

CITY OF NOVI
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION REGARDING DISSOLUTION OF NOVI YOUTH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in the City Hall of said City on _____, 2025, at ____ o'clock P.M. Prevailing Eastern Time.

PRESENT: Councilmembers _____

ABSENT: Councilmembers _____

The following preamble and Resolution were offered by Councilmember _____ and supported by Councilmember _____.

RECITALS

Whereas, the City of Novi City Council previously established the City of Novi Youth Council to make recommendations to City Council on issues relative to the youth of Novi, serve as youth ambassadors, and encourage education of youth regarding City government and citizen participation; and

Whereas, the Youth Council has consisted of 13 members at the high school level who are Novi residents, appointed for two-year terms based on an application, essay, interview, and appointment by City Council; and

Whereas, the Youth Council has operated with designated leadership positions, attendance requirements, an annual budget, and staff support from the City of Novi as directed by the City Manager; and

Whereas, over time, attendance and sustained commitment from members has declined, with many students finding other valuable avenues for civic and leadership involvement through school-based programs and extracurricular activities; and

Whereas, for many participants, Youth Council service has been one of several valuable activities contributing to their personal and academic growth, rather than their primary avenue for ongoing municipal engagement; and

Whereas, after careful consideration, the City Council has determined that the Youth Council, in its current form, is no longer the most effective means of engaging Novi's youth in local government; and

Whereas, the City Council remains committed to fostering youth involvement in civic affairs and will continue to explore new and innovative ways to encourage and support such engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Novi hereby dissolve the City of Novi Youth Council, effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs City staff to continue developing and recommending additional opportunities for youth engagement in the community — including, but not limited to, participation in events and volunteer initiatives — with the understanding that a new forum for teen involvement will also be established to further strengthen these efforts.

AYES:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2025, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting have been kept and made available to the public as required by said Act.

Cortney Hanson, City Clerk
City of Novi