

ORDINANCE NO. 2385
INTRODUCED BY: Johnston

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO,
AMENDING ARTICLE 2-25 OF THE BRIGHTON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE
BRIGHTON YOUTH COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Brighton Youth Commission has worked diligently with staff and the City Council liaison to provide updates to the code that simplify and clarify the Code, including but not limited to, reflecting actual practice and deleting subsections that are no longer applicable; and

WHEREAS, many youth desire to be a part of the Brighton Youth Commission and enlarging the membership will allow for greater participation and opportunities for growth for the youth in Brighton; and

WHEREAS, City Council supports modifying the Brighton Municipal Code to provide consistency, simplify, and clarify the duties and membership of the Brighton Youth Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section 2-25-30 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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.

Section 2: Section 2-25-40 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Brighton Youth Commission shall consist of voting members, the maximum number as determined in Youth Commission policies, 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.

Section 3: Section 2-25-50 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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.

Section 4: Sections 2-25-60, 2-25-80, 2-25-110 are hereby repealed and reserved for future use.

Section 5: Section 2-25-70 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 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 will be appointed to other City boards and commissions.

Section 6. As provided in City Charter Section 5.9(A), this Ordinance, either as presented or as amended, shall be published in full as it was adopted prior to taking final action. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five days after its final publication, as provided in City Charter Section 5.8.

INTRODUCED, PASSED ON FIRST READING, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED THIS 7th DAY OF June, 2022.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY THIS 28th DAY OF June, 2022.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

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