

City Council Agenda Summary Sheet (Non Purchases)

Agenda No: 2004-0544 – 2004-05 Youth Representatives Recommendations
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City Council, in its effort to involve youth in local government has established a Youth Representative Program where Rochester Hills high school students are appointed to serve as non-voting members on each of the five Council Communication Committees. The youth representatives must be a resident of the City of Rochester Hills and complete the application process, which includes the submission of the following documents:

- Application Form
- Essay
- Two (2) letters of recommendation

Each year, the School Districts that have Rochester Hills residents attending are notified of the opportunity for Rochester Hills youth to be involved with the City Council by serving as a representative on the Committee. In addition to notifying the School Districts, articles regarding the Youth Program have appeared in the *Oakland Press* and *Rochester Eccentric* and information has appeared on Channel 55, the City's cable channel.

In response the City has received fifteen (15) applications of which thirteen (13) applications were from high school students (9-12 grades) and two (2) middle school students. The two middle school students are ineligible to serve at this time because of their age and have been notified. Applications for the other thirteen (13) students have been included in your packet for review.

Article II, Section 2.c (iv) of each of the City Council Communications Committees' Bylaws states that the Community Development & Viability Committee shall review all applications and make recommendations to each respective committee. Each Committee shall be responsible for the selection of a maximum of three (3) youth members to serve on each respective committee.

So that the Communication Committees have adequate time to schedule their respective appointments on their agendas, the CDV Committee needs to review and make their recommendations at the June 24th meeting

Based on feedback we have received from the current youth representatives, it is suggested that if the Committee would like to appoint all thirteen (13) students, that the appointments be split as follows:

- Two (2) representatives to the Administrative and Information Services Committee (AIS)
- Three (3) representatives to the Community Development and Viability Committee (CDV)
- Two (2) representatives to the Financial Services Committee (FS)
- Three (3) representatives to the Leisure Activities Committee (LAC)
- Three (3) representatives to the Public Safety Committee (PS)

Please note that Andrew Roscoe is currently serving on the Public Safety Committee and is requesting to be reappointed for school year 2004-05. In addition to the applications, a spreadsheet sorting the applications by choices, schools and grade has been included to assist you.

As always, if you need additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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