

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2005

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS REPLACING RESOLUTIONS NOS. 10-1991 AND 31-1992 CONCERNING THE CITY OF ABILENE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL OF ABILENE, TEXAS.**

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene has provided an opportunity for youth to share in local government matters and to learn to become responsible citizens through their participation on the Abilene Youth Advisory Council; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to allow youth representation from the school districts located within the corporate boundaries of Abilene, including home school students; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10-1991 first created the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) and was subsequently amended by Resolution No. 31-1992; and; and

WHEREAS, the Council is desirous of expanding the YAC to include more representation and to garner more interest in local issues facing our community; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of amending the original resolutions, a new resolution will merge and replace the previous documents with amendments;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1. CREATION, COMPOSITION, AND METHOD OF APPOINTMENT**

There is hereby created the City of Abilene Youth Advisory Council to be composed of one member from each middle school and two members from each high school appointed by the City Council as follows:

- A. One representative from each of the middle schools in the Abilene Independent School District (including Woodson Center for Excellence), Wylie Independent School District, Abilene Christian Middle School and Eula Independent School District.
- B. Two representatives from each high school in the Abilene Independent School District (including one representative from Woodson Center for Excellence), Wylie Independent School District, Abilene Christian High School and Eula Independent School District.
- C. One representative from the Home School Community.

Members shall be representative of the racial and gender population of the youth Community.

**SECTION 2. QUALIFICATIONS**

Council members will not be younger than thirteen (13) nor older than 19 years of age. Council members must be in good standing with their respective school and have an 80.0 grade point average. Recommendations for Council appointments will be received from each school, youth organizations, Teen Court Coordinator, and Abilene Independent School District At-Risk Coordinator.

**SECTION 3. TERMS OF OFFICE**

A representative to the Council shall serve for a term of one year. Each member may be reappointed to serve a second term not to exceed total of two years.

**SECTION 4. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL**

The Council shall elect a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer from among its members at the first meeting to serve a term of one (1) year. The Council shall adopt Bylaws pertaining to the performance of its duties and the time and frequency of its meetings. Such Bylaws shall be approved by the City Council. The Council shall have the following standing committees:

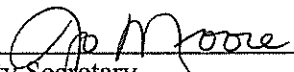
- A. Bylaws
- B. Recreation/Entertainment
- C. Legislative Issues
- D. Public Relations
- E. Environmental
- F. Employment Projects
- G. Training Projects
- H. Service Projects

**SECTION 5. PURPOSE AND DUTIES**

- A. To serve as an advisory committee to the City Council on youth affairs.
- B. To organize and supervise programs of all types that will benefit the youth and community of Abilene.
- C. To be a voice for youth in the Abilene community.

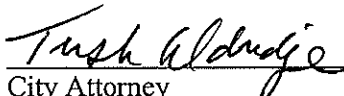
Adopted and Effective this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 2005, replacing Resolutions # 10-1991 and 31-1992

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary

  
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Mayor

APPROVED:

  
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City Attorney