

City of Rochester Hills
Youth Representative Application
For City Council Communication Committees

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: Jennifer Stein Birth date: 09/02/86 Age: 17
Street Address: 108 Foxboro
City: Rochester Hills State: Mi Zip Code: 48309
E-Mail Address (if applicable): JenniStein2003@yahoo.com Home Phone: (248) 765-2427
Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Name: Judith Stein
School Name: Rochester Adams High School Grade: 11th Graduation Date: 05
Principal's Name: Diann Flack School Phone: (248) 726-5200
School Address: 3200 West Tienken
City: Rochester Hills State: MI Zip Code: 48306

Committee Choices:

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

2 Administration and 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 Education 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 recommendation (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, Jennifer Stein Dated: 04/20/04

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

Judith Stein Dated 4/22/04
248-871-9333
Work Phone (if applicable) ()

Please return the completed application, essay and recommendations by April 30, 2004 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: galeczkas@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:

Jennifer Stein
Rochester Hills City Council
Youth Representative

I would like to be a member of a Communication Committee. I want to be a member because I believe that citizens should take part in Government. I also, believe that it is important to have people's views brought up, so I would not only be speaking for myself, but for the many other people I talk to. I find that being an active part in your community allows you to stand up and fight for what you believe in more readily and it will be a great starting block to learn how things run for future years, when I hope to run for political office. It is a learning experience that will help me to get an insight and feel for future endeavors in politics.

I possess many personal skills and characteristics that would make me a good representative. I am open-minded and would think about things that were presented to me before making a decision. I am an affluent speaker and have done Debate team and Student Congress in the past. I work hard for things I believe in and will make sure everything is done to the best of my ability. I am dedicated and won't give up halfway through. Politics is something I enjoy and have fun with. I am outgoing and willing to talk to people, and say my opinion. I am energetic and will approach people with information in an interesting way, so they can remember it better. I care about people and how they feel about issues and will work with them.

I have many interests. I enjoy participating in school sports, and other school activities. My school activities have included, Robotics, Ecology Club, SADD, the Kilt, Softball, Student Congress, and anything else leadership related. I also love to sing, dance, and hang out with my friends. I have a job at Eddie Bauer's and I enjoy working there as a sales person.

I would be able to schedule my time to function effectively as a youth representative because my schedule is pretty flexible. I would make sure not to schedule anything on the days of meetings and leave enough free time to talk and review issues by myself and with others. I would make sure to not schedule anything on the days of meetings and if there is something already scheduled for a meeting date. I would talk to the people in charge of each activity I am in far enough ahead of time so that I wouldn't get in trouble and would know what was going on in whatever I was missing. I would be sure to talk to my bosses and tell them exactly what it was that I was doing, so that they would realize I wasn't just slacking off work and my duties. Rochester City Council Youth Representative is not an opportunity that I would want to lose.

This is why I want and feel I am qualified to be a Rochester Hills Communication Committee Member.

April 27, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

Jennifer Stein has been a student in both my Practical Law and Government classes this past semester.

Besides getting "A's" in both classes, I have been most impressed by Jennifer's leadership ability and classroom participation. Jennifer loves to take a stand on the issues of the day and she is never hesitant to express her views. Jennifer is also a reflective listener. For these reasons and more, Jennifer Stein was the first student who came to mind to represent young people's views on city council. I believe this fits her and will add to her experience to prepare her for future leadership positions.

She deserves my highest recommendation for this position.

Sincerely,

Greg Clevenger

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Clevenger". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "G" at the beginning.

Social Studies Teacher
Adams High School

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ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL

April 21, 2004

Communication Committee
Rochester Hills City Council

RE: Application of Jennifer Stein as youth representative

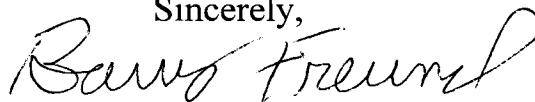
To Whom It May Concern:

Bright, energetic, independent and easy to communicate with are some attributes that come to my mind as I think about Jennifer Stein. Jennifer keeps a positive attitude about her life even as she has had to deal with some very difficult situations for a teenager. Jennifer's Father passed away suddenly when she was in ninth grade. He was only 49 years old.

This has, in my opinion, greatly affected her high school academics to the point where her grade point average does not adequately reflect her true ability. Her test scores on national tests do, however, continue to reflect that Jennifer is a very bright young lady. This school year, Jennifer has improved her grades and I believe that her upward trend will continue as she enters her senior year next fall. Jennifer always takes difficult classes but sometimes lacks the focus to do her best. I see her improving in this area. Those activities that she gets involved with, Robotics, Student Council, etc., she willingly puts in a great amount of energy and time and does a great job.

Should Jennifer be selected as the City Council Youth Representative, I believe that she would be outstanding. She is excellent at communicating with people and would be a good resource for the Council to gauge how pending legislation would be perceived by the youth of Rochester Hills. I have no reservations in giving her my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,



Barry Freund, M.A., L.P.C.
Counselor