



Reading Youth Commission

Agenda

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

6:00 PM

3rd floor conference room

The Youth Commission will serve as an advisory body to the Mayor, City Council, and Managing Director on issues of interest to youth and 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.

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 SUMMARY – February 1, 2023

PARTNERSHIP DISCUSSION - YMCA

OLD BUSINESS

- Let's Keep Talking videos
- Possible partner organization – Olivet Boys and Girls Club
- Event Planning
 - Movie Night with panel discussion – February at R/C Reading Movies – Black History Month (Genesis, Saoni)
 - RHS School Play tabling event – March 17 and 18
 - Teen Egg Hunt – April – City Park / Teen Café (Brandom)
 - Mental Health Awareness Month – May – Zumba and Paint & Sip (Saoni)
 - Youth 3 on 3 basketball tournament – June City Park (Rogelio)
- Youth Commission Ordinance amendment
- Review 2023 Budget usage

NEW BUSINESS

- Tee shirt order
- Giveaway order
- April, May, June meeting schedule

NEXT MEETING DATE - To be determined

ADJOURN

Youth Commission Interests

- Mental health issues
- More recreational opportunities
- Keep youth from relocating outside Reading as adults
- Homelessness
- Pollution / climate change / environmental issues
- Reducing teen pregnancy rates – Let's Keep Talking Tuesday social media videos
- Increase good-paying jobs
- Clean & safe streets
- Racial injustice
- Legislative process
- Self-expression
- Navigating the political system
- Pride of place
- Process / requirements to open a business

Speaker Requests

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