



City of Dallas

College Advisory Commission Overview and Recommendation

**Workforce, Education
and Equity
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Overview of Youth Commission



- The **Youth Commission** began serving the high school students of Dallas in 1994 with a restart in 2016, allowing them to serve their community while gaining the tools necessary to become effective and dedicated leaders in the future
- Members are appointed by individual Council members to represent their respective districts for two years





College Advisory Commission



Proposed Mission Statement



- The **College Advisory Commission** will serve the collegiate youth of Dallas County, allowing them to apply their collegiate experience to real-world challenges with aspirations of political or policy related careers



Purpose



- Represent the interests of students attending colleges and universities in Dallas County
- Serve as an advisory board to the Dallas City Council and City Manager's Office regarding issues impacting collegiate residents



Dallas County Higher Education Stakeholders



wadecollege
merchandising+design



Proposed Governance



- Each college and university in Dallas County will select one member for the College Advisory Commission
- Appointments are made in October of each year for a one-year term beginning on October 2
- The Advisory will choose its own chair and vice-chair at the start of a new term
- Must be a full-time student
- Must be at least 18 years old and no older than 24 at time of appointment
- Must be a resident of Dallas County for at least six months prior to the date of appointment
- Must not be in arrears on any obligations owed to City



Proposed Governance Continued



- The CAC will be composed of 17 members, including a chair and vice-chair
- At least 13 of 17 members must be present to maintain quorum
- The commission must meet at least once a quarter
- Additional monthly meetings may be held at the request of the chair

Duties and Responsibilities



The Commission shall:

- Advise the City Council and City Manager's Office on topics that impact college students in Dallas, such as, transportation, housing, affordability, immigration and public safety
- Review and propose programs, policies and practices that could enhance the quality of life of college students in Dallas County
- Provide opportunities for college students to contribute to the City's culture, economy and character



Staff Recommendation



- City Council support for the creation of the College Advisory Commission to provide collegiate youth an opportunity to engage with the City of Dallas and to provide insight and leadership among college students in Dallas County
- Begin inaugural class effective October 2, 2023



Next Steps



- Receive WEE Committee feedback and comments
- City Council action on June 28, 2023
- Develop implementation plan to include informational sessions and formal application process for October 2, 2023 kickoff





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