



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

To be eligible for appointment to any Commission you must be a resident of the City of Coachella. Members may only serve on one commission/committee.

Note: In the event a member of the commission has three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from meetings of the Commission, the City Council may declare the office of such member vacant.

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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?

Being appointed would not only allow me to be a voice for my peers but also a voice for the youth in my community. Coming from a Mexican American household where education levels were limited, and where lack of involvement in the community also played a role, I plan to break that cycle with my 3.9 GPA and by actively engaging with my community. This opportunity would be a big step toward achieving that goal. I have always taken my education and involvement in my community seriously, having worked at local election polling sites, participating in school sport teams, enrolled in advanced classes, and joining an academy focused on college preparation and Chicano/a history.

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

The goals of the Youth Commission are to represent young people, improve community involvement, and create more opportunities for growth. I would help achieve these goals by listening to my peers, sharing their ideas with city leaders, and working on plans that make a positive impact on Coachella's youth.

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

With my dedication to academics, involvement within the city, and sports, I aim to bring ideas, teamwork, and a strong commitment to helping Coachella's youth reach their full potential.

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

What kind of training or orientation do new members receive?

What should I expect if I were appointed as a new member wanting to make a strong impact?

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 member of the Coachella Youth Commission, I would bring dedication, kindness, and a strong work ethic to serve my community. I value respect, teamwork, and understanding, and I strive to create a welcoming environment for others. With these qualities I would work to strengthen communication between young people and city leaders and help create a more inclusive and positive community for all youth in Coachella.

Signature



Date

11/07/2025

Note: Members of commissions shall be appointed for four-year terms or less. The term of each commission member shall continue for the term of the nominating council member and automatically terminate when the council member's term ends. If a council member is reelected, that council member is entitled to make all new nominations or may choose to re-nominate the council member's previous nominee.

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

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

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City of Coachella
53-462 Enterprise Way
Coachella, CA 92236

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