



Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 5/8/2018

SUBJECT

Youth Commission 2017-18 Work Plan & Goals Update

BACKGROUND

At the November 14, 2017 Youth Commission meeting, the Commission developed the 2017-18 Work Plan. The plan was created through discussion of current trends relating to the youth and teen population. The following goals were selected based on priority and community needs:

- Foster Inclusiveness in the Community
 - Host an Inclusive Makerspace to provide an opportunity for young people with special needs to experience hands-on, STEM-related activities
 - Participate in City-wide special events to support the Community Service Scholarship which recognizes City of Santa Clara high school juniors and seniors, with a minimum of 40 hours of community service, for their contributions in the community.
- Increase Intergenerational Awareness and Opportunities
 - Host “Sunset Cinema” events throughout the term. This free, outdoor movie series provides an opportunity for families to enjoy a leisure activity in a variety of City parks and libraries.
 - Host “Run Santa Clara: A Family 5K” to encourage the community to participate in an organized, fitness-based activity in Central Park, promoting a healthy lifestyle.
 - Host an intergenerational discussion panel to educate and inform participants on their respective views on topics such as, technology, age, and Santa Clara past and present.
- Increase Youth Understanding and Participation in Local Government
 - Top Ten List to provide City Council with current teen trends in food, entertainment, and social activities.
 - Review Park Projects to provide design and use feedback on park projects via presentations, surveys, and community meetings.
 - Schedule an informational meeting with City Clerk so that Youth Commissioners may learn about the process of local elections and the political structure in the City of Santa Clara.

DISCUSSION

The Youth Commission will provide monthly updates on the status of the Work Plan Goals for the year:

- A. Foster Inclusiveness in the Community
 - Committee members will provide a verbal update on the Inclusive Makerspace event planning and logistics.
- B. Increase Intergenerational Awareness and Opportunities
 - Staff liaison will seek volunteers to assist with the May 18, 2018 Sunset Cinema event at Maywood Park for the showing of “Paddington 2”.
 - Commissioners will review planning and marketing strategies for “Run Santa Clara: A Family 5K” which was cancelled due to low registration.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a “project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

PUBLIC CONTACT

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