

Greetings Prospective South Weber Youth City Council (SWYCC) Parent!

Thank you for supporting your child in their interest in serving our city on the YCC! This flyer serves as informational only and does not need to be returned with your child's application.

The YCC meets the 1st Thursday of the Month at 7:00 PM at the City Hall.(location could vary)

The YCC consists of 10 Youth and 3 advisors. It is set up just like a regular City Council, with all the youth voting on issues, topics, fieldtrips, etc. There is a youth voted to the position of Mayor, and one to the position of Mayor Pro Tempore, by the entire YCC.

The Youth City Council host events throughout the year (Breakfast with Santa, Easter Egg Hunt, and more) as well as host a "Mock" City Council meeting, where the Youth discuss a topic, weigh in on the options, and cast a "vote" on behalf of the city. This is a meeting that the parents are allowed to come watch their child in action on the stand at City Hall. It is a lot of fun to watch! We also have a weekend retreat with leadership training and team building exercises. In the past, this has been hosted by Utah State University. However, we are working on hosting our own retreat with even more capable instructors. This is an overnight event. Boys and girls would have separate sleeping quarters, as well as the advisors. More information will be available as it approaches. This event is paid for by the City.

We have established a chat on the "Group Me" app. This has been our best tool for reaching the youth and we request that the parents download it as well. This will allow the advisors to give pertinent information to youth and parents regarding meetings, upcoming events, assignments, etc.

The youth love treats, so we rotate the treat responsibility monthly. Please share with us any food allergies that your child may have.

We have an amazing logo for our YCC and have ordered shirts for our youth to identify them while doing events. This is the only cost that is incurred by you, the parent. It is \$25 for a nice quality shirt with a large logo on it. We will give more information on how to order this when the time approaches.

The selected youth will be sworn in at the regular City Council meeting at City Hall on Sept 13th at 6:00PM. Please mark this on your calendar as it is a great experience to attend with your youth.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact one of the YCC advisors.

We look forward to working with your youth as we serve our community!

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SOUTH WEBER CITY YOUTH COUNCIL

CHARTER

Purposes:

1. To provide an opportunity for the youth of this community to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for the American political system through active participation in that system.
2. To help the South Weber City Mayor and City Council solve the problems and accomplish the goals of this community by working directly with the representatives of this youth city council.
3. To serve the youth of this community by:
 - a. Informing the city government of the needs and wishes of the youth.
 - b. Planning and implementing social, educational, cultural, athletic and recreational activities for the youth.
 - c. Working with the Mayor, City Council, Schools, Chamber of Commerce or any other organization that has a need for youth involvement.
 - d. Working with Police and other law enforcement officials, eliminating those forces in the community that would tend to foster delinquency and to aid in the acceptance and rehabilitation of those youth whose behavior has been socially and legally unacceptable in the past.

Youth City **Council**

The South Weber Youth City Council will consist of Co Mayors or Mayor and Mayor Pro-Temp and up to ten council members including a recorder and historian. Recorder and historian shall be voting members of the Youth City Council.

I. Responsibilities and Authority of the Youth City Council

1. To meet at least twice monthly or more as needed. To be determined annually.
2. To develop and adopt, by four-fifths (80%) vote a South Weber Youth City Council Charter.
3. To Modify this Charter by a Four-Fifths vote.
4. To Present to the South Weber City Council this Charter.
5. To pass a motions and resolutions as necessary by a majority vote. A majority vote is defined as one vote more than one-half of the members present.
6. To carry out the purposes of the South Weber Youth City Council as outlined in this document.
7. To plan recreation and other activities for the youth of the, coordinating all such activities with the South Weber City Council Representative.
8. To attend at least 2 South Weber City Council meetings each term of the Youth City Council.

II. Limitations of the Youth Council Authority

1. The Youth Council must have a majority of members represented in order to conduct official business.
2. All amendments to this charter are to be presented to the South Weber City Council.

3. The agenda of all Youth City Council meeting will be distributed to the members prior to the meeting.

All activities are to be coordinated with the South Weber City administration.

Responsibility and Authority of the Youth Mayor

1. To plan and conduct all Youth City Council meetings
2. To create an agenda for each meeting and ensure agenda is sent out prior to meeting.
3. To carry out the decision of the Youth City Council.
4. To propose to the Youth City Council, projects and plans designed to assist in the fulfillment of the purpose of the South Weber City Council.
5. Conducting Mayor to vote only in the event of a tie.
6. To assign each Youth City Council member areas of responsibility.
7. To give quarterly reports to the South Weber City Council.
8. Co-Mayor not conducting will act as member of the Youth City Council. Co-Mayor and/or Mayor Pro-Temp will be voted on by Youth City Council members.

IV. Responsibility and Authority of Youth City Council Members

1. To attend Youth City Council meetings and activities and to notify mayor or advisors in advance if unable to attend.
2. To carry out assignment of the Youth City Council.
3. To plan, with the help of a committee, such activities to support the Youth of South Weber City.
4. To propose to the Youth City Council, projects and plans designed to assist in the fulfillment of the purpose of the South Weber City Council.
5. To supervise the Youth City Council Committee.
6. Youth City Councils must adopt rules for current session.
7. Youth City Council must adopt a mission statement for current session.

V. Responsibilities and Authority of the Recorder

1. To attend all Youth City Council meetings. In the event of an absence, recorder must delegate role of recording of minutes to the secretary or another council member of their choice.
2. To attend all activities.
3. To carry out assignment of the Youth City Council.
4. To carry out secretarial duties as needed by the council.
5. To carry out recording of all meeting minutes, including recording motions, seconds and votes, and to submit said minutes to the mayor and council for approval before the next meeting.
6. The recorder shall also act as a voting member of the Youth City Council.

