LMC-GreenSteps City Youth City of Rosemount

Jeff Weisensel Emmy Foster

September 6, 2017





YOUTH COMMISSION





City Council recognizes issues confronting the City:

- Youth have an interest on issues affecting our youth.
- Engagement develops citizenship skills of our youth
- Youth voices and efforts directly benefit our community





The best part of Youth Commission for me is how teens are able to gain a better understanding of the workings of community government, an opportunity that many kids don't get to take advantage of in their cities. Up until my joining of the commission, I was pretty naive to how the process of realizing ideas and creating action worked. Being a part of Youth Commission has given me a better understanding of these workings and the ability to present

my own ideas. I've loved seeing the group take action by participating in community events.

- Maisy





Membership on the Youth Commission

- -Open to residents between 14 and 18 years of age.
- -One year terms and able to be reappointed.
- -City Council appoints after application/interview process.





I like learning about the developments in our community and having a voice in the discussion.

I like the feeling that we're doing something to help change our community for the better.

- Colette



- Jack





- Timeline
 - 2009-Council establishes Youth Commission (YC)
 - 2010-YC establishes mission and bylaws
 - To represent and articulate the needs of youth
 - To cultivate future leaders in an engagement process throughout the year on a variety of issues
 - To provide a leadership opportunity
 - To participate in government





Timeline

- Since 2010 the Youth Commission
 - Partners with Rosemount Area Arts Council (RAAC)
 - Annual Holiday Tree Lighting
 - Swing Dance event
 - Partners with Park and Rec department-Splash Pad celebration
 - Participates with City officials Night to Unite, Leprechaun Days
 - Learns of City department operations
 - Advises City Council on issues of interest to the youth community
 - Conducted a Youth Summit and Goal Setting Sessions
 - Establish a Legacy Tree Grove Program





What I like most about being on Youth Commission is being able to have say and make decisions about things that happen in the Rosemount community.

- Tanya

I like best that it connects the city of Rosemount into the hearts of us Youth Commissioners.

- Jake







Current Goals

GROW

Increase Support for Youth-Related Facilities and Amenities

- Support new and existing business work opportunities to gain experience
- Promote Youth volunteerism to build skills

Increase Sport/Recreational Opportunities and Facilities

- Support a Dakota Field House facility
- Support Skate park upgrade

LIVE

Increase Youth Commission Community Presence and Partnering

- Maintain current and new RAAC Partnership Events
- Identify new partnership opportunities; increase recreational, sporting and cultural events
- Increase connection to Rosemount Neighborhood Family Resource Center
 - o Splash Pad opening/food collection event

Increase Youth gathering locations and activities

- Support Central Park improvements
 - Establish a Fall Bonfire Event
- Establish a Tree Planting Event (possible Youth Grove)

MANAGE

Increase Youth Events and Activities

- Identify and partner with Rosemount High School student organizations
- Promote recruitment of younger citizens to the Youth Commission





What I like best about the Youth Commission is how we are involved in this community! I have lived in Rosemount from the moment I was born, and I have seen the city grow and change. To be a part of that change and make Rosemount better means the world to me! I also love to volunteer my time, and the Youth

Commission organizes fun activities to do that bonds us together (example, tree planting).

- Jacqueline



SPIRIT OF PRIDE AND PROGRESS



Current Goals

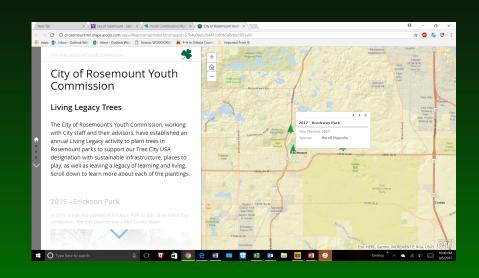
LIVE

Increase Youth gathering locations and activities

 Establish a Tree Planting Event (possible Youth Grove)

2016

The first trees -- a red oak, a skyline honey locust, and an accolade elm -- highlight diversity, strength, and beauty. The Youth Commission plans to expand its "legacy grove" throughout the community in the coming years, working with the Parks and Recreation Department.







I really like being able to hear about all the different events going on in the city, as well as the other members' experiences with

said events.

- Jacob

My favorite thing about Youth Commission is being able to participate in unique events such as Night to Unite and the Tree lighting ceremony.

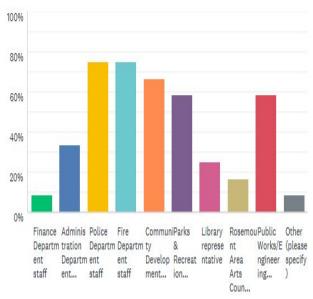
- Aashish



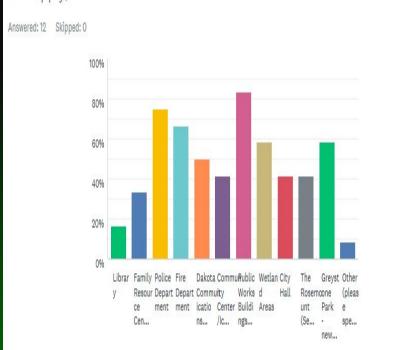


Please indicate speakers/guests that you are most interested in hearing from. (Check all that apply)







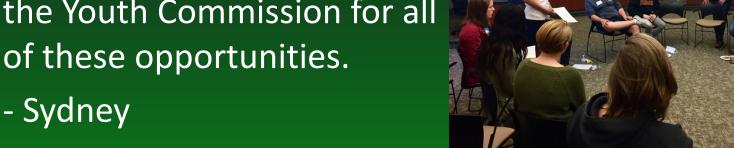






I really love being part of the Youth Commission because it allows high schoolers to take an active role in the Rosemount Community and provides an outlet for us to share our opinions about upcoming events/activities/projects, etc. Along with that, it is amazing to interact with some of the city council members, the mayor, as well as the community

members of Rosemount who attend our events. I thank the Youth Commission for all of these opportunities.







Questions





