

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, CREATING A MUNICIPAL YOUTH COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, many municipalities have youth councils to promote community service and foster a better understanding among young people of how municipal government works; and

WHEREAS, youth councils are an excellent means of promoting regular and active civic engagement among young people, which is vitally important to provide the knowledge, skills, and abilities to the next generation of local leaders; can inspire youth to be engaged citizens and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, as such, the City Council desires to create a Municipal Youth Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds this Resolution in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the City of Gulf Breeze.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. CREATION, COMPOSITION, AND QUALIFICATIONS OF YOUTH COUNCIL. The City Council hereby creates and establishes the City of Gulf Breeze Municipal Youth Council (“Youth Council”). The Youth Council will consist of up to ten (10) members engaged in study in grades 11 and 12. Youth Council members shall be representative of the population of Gulf Breeze. Applicants for appointment to the Youth Council shall submit an application form as provided by the City, accompanied by written permission from a parent or legal guardian authorizing the applicant to attend the prescribed meetings and participate in the activities of the Youth Council.

SECTION 3. TERM OF OFFICE. Youth Council terms of office shall run concurrent with the school year calendar, with appointments and reappointments to be made in August or as vacancies arise, with the exception of the inaugural class which will be appointed in March following the effective date of this resolution.

SECTION 4. MEETINGS; PROCEDURES. The Youth Council shall meet a minimum of one (1) time per month and the annual schedule of activities will be approved by the City Manager.

SECTION 5. PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES. The purpose of the Youth Council is to promote community service and foster a better understanding among young people of how municipal government works; promote regular and active civic engagement among young people; and to inspire youth to be engaged citizens and community leaders. This will be accomplished through the following activities:

- 1) Develop an understanding of municipal government operations
- 2) Participate in simulations and other municipal role-playing activities
- 3) Organize and perform service projects that benefit the City of Gulf Breeze.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA ON THIS 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.



CITY OF GULF BREEZE

BY: *Cherry Fitch*
Cherry Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST

BY: *Leslie A. Guyer*
Leslie A. Guyer, CMC, City Clerk