Reading Youth Commission

Agenda
December 2, 2026
6:00 PM
Hybrid Zoom / 3rd floor conference room

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
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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, August 5, 2026, September 2, 2026, November 4, 2026

TREASURER'S REPORT – Shelly

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

EVENT PLANNING & REPORT

1. Reading Holiday Parade – Sat, Nov 21 at 10 am Penn St
2. IMAX Theater Movie
3. Small Business Fair

OLD BUSINESS

1. Creation of Newsletter
2. Adopt-a-Block
3. Membership Update

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2027 Meeting Schedule

NEXT MEETING DATE – TBD

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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