



CITY OF COACHELLA

COMMISSION APPLICATION

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COMMISSION:

- Planning
- Cultural and Arts
- Parks and Recreation
- Utilities User Tax Citizen Oversight (UUT)
- Youth Advisory (To be eligible for appointment to the Commission you must be enrolled in high school. Please state your age and high school you currently attend in the "other comments" in section 5.)
- Social Justice & Public Safety

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PLEASE FURNISH BRIEF RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

1. Why do you think you should be appointed? What is there specifically in your background, training, education and interests that qualifies you as a candidate?
I should be appointed because as a young person who would like to make future impacts on my community I want to learn the necessary leadership, communication, and collaboration skills that will help me do so.
2. What do you see as the goals and objectives of the Commission? How would you help achieve these objectives and goals?
The goals and objectives of the Commission that I envision are to amplify youth voices, promote involvement of youth within our community, and advocate for more opportunities of internships for young people. To help achieve these objectives and goals I will show initiative through engagement with my peers and full commitment by attending all meetings for the Commission.

3. What special qualities can you bring to the Commission?

The special qualities that I can bring to the Commission is my passion for deeper involvement within my community, my resilience that helps me persevere through difficult assignments, and my adaptability to new responsibilities.

4. Do you have any questions or comments about the Commission's structure or functions?

5. Other comments and/or ideas as to how you as a member of the selected Commission could benefit the City of Coachella.

As a 17 year old and current senior at Coachella Valley High School, I would love to be part of the Coachella Youth Advisory Council. If selected, I will be the voice of many young adults not only from my school, but my community as well. I will highly be involved and attending all the youth advisory meetings.

Signature *Aaralyn Arriaga*

Date *09.12.24*

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Youth Advisory Commission Note: The term of a Commissioner is one year from August to June; mirroring the local school district's school year. *Delia Granados*

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will be my number 1 priority. My 4.0 GPA and top 5% of my class as well as my 2024 Coachella Promise Student Internship experience will be my contributions to our beloved city of Coachella.



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As a high school student and Coachella resident, I believe I should be appointed to the Coachella Youth Advisory Council because I am eager to take part in important and valuable conversations that will lead the city to a healthier place. My background includes being school president for Bobby Duke in my 8th grade year (23-24), as well as being the current school secretary for NOVA Academy Early College High School student leadership group. I have invaluable experience in planning events for school such as Prom, Back to School Night, Senior College Fairs, and much more. Additionally, I am also a founding member of the RivCo Friday Night Live chapter on campus. I thrive working in a team environment that encourages collaboration and innovation and look forward to making a positive change in our community.

2. What do you see as the goals and objectives of the Commission? How would you help achieve these objectives and goals?

The goal of the commission is the improvement of recreational areas and programs, because they are essential to the development of Coachella's younger population. As a younger Coachella citizen, I believe in striving for better programs that encourage personal growth and that teach important values throughout the City of Coachella and its schools. To help achieve these aims and goals, I would personally keep open communication with the advisors of this Youth Commission and ensure that I am knowledgeable about my role as a Youth Commission member. I will make sure to make my voice be heard, and I will bring great developmental ideas to the table which I am confident will better the state of Coachella's youth.

3. What special qualities can you bring to the Commission?

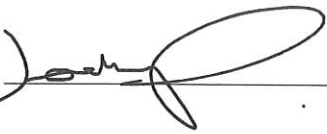
I will be a responsible Commission member and will take any responsibility given to me seriously, and I will also prioritize the Coachella Youth Commission. I am an active communicator; I can actively listen, communicate, and make sure we are all heard. Additionally, I will, of course, be respectful to all communities and citizens no matter what, and I will show empathy and sympathy whenever needed. I am a talented team player and know how to work together as one with a group of other people no matter the age. In addition, I have integrity and strive to always do the right thing and be honest. Finally, I will be an attentive member who will be active and present, and as a Coachella citizen, will be an active citizen who works to create change.

4. Do you have any questions or comments about the Commission's structure or functions?

Yes, I have many questions about the Commission's structure and its functions. What is the purpose of the youth commission? What are its goals? What is the youth commission's role in the city? What does it advise the city council on? What activities will the youth commission undertake or engage in? How does the youth commission encourage youth involvement in municipal government? What community programs does the youth commission recommend? How is the youth commission made up? Who serves on it? What opportunities for professional development are available to youth commission members? What scholarships and internship opportunities open or become available for Youth Commission members?

5. Other comments and/or ideas as to how you as a member of the selected Commission could benefit the City of Coachella.

My passion for youth empowerment and community engagement is the driving force behind my dedication to making a positive change for Coachella. I plan to commit to the Commission by involving young citizens in community projects and initiatives, providing them with tools and the resources they need for them to thrive. By fostering a sense of community and belonging among the youth, I aim to create a city where every single individual can contribute and succeed. To add, I have done volunteering work at the Coachella Library and at NOVA Academy ECHS. As for specific ideas, I believe implementing a mentorship program that pairs professionals with high school students would offer valuable guidance and would fulfill the needs of young citizens. Additionally, I am willing to collaborate with local leaders, organizations, and fellow commission members.

Signature:  _____

Date: 10/9/24 _____

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