



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – July 21, 2021 Agenda Item 11

Work Session

Appointments to the 2021-2022 Youth Council

Recommended Council Action

Confirm process for selection of Youth Council appointees to prepare for appointing members by resolution on July 28.

Context with Key Issues

The Takoma Park Youth Council was established by the City Council: 1) to provide an opportunity for the youth of Takoma Park to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for local government through active participation in the system; 2) to help the City Council to address problems and accomplish the goals of this community by working directly with the representatives of youth; and, 3) to serve the youth of Takoma Park.

The 11 members of the Youth Council must be residents of Takoma Park in grades 7-12. They are appointed to one-year terms and are eligible to apply for reappointment. Terms begin August 1 and end on July 31. Members of the Youth Council must remain residents of the City; attend meetings on a regular basis and inform the Youth Council of absences prior to meetings; maintain at least a 2.5 grade point average for the current school year; fulfill the responsibilities of the office held; and, set an example for youth in the community.

Applications received will be shared with the City Council for consideration. Councilmembers will nominate applicants from their wards for appointment. A resolution appointing members will be on the City Council's agenda for July 28.

Council Priority

Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Government

Environmental Considerations

N/A

Fiscal Considerations

N/A

Racial Equity Considerations

To encourage a diverse pool of residents to apply, the City Council actively recruits and seeks to appoint members from traditionally underrepresented Wards 4, 5, and 6.

Attachments and Links

- [Call for Youth Council Applications](#)
- [Youth Council Charter](#)
- [Application Form](#)