

Schedule X – Mayor’s Youth Council Committee (MYCC)

Purpose	<p>The MYCC is established to advise and collaborate with the Town on issues related to youth, community development, and the well-being of young residents within our municipality.</p> <p>The MYCC aims to provide a platform for youth to voice their concerns, contribute to policy discussions, and initiate projects that enhance the quality of life for young people in our community.</p>
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mayor• Two (2) Council Representatives• 21 Youth Members (between 14 to 21 years of age) <p>The Chair of the MYCC shall be a Council Representative or a Youth Member who is 18 years of age or older.</p>
Authority	<p>Advise the Mayor and municipal government on matters concerning youth, community development, and related topics.</p> <p>Identify and prioritize issues that affect young people within the community.</p> <p>Initiate, develop, and lead projects and initiatives that address these identified issues including supports for youth mental health and well-being. Annually the MYCC will pick and focus on a self-selected topic and project.</p> <p>Act as ambassadors for youth engagement and participation in civic matters.</p> <p>Collaborate with local organizations, schools, and government departments to implement youth-focused initiatives.</p> <p>Initiate Mayor for a Day Annual Program including facilitation of a Mayor for a Day video/essay contest. Applications must include ideas to implement to make Okotoks a better place to live. The chosen winner will work alongside the Mayor for a day and discuss their ideas with Council/Administration.</p> <p>Provide information and advice regarding Town initiatives affecting youth including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• coordination of community events that profile youth issues;• promotion of community engagement of youth in Okotoks community life and volunteerism; and• receiving direction from Council on work or reports it requires on youth matters.

	<u>Accountability</u> The Mayor or designate will oversee the Committee’s activities and can make adjustments to the Committee’s mandate or membership as necessary.
Term	Ongoing
Meeting Frequency	The MYCC meets a minimum of six (6) times per year.
Funding	As authorized by Town Council in the Legislative & Policy Services Budget during the annual budget cycle.

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