentation – 5:00 PM

A. [City of Cornelius](#): John Colgan, Cornelius City Councilor

Who is John Colgan?

Born in 1986, I grew up in and around Prescott AZ; it took me until 2014 to fix that unfortunate mistake. There were very few opportunities for people in that community, especially for young people. It was very limiting and extremely boring. Being poor didn't help.

After working in a local Architect's office for a few years, I started college in 2005 and received an Associate's Degree in Construction Management, along with my contractor's license. 2007 was not a great time to start out building houses *great recession* so, I went back to college planning to get a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering. That never happened, since I got a job on my college campus as a tutor which I really enjoyed that led me to the bright idea of becoming a teacher. I graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education in 2011. It took me a couple of years teaching in AZ to build up my resume and my savings account enough to finally move to where I wanted to be: I arrived in the Portland area in May of 2014.

I was fortunate enough to get my job at Neil Armstrong MS (teaching math) for the 14/15 school year and I've been there ever since. I rented a house in Hillsboro for around a year and a half before buying my home in Cornelius. Being in Cornelius was very intentional, I really appreciate the diversity and honesty of the community. I love the walkability of our city and that I'm not dependent on a car to live my daily life—it's easy to take that for granted if you've never lived somewhere where no car means you can't do anything.

Since getting here: I've served two years on the Cornelius Budget Committee, six years on City Council (so far), I've volunteered as a tutor in our library, I've finished a Masters Degree in Education, gotten one divorce (always learn from your mistakes), gotten married again, and started my own tiny little business making nick-nacks out of wood. I enjoy fishing, camping, exploring, cooking, video games, astronomy, watching tv and movies, and I'm constantly reading books.

2. 5 Minute Break – 5:30 PM

3. New City Trash Cans Art – 5:40

- A. [Tualatin Valley Creates](#): Yasmin Ruvalcaba, Executive Director

4. Regular Session – 6:25 PM

Call to Order – Roll Call

5. Consent Agenda

The items on the Consent Agenda are considered and adopted by one motion unless a Council Member requests that an item be considered separately before a vote of the Consent items. The Co-Chairs shall decide when an item is removed from Consent for discussion.

- A. Youth Advisory Council Minutes, June 20, 2024 (Overview/Approval)

6. New Business

- A. Next Community Leader

7. Old Business

A. Projects & Events Update

- i. Art of Trash Cans in the City
- ii. [Flicks at the Park](#): (Shrek 2, Trolls, Kung Fu Panda 4, Blue Beetle) Scavenger Hunt, community event survey, prizes!
- iii. [National Night Out](#): Community event survey and dunk tank!

B. Upcoming Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2024 | Cornelius Public Library | 5-7pm

7. Adjourn – 7:00pm

Notes: