

Reading Youth Commission
Agenda
August 5, 2026
6:00 PM
Hybrid Council Chambers / Zoom

The Youth Commission serves as an advisory body to the Mayor, City Council, and Managing Director on issues pertaining to youth in the City of Reading. The Youth Commission aims to strengthen youth voices within the community and their participation in local government.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://readingpa.zoom.us/j/4192926522?pwd=M0dBTXh6SnNvOHppU1paMm9zUW0xZz09&omn=85955116364>

Meeting ID: 419 292 6522

Passcode: 972205

CALL TO ORDER – Five members present constitutes a quorum

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be accepted in writing through an email to michelle.smith@readingpa.gov. Written public comment must be submitted by 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting. All comments received will be read into the record. Those wishing to make comment at the meeting must also register prior to 3:00 pm the day of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES – May 6, 2026, June 3, 2026

TREASURER’S REPORT – Shelly

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT - Jane

EVENT PLANNING

1. 6th Ward Block Party – Sat, Sept 12 at 1 pm Lauer’s Park Elementary School – Face Painting
2. Water Fun Day
3. IMAX Theater Movie

OLD BUSINESS

1. Creation of Newsletter
2. Meeting with Board of Health
3. Adopt-a-Block

NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Knights Club Journey Bags
2. Updated logo
3. Small Business Fair

NEXT MEETING DATE – Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 6 pm hybridly via Zoom and in Council Chambers

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Youth Commission Interests

- Mental health issues
- More recreational opportunities
- Youth Homelessness
- Pollution / climate change / environmental issues
- Reducing teen pregnancy rates
- Clean & safe streets
- Racial injustice
- Legislative & Political Process
- Self-expression
- Pride of place
- Alcohol & drug use
- Mentorship program
- School safety
- Gang violence
- Gun violence
- Burnout, anxiety, and depression issues
- Lack of resources
- Phone addiction
- Peer pressure

Speaker Requests

- Police Chief - police policy review
- MDJ – landlord / tenant issues
- MDJ – property maintenance issues