ARTICLE 2-25 - Brighton Youth Commission

Sec. 2-25-10. - Establishment.

There is hereby established the City of Brighton Youth Commission. This Article is adopted for the purpose of codifying the organization of the Brighton Youth Commission.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005)

Sec. 2-25-20. - Purpose.

The City of Brighton Youth Commission established under this Article shall study, investigate, plan, implement and advise the City Council on matters related to youth. In particular, the Commission is charged with developing and promulgating policies, programs and services that empower, support and inform youth; that create a family-friendly community; and that enable and encourage youth to be productive members of the community. The Commission shall serve as an advisory body to the City Council on all matters dealing with youth.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005)

Sec. 2-25-30. - Powers and duties.

- (a) The City of Brighton Youth Commission shall have all the powers granted herein and shall perform all the duties as provided herein.
- (b) The Commission shall adopt policies and procedures for the conduct of its meetings and for defining the duties of its members, officers and committees.
- (c) The Commission shall work with the Mayor and City Council to develop and implement City policies that focus on youth.
- (d) The Commission shall advise the Mayor and City Council on important issues that relate to youth.
- (e) The Commission shall facilitate the planning and organization of community events.
- (f) The Commission shall build partnerships with individuals, groups and organizations that impact both youth and families.
- (g) The Commission shall partner with individuals, groups and organizations in the planning and implementation of services, supports and opportunities for the City's youth and families, including the City's Office of Youth Services.

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(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §1, 2006)

Sec. 2-25-40. - Membership.

The Brighton Youth Commission shall consist of voting members, the maximum number as determined in Youth Commission policies, and one (1) ex officio nonvoting City staff representative and the following:

- (1) One (1) City Council member appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council as a liaison, and one alternate non-voting City Council member
- (2) One (1) Brighton School District 27J School Board member or employee appointed by the School Board or Superintendent.

(3) Four (4) at-large citizen representatives, two (2) between the ages of nineteen (19) and thirty (30), and two (2) older than nineteen (19) years of age

Criteria to be considered for appointment

- a. Persons between the ages of thirteen (13) and nineteen (19).
- b. Persons who reside within the City or within 27J School District boundaries, including those who may be home schooled, may have completed secondary education, or are no longer attending school.
- c. Persons who may have significant ties with the City, such as but not limited to, attending secondary schools within the City, working at a business located within the City, or other evidence of substantial and significant ties to the City.

The youth and at-large members of the Commission shall be selected by the Youth Commission and recommended for appointment by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council.

No applicant, appointee or member of the Commission who has been convicted of a crime against a minor child or violent felony shall be qualified to be appointed or continue to serve on the Commission. By submitting an application for appointment or accepting appointment to the Commission, an applicant consents to a background check for such purposes, to the extent provided by law.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §2, 2006; Ord. 2070 §1, 2010; Ord. 2099 §1, 2011)

Sec. 2-25-50. - Terms of office.

The terms of office of the Commission members shall be as follows:

- (1) The terms for all youth and at-large Commissioners shall be two (2) years.
- (2) Commissioners may be eligible for reappointment.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §3, 2006)

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005)

Sec. 2-25-70. - Organization and Policies.

- (a) Annually, the Brighton Youth Commission shall elect an Executive Committee who shall serve a one-year term. All may be eligible for reelection for up to one (1) additional year term.
- (b) The Commission shall adopt policies and procedures for its own governance and organization as it deems necessary or advisable, and shall keep a record of its proceedings, which record shall be a public record.
- (c) The Commission shall meet at least monthly on a date and at a time set forth in its policies and procedures. All meetings shall be conducted consistent with said policies and procedures, the City Charter and this Code. A quorum shall consist of a majority of appointed positions.
- (d) Absences and vacancies shall be addressed in policy or procedures, including removal due to absences. Any removal pursuant to the policies and procedures shall be reported to the City Clerk.

(e) Ten (10) of the Youth Commission members may be appointed to other City boards and commissions.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §4, 2006)

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §5, 2006)

Sec. 2-25-90. - Removal.

Members of the Commission, other than those representing the City Council and School Boards, may be removed by the Mayor for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance while in office, and the applicable governing body may remove the member representing it for the same reasons. The Mayor or governing body, as the case may be, shall file a written statement of the reasons for such removal.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005)

Sec. 2-25-100. - Compensation and reimbursement of expenditures.

Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation; provided, however, that each member may be reimbursed for an actual authorized expenditure reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with his or her duties as a member of the Commission.

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005)

(Ord. 1837 §1, 2005; Ord. 1881 §6, 2006)