



**City of Rochester Hills  
Youth Representative Application  
for City Council Communication Committees**

1000 Rochester Hills Dr.  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309  
(248) 841-2463  
www.rochesterhills.org

*The Rochester Hills City Council has established a Youth Representative Position on each of its five Communication Committees. The committees discuss, review and study policies and/or administrative issues to provide recommendations to the City Council, the Mayor and Administrative Staff. You must be a resident of the City of Rochester Hills to apply.*

**Profile Information:** *Please type or print using black ink.*

Student Name: Kelley Marie Kosuda Birthdate: 11/14/89 Age: 14

Street Address: 336 Tanglewood

City: Rochester Hills State: MI Zip Code: 48309

E-Mail Address (if applicable): kelbell3020@yahoo.com Home Phone: (248) 656-1357

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Name: Steve + Diane Kosuda

School Name: West Middle School Grade: 8 Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name: Mr. Micheal Dhillion School Phone: (248) 726-5000

School Address: 500 Old Perch Road

City: Rochester Hills State: MI Zip Code: 48309

**Committee Choices:**

*Please indicate your top three choices (1 being first) of which Committee you would most like to serve:*

- [ 2 ] **Administration & Information Services (AIS)** reviews policy matters of general government and information services regarding communications, information technology, salaries and per diems, class C licenses, elections and municipal organization.
- [ ] **Community Development & Viability (CDV)** reviews policy matters such as land development and maintenance, economic development and maintenance, and infrastructure development and maintenance.
- [ ] **Financial Services (FS)** reviews policy matters of budget and financial affairs.
- [ 1 ] **Leisure Activities (LA)** reviews policies regarding city parks, Museum, Environmental Educational Center, community events and inter local recreational facilities and programs.
- [ 3 ] **Public Safety (PS)** reviews policies regarding fire protection, police protection, emergency medical service, traffic and pedestrian safety, emergency operations and civil defense.

**Essay Questions:**

Please type or neatly write a short essay on a separate piece of paper responding to the following questions. (500 words maximum.)

1. Please explain why you would like to be a member of a Communication Committee?
2. What personal skills and characteristics do you possess that would make you a good representative?
3. What are your interests?
4. How would you be able to schedule your time to function effectively as a youth representative?


**Recommendations:**

Please include two letters of recommendations (with your application and essay) from adults who know you at school and your activities out of school.

**Interest Statement:**

I am interested in serving on a Communication Committee for the City of Rochester Hills. I understand that this will require me to attend one meeting per month during my term.

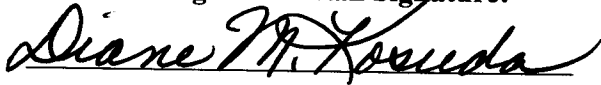
Signed,

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Dated: 4/29/04

I have read the above interest statement and give my permission for my son/daughter to serve as a youth representative on a Communication Committee for the City of Rochester Hills.

**Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:**

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Dated: 4/30/04

Work phone (if applicable) 248 656-1357

Please return the completed application, essay and recommendations by May 1, 2003 to:

City of Rochester Hills Clerk's Office  
Susan Koliba-Galeczka, City Council Liaison  
1000 Rochester Hills Drive.  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Fax: (248) 656-4744  
Email: Galeczks@rochesterhills.org

The returned information will remain in the Clerk's Office and are not confidential. For additional information, please call Susan Koliba-Galeczka, City Council Liaison, (248) 841-2463.

Office Use Only:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Date sent to Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Kelley M. Kosuda  
336 Tanglewood  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309  
Home: 248 - 656-1357

When looking through the newspaper on a Saturday morning, I came across an article that was looking for people to join the Rochester Hills Youth Representative Committee. After reading the article, the thought of joining the committee struck my mind as a great way to get involved!

The reason I would like to join the committee is because I have grown up in Rochester Hills and it has been a fun and safe place to be. Now I would like to give back to the city. I am interested in making the city a better place to live, and I have great ideas to share. I would like to voice my opinions and have those opinions shared with the public. The committee seems like a fun way to be part of a great team.

I also have great qualities to share with a committee. As an eighth grade student at West Middle School, I have been able to demonstrate the qualities of determination, dedication, enthusiasm, motivation, and organization. I am president of the Student Council, which gives me the opportunity to practice my leadership skills and public speaking. I am peer mediator, which gives me the opportunity to look for solutions in problems. I

am a member of the yearbook committee and the schools volley team with gives me the experiences of working with people to accomplish a goal.

I have many interests and hobbies. I am a member of the student church choir and the school eighth grade choir. I also am the student cantor at our church. I participate in the Little League girls' fast-pitch softball team as well as play competitive tennis throughout the year. I also am a Girl Scout, which gives me the opportunity to help in the community.

With the help of my family, being part of the youth committee activities will not be a problem. I keep myself organized to be always efficient and will adjust my schedule to be all events.

It will be a great honor to be part of a government committee. It will help me to appreciate the workings of our city council and how they make decisions that affect all of the community. I would like to be part of this valuable experience.

Kelley M. Kosuda

Karen Taylor  
Stoney Creek High School  
Math Teacher  
Home Telephone: 586 – 781 – 9373

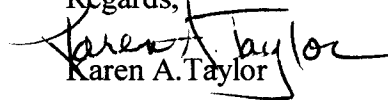
To whom it may concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Kelley Kosuda for a position as a student representative to the city council. This is a young lady with ambition, motivation, and dedication.

This fourteen year old young lady is active in school, religious and social organizations. She is president of the Student Council at West Middle School. She sings in the church choir and is the student cantor at St. Ireneaus Church. She is a peer mediator and member of the school yearbook planning committee. Kelley was part of the school volleyball team, is a member of the Rochester-Avon girls' fast-pitch softball team, and plays competitive tennis as part of the USTA. Kelley is a Girl Scout providing service to other troops in the community. In addition, Kelley operates her own vacation flower watering business.

Kelley is bright, confident, and aggressive. Her ability to communicate feelings and opinions is admirable. Kelley's participation on a city council committee as a student representative will provide the council with an individual that understands how the young members of our community think and act. She is an excellent choice for representative.

Regards,

  
Karen A. Taylor

Susan Galeczka, City Council Liaison  
1000 Rochester Hills Drive  
Rochester Hills, Michigan 48039

Dear Susan,

I have been asked to write a letter of recommendation for **Kelley Kosuda** for the position of Youth Representative. It is my pleasure to do so.

I have been Kelley's school counselor for three years. In that time I have been able to observe her and work with her under different capacities. She has been an excellent student who takes her classes seriously and always works hard to achieve to her fullest potential.

This past year she has served as President of our school Student Council. Since I am the sponsor, I have worked with Kelley in this leadership role. She is a responsible and dependable young lady. Our Student Council has over 80 students involved, and Kelley is able to command respect from those students and, yet, appear friendly and good natured. She is a very dynamic person and this shows through in her leadership role.

Kelley has many friends from many walks of life. She has made friends with many different kinds of students. Her peers see her as friendly and accepting. She doesn't make rash decisions or judge her fellow students.

The teaching staff regards her highly. They see a very well rounded young lady who is a pleasure to have in class.

I hope you will enjoy Kelley as much as we have here at West. You will find she is capable of handling responsibility and you will never be disappointed in the outcome.

Sincerely,



Joyce Kaczander  
West Middle School  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor