



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 08/04/2020

ITEM NO: 3

DATE: July 24, 2020
TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager
SUBJECT: Ratify the Town Council Selection Committee's Recommended Youth Commissioner Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the Town Council Selection Committee's recommended Youth Commissioner appointments.

BACKGROUND:

Since June of 2004, Council has appointed students in Grades 8 through 12 as members of the Youth Commission.

The Town used a variety of mechanisms to recruit for the Youth Commission. The Town distributed a letter to the local schools requesting they help promote the Youth Commission opportunities. The letter was sent to Los Gatos High School, Leigh High School, Westmont High School, Fisher Middle School, Union Middle School, Rolling Hills Middle School, and Hillbrook School. In addition, the Town placed advertisements in local publications and posted the opportunity on the Town's What's New email blast, the Town's website, the Youth Commission Facebook page, the Town's Facebook page, on Nextdoor.com, and on KCAT.

Due to the COVID-19 Shelter in Place Public Health Order, at its April 21, 2020 meeting, the Town Council extended the expiring terms by one year for all but the five twelfth graders and extended the application deadline for the five vacancies to July 10, 2020.

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Town Clerk

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SUBJECT: Ratify Youth Commission Appointments

DATE: July 23, 2020

DISCUSSION:

By the application deadline on July 10, 2020, ten (10) applications were received. On July 21, 2020, the Town Council Selection Committee, comprised of Mayor Jensen, Vice Mayor Spector, Captain D'Antonio, and Youth Commission Chair Isabella Scott, interviewed eight (8) applicants for five (5) available positions. Two of the applicants did not attend the interview and therefore were not considered for appointment. All the applicants demonstrated initiative and community spirit in applying for leadership positions to serve the Los Gatos community and the Selection Committee's recommended appointments are listed in Attachment 1.

CONCLUSION:

The Town Council Selection Committee recommends that Council appoint members as shown in Attachment 1. The recommendations for appointment are based on composite assessments from the interviews and applications. Following the Youth Commission enabling resolution (Attachment 2), appointments for the five (5) newly appointed Commissioners are for one year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Town-wide Commission training budget is available to provide funds as needed.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.

Attachments:

1. Recommended Youth Commissioner Appointments
2. Youth Commission Enabling Resolution 2018-008