



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2021-0271

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Sheila Brown, Deputy Clerk
DATE: July 2, 2021
SUBJECT: Appointment of 2021/2022 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council (RHGYC)

At the Regular Meeting of March 16, 2005, City Council adopted Resolution RES0080-2005 establishing the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council (RHGYC) to promote youth involvement in local government through active participation and the mutual exchange of ideas and experiences. The RHGYC composition includes fifteen (15) members appointed by City Council following the established application/appointed process, which consists of (2) representatives from each City Council District and seven (7) at-large representatives.

This year we are very pleased to mention that we received thirty-three (33) applications that met the minimum qualifications to be considered. Of the thirty-three (33) applications received nine (9) were from the current Youth Council members requesting to be reappointed to an additional term on the Council.

The established application/appointment process included the following:

- Submission of application packet by interested students which included the following:
 - Application
 - Essay Questions
 - Two Letters of recommendation
- Interviews by the Interview Team consisting of City Councilman Ryan Deel, Youth Council Representative Aden Smith and Deputy Clerk Sheila Brown.

Twenty-four (24) students participated in the interview process. The interview team evaluated the candidates on application quality, adult references, interview and representation.

The Interview Team was very pleased with the number of students interested in serving on the RHGYC; each applicant was bright and pleasant. The Interview Team took into account the composition of the RHGYC district representation, school representation and the number in each graduating year, and are recommending to Council that they appoint the following fifteen students to the Youth Council.

The terms of office will be for one (1) year coinciding with the school calendar year beginning on September 1, 2021 and expiring on August 31, 2022.

If all fifteen students are appointed, the representation would be as follows:

- CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS
 - District 1 – Five (5) Students
 - 3 returning students
 - 2 new students
 - District 2 – Two (2) Students
 - 1 returning student
 - 1 new student
 - District 3 – Three (3) Students
 - 2 returning students
 - 1 new student
 - District 4 – Five (5) Students
 - 3 returning students
 - 2 new students

- SCHOOLS
 - Adams – 3 representatives
 - Rochester – 6 representatives
 - Stoney Creek – 1 representative
 - International Academy – 4 representatives
 - Renaissance Homeschool Group – 1 representative

- SCHOOL GRADES 2021/2022
 - Ninth Grade – 3 students
 - Tenth Grade - 4 students
 - Eleventh Grade – 4 students
 - Twelfth Grade – 4 students

Please note, at the August 16th Council Meeting the 2020/2021 RHGYC members will be providing their final report to City Council and the 2021/2022 RHGYC members will be sworn in.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney Yes N/A