

RESOLUTION 2024-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISVILLE, IDAHO ADOPTING THE CREATION OF A MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, many issues arise in City government and the community as a whole that may be of interest to youth or may affect youth in the community; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial for the community and the youth in the community by working with local government on such issues; and

WHEREAS, the City government can direct benefit from the advice and efforts of youth in the community on the issues regarding the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lewisville, Idaho, that:


1. A Mayor's Youth Advisory Council is hereby created.
2. Its membership shall consist of at up to 20 members selected by the Mayor according to an application process. All students shall be selected from any middle school, junior high, or high school student who resides in Lewisville or within its area of impact. The Youth Advisory Council Members shall be from students in the 6th through 12th grades enrolled in private, public, home-schooled or online academies. Members are appointed by the Mayor, contingent upon receipt of written consent of a parent or guardian. The term of office for each member shall be one year, commencing September 1st. Members may be re-appointed. The Youth Advisory Council shall normally meet 18 times during the school year, approximately 2 times each month.
3. The Youth Advisory Council shall select its own President.
4. The Youth Advisory Council shall provide advice and share insights on how young people making the transition between education and work. Designing and implementing specific projects through a task force (think: MLK day community-wide service project or hunger awareness walk). Designing and planning initiatives and activities "by youth, for youth". Acting as peer mentors, conflict mediators, or educators for youth service organizations and projects. Cleaning up streams and/or highways, Senior center volunteering, Tutoring or mentoring youths, such as Big Brother/Sister programs, Organizing drives such as ones for food, clothes, school supplies or holiday gifts, Volunteering at a food bank or shelters, advocating for an organization's mission - environmental issues, animal rights, homelessness, hunger, etc.

5. The Youth Advisory Council will function under the supervision of the Mayor or his designated representative, and shall provide staff support as directed.


6. The Youth Advisory Council will be funded through a combination of grant writing and fundraising with the youth committee taking an active roll in developing a project proposals and strategizing fund-raising events such as, asking local businesses, holding a raffle, hosting events, and asking individuals to assist through charitable giving.

APPROVED by the Mayor and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lewisville, Idaho, this 12th day of June, 2024.

APPROVED:


Curtis S. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:


Donetta R. Fife, City Clerk