



TOWN OF LOS GATOS
TOWN SELECTION COMMITTEE AGENDA

MEETING DATE: 5/15/2024

ITEM NO: 1

DATE: May 9, 2024
TO: Town Selection Committee Members
FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager
SUBJECT: Interview Applicants for the Youth Commission and Make Recommendations
for the Town Council Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

Interview applicants for the Youth Commission and make recommendations for the Town Council appointments.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the Youth Commission is to foster and encourage civic and neighborhood pride and create a sense of identity through knowledge, understanding, and increased involvement in the Town's present and future municipal affairs. The Youth Commission shall generally be responsible for studying various interests and issues of concern to the youth in Los Gatos and advise the Town Council on such matters.

Applicants to the Youth Commission can be any student entering grades 8 through 12 in the fall, and either a resident of the incorporated limits of the Town of Los Gatos or have residency in an unincorporated area of the County of Santa Clara which has a Los Gatos mailing address. Applicants must complete the appropriate application and submit it during the recruitment period by the established deadline. Current Commissioners may seek to be reappointed upon the expiration of their current term, and reappointment to a new term is not automatic. Those Commissioners seeking reappointment must submit an application.

Current Commissioners were notified of their term expiration and notices of the upcoming vacancies were posted on social media, published in the Town newsletter, and posted on the Town's website.

PREPARED BY: Wendy Wood
Town Clerk

Reviewed by: Town Manager and Town Attorney

DISCUSSION:

The Town of Los Gatos conducted a recruitment for 14 Youth Commission seats and received 27 applications by the deadline of 4:00 p.m. May 1, 2024 (applications are on file in the Clerk's Office). On May 15, 2024, the Town Selection Committee will interview the applicants. The number of vacancies and applications received for the Youth Commission are as follows:

YOUTH COMMISSION

Fourteen total seats available due to expiring terms.

Applicants (27):

Rithik Gupta
Elaine Zou
Abhinav Namboori
Atul Garlapati
Katie Miller
Olivia Bernholz
Ivan Habib
Diana Zhang
Yilin Fang
Aarush Guglani
Aarav Chugh
Anjali Kalia
Grace Murray
Elijah Asheghian
Aahan Guglani
Rushil Sharma
Saketh Chinnakotla
Kinnera Potluri
Nova Jayaraj
Cameron Nakhjiri
Swathi Kakarla
Connor Krawez
Dylan Wadhwa
Arthur Wang
Jay Mallugari
Pau Chandran-Moles
Sophia Krish

Expiring Terms (14):

Esha Bagora
Maia Bernholz
Saketh Chinnakotla
Taj Chunawala
Colette (Coco) Dougher
Yilin Fang
Mikaela Hammer-Longosz
Anjali Kalia
Sophia Krish
Jay Mallugari
Rushil Sharma
Olivia Vinckier
Arthur Wang
Lincoln Withrow

CONCLUSION:

Following the interviews, the Committee will make its recommendations for appointments and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare a report with the recommendations for Council consideration at the June 4, 2024, Town Council regular meeting.

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SUBJECT: Youth Commissions Interviews

DATE: May 9, 2024

COORDINATION:

The preparation of this report was coordinated with the Town Manager.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the appointments.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.