

YOUTH COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

October 12, 2022
Item 4

**TITLE: DISCUSS AND RECOMMEND YOUTH COMMISSION COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

SUMMARY

At the September 21, 2022 Youth Commission meeting, commissioners discussed and approved the 2022/23 Work Plan. Following the approval, the commission requested a discussion on potential opportunities for the commission to engage with youth in the community. This aligns with the City Council Work Plan priority to “Expand Connections to Youth and Teen Services.”

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss and recommend Youth Commission community engagement opportunities.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There is no financial impact for this item.

BACKGROUND

At the September 21, 2022 Youth Commission meeting, commissioners approved the 2022/23 Work Plan that includes the 2021-2023 City Council priority of “Expand Connections to Youth and Teen Services”.

Expand Connections to Youth and Teen Services

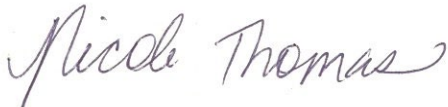
Promote awareness and access to a variety of opportunities for youth, teens, and young adults in the areas of workforce development, recreation, and enrichment opportunities with a specific emphasis on reaching under-served youth, teens, young adults and their families.

Following the approval, Commissioner Saxena requested that a future discussion be included on how the commission can improve outreach and further engage youth. The commission approved this request.

DISCUSSION

The Work Plan and City Council priority to “Expand Connections to Youth and Teen Services” is a high-level goal that is typically supported by more specific strategies. In the past, these strategies have included the commission outreaching to schools and social networks, supporting the Community Education Series (specifically the Teen Wellness and the Middle School Transition workshops), and assisting staff with recruitment strategies for seasonal vacancies suited for employment age youth. This also supports Goal 6: Informed Youth of the Youth Master Plan.

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