



Department Source: City Manager

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 5, 2017

Re: Report on Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to the Youth Advisory Council Membership

## Executive Summary

On March 14, 2017 the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) discussed amending the requirements of the appointments of the non-voting, liaison members. Currently, City Council appoints two to three non-voting, liaison members, consisting of a combination of a City Council member, Youth Community Coalition (YC<sup>2</sup>) staff member, and/or a Columbia Public School staff member. YAC members would like to add additional non-voting, liaison members from local public and/or private high schools.

## Discussion

At the May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting, the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) unanimously approved a motion to recommend that the membership requirements of the non-voting, liaison members be amended. The recommended changes include allowing at least one appointment of a public and/or private high school representative as a non-voting, liaison member *per school* that is represented on the YAC. Additional non-voting, liaison members would consist of one City Council member and one YC<sup>2</sup> representative.

YAC members feel the additional school representation will allow for better communication among schools. The YAC is composed of high school students from any public and/or private high school. Since several schools are represented by students, actions taken by the YAC affect these schools and additional staff representation would help students implement initiatives within their schools more effectively.

The YAC is also recommending the removal of the requirement that the non-voting, liaison members be appointed by the City Council. Each of the non-voting, liaison organizations will appoint their representative(s) by submitting appointments in writing to the city staff liaison. With this potential increase in non-voting liaison members, staff feels the appointment process will be more efficient.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A



## Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

### Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Governance & Decision Making, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

## Legislative History

Date	Action
02/15/2016	The City Code of Ordinances, as it pertains to the membership of the Youth Advisory Council, was last amended on February 15, 2016.

## Suggested Council Action

Should the council agree with the YAC recommendations, council should direct staff to bring back a resolution.