



YOUTH COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

October 13, 2021
Item 6

**TITLE: SELECTION OF SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR
2021/22**

SUMMARY

Each year, the Youth Commission discusses a variety of opportunities to participate on committees and in meetings and selects Youth Commission representatives. This activity is identified on the Youth Commission's 2021/22 Work Plan and meets Youth Master Plan implementation goals and strategies.

RECOMMENDATION

Select commission members to serve on the following subcommittees for school year 2021/22: Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails, Health and Wellness, Ptownlife Website, and Public Policy.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There is no financial impact for this item.

BACKGROUND

To reinforce Goal 3: Contributing Youth from the Youth Master Plan, each of these subcommittees are seeking youth representatives. Participation on these subcommittees and in meetings allows youth to have a voice in the various projects and events taking place in Pleasanton. Representatives from each of the subcommittees and meetings will provide monthly updates to the Youth Commission.

DISCUSSION

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee advises the Parks and Recreation Commission and the City's Traffic Engineering Division on bicycle, pedestrian, and trail related items. The committee reviews and prioritizes potential projects, provides input on policies related to bikeways and trails, and promotes community education and awareness regarding non-motorized forms of transportation.

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Committee aligns with the following Youth Master Plan Goals and Strategies: Goal 2: Healthy and Safe Youth (2.3) and Goal 3: Contributing Youth (3.1, 3.2, 3.4)

Meetings take place the fourth Monday of each month at 6:45 p.m. at the Pleasanton Senior Center.

One (1) representative from the Youth Commission is needed.

Health and Wellness Subcommittee

On March 21, 2017, the City Council adopted a two-year work plan which identified the creation of the Teen Health and Wellness Committee of the Youth Commission.

The committee will be comprised of Youth Commissioners, youth members from the community, City Staff, and Pleasanton Unified School District staff. The work of the subcommittee will be to understand and address current health and wellness issues facing the youth and families in our community. The committee, under the supervision of the Youth Commission, will work to create resources and activities to support youth and their families in this area.

A regular meeting schedule will be set to coincide with the school year (August through May) and members will determine the frequency of meetings. The Health and Wellness Subcommittee aligns with the following Youth Master Plan Goals and Strategies: Goal 2: Healthy and Safe Youth (2.3) and Goal 3: Contributing Youth (3.1, 3.2, 3.4).

Four (4) representatives from the Youth Commission are needed.

Ptownlife Website Subcommittee

The Youth Commission provides general oversight of the Ptownlife.org website and News Team's work as part of their workplan. The Ptownlife Website Subcommittee will be comprised of both Youth Commissioner and Ptownlife News Team members. The work of the subcommittee will be to evaluate the website's effectiveness and propose a

potential redesign to better reach a youth audience. In the 2021-22 City Council Work Plan priority process, the Youth Commission highlighted the website redesign as a potential project under the youth related 'Expand Connections to Youth and Teen Services' priority.

Three (3) representatives from the Youth Commission are needed.

Public Policy Subcommittee

The Public Policy subcommittee's prior projects include obtaining approval of a smoking ban in City parks and trails, adding youth member seats to City Commissions, and the approval of a ban on flavored tobacco.

This year the Public Policy subcommittee will be responsible for Youth in Government Day. Youth in Government Day is hosted by the City of Pleasanton and Pleasanton Unified School District. The goal of the day is to stimulate interest in community governance and assist in the understanding of the democratic process. Pleasanton high school students are selected by their teachers and administrators to spend a day job shadowing, participating in staff meetings, and learning about the City and School District leadership.

Committee may identify an additional focus area for the 2021/22 year if interested.

The Public Policy Subcommittee aligns with the following Youth Master Plan Goals and Strategies: Goal 1: Prepared Youth (1.3), Goal 2: Healthy and Safe Youth (2.3, 2.6, 2.7) and Goal 3: Contributing Youth (3.1, 3.2, 3.5)

Meeting dates and times are to be determined.

Four (4) representatives from the Youth Commission are needed.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION

Any other action as determined by the Youth Commission.

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