VI. Responsibilities and Authority of the secretary:

1. To attend all Youth City Council meetings.
2. To assist and help the recorder with any roles.
3. To ensure and carry out all communications to the mayor and council, including but not limited to, reminders of upcoming meetings, change of times/venues, communications from the mayor or advisors and any other needed duties as decided by the Council, the Mayor or the advisors.

VII. Responsibilities and authority of the historian:

1. To attend all Youth City Council meetings and activities.
2. To assist and help document the activities and events put on and completed by the Youth City Council. This documentation shall include photographs, video and interviews when and where applicable.
3. Documentation shall be collected at a place that can be handed down to future Youth City Councils. This can be in the format of a blog, social media, scrapbooks and other ideas as presented by the Youth City Council. Ideally this will be kept as part of city records.

VIII. Role of Youth City Council Advisors

The South Weber Youth City Council will have a minimum of two advisors. In order to ensure safety of both the youth and the advisors, 2 deep leadership must always be maintained. In the event 2 advisors are unable to attend, another adult must be present with the youth and advisors at all times. These advisors will attend the Youth City Council Meetings and activities and become involved in all council projects. The advisors will be approved by the South Weber City Council, preferably at the time of the swearing in of the Youth City Council or at the time of approving this charter.

IX. Vacancies

Any vacancy on the Youth City Council, either by removal or resignation, shall be filled by application and come before the Youth City Council for a two-minute interview and be approved by the Youth City Council.

IX. Swearing In

Swearing in of the newly appointed officers shall take place in the City Council Room of the South Weber City Office Building and shall be performed by the South Weber City Recorder. The swearing in shall take place the first available South Weber City Council meeting following the appointment.

X. Appointment of New Officers

Applicants picked to serve on the Youth City Council will be notified within forty-eight hours following the interview. The terms of office shall be from September to August of the following year. The deadline for applications to serve on the Youth City Council is the first Monday following South Weber Country Fair Days.

XI. Requirements to Serve on the South Weber Youth City Council

1. Must be a resident of South Weber for at least one year.
2. Must be between 14 and 18 years of age in order to apply.
3. Must be at least 16 years old, or turn 16 within the term of office, to serve as Youth mayor plus one year previous Youth City Council experience.
4. The mayor may only serve for one term during their time in Youth City Council unless extenuating circumstances arise.

XII. Requirements to remain on the South Weber Youth City Council

1. Remain a student at a local school and a resident of South Weber.

2. Attend at least 75% of its meetings and activities.
3. If unable to attend must notify an advisor or the Youth City Council Mayor.
4. Should maintain at least a current 2.0 GPA.
5. Fulfill the responsibilities held.
6. Set proper example for the youth of the community.

A member of the South Weber Youth City Council may be removed from office upon violation of any of the above criteria.

XII. Amendments to Charter

Amended on January 16, 1997

Voted and Approved by:

1996 South Weber Youth City Council

Melanie Petersen Mayor Pro-Temp
 Brooke Petersen
 Chris Jones Erin
 Hamp Deserae West
 Becky Waters

Amended on November 5, 1998

Voted and Approved by:

1998 South Weber City Youth Council

Megan Miller Mayor
 Becky Waters Deserae
 West Anne
 Bowerbank Justine
 Fessler

Amended on January 2, 2003

Voted and Approved by:

2002-2003 South Weber City Youth Council

Maegan Hunt Co Mayor
 Allyson Stone Co
 Mayor Denise Waters
 Christina
 Tucker Derek
 Tolman Nicole
 Crossley Erik
 Taylor Cody
 Dayton
 Jennifer Jacobson
 Emily Garner
 Jaydrienne Bradshaw Recorder

Amended on Oct 1st 2020

Voted and Approved by

2020-2021 South Weber Youth City Council

Emily Poff, Mayor
 Ryker Alvey, Mayor Pro-Temp
 Alexa George, Recorder
 Lillyanne Livingston, Historian
 Maggie Hyer, Secretary
 Alexia Alberts
 Jennah Johnson
 Susanna Johnson
 Kennedy Whitaker

South Weber Youth City Council Mission Statement

The mission statement of the SWYCC is to give back to the community by learning new skills and responsibilities. As the future leaders of America, we will strive to provide service to those in need, create events that build community ties, learn how to be strong leaders in difficult times, understand the political process of our American government system, and learn to budget and be fiscally responsible. As we learn to work together, we will endeavor to promote and strengthen a spirit of unity within ourselves and in our community.

South Weber Youth City Council Application

Please Print Clearly in Black or Blue Ink

Fill out this form completely. Turn it into the SOUTH WEBER CITY MAIN OFFICE, 1600 E South Weber Drive or email to the advisors (email at bottom of application) by **August 26, 2022 @ 5:00 pm**. Late applications will not be considered. Please attach two (1) letter of recommendation from a non-family member. Must be a resident of South Weber City. Must be at least 14 years old, and not yet a graduate of high school during the term of office. **The term runs from September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.**

Name _____ Age _____ Current
Grade _____

School _____

Address _____ South Weber, UT

Home
Phone _____ Email _____

Cell Phone _____ Can you send or receive texts? Y/N

Parent(s) Name(s) And Phone Numbers

Parent (s) email address

List all extra-curricular activities that you would be participating in during your term, including all sports, clubs, jobs, offices, dance teams, etc.

List past experiences, positions held, qualities, abilities and skills you have acquired that would help you contribute to the Youth City Council.

Why do you want to be a part of the South Weber Youth City Council and what do you expect to learn?

I know that being on the South Weber Youth City Council involves a great amount of time and work. I am committed to handle the responsibility and follow through with assignments. I certify that all the information on this application is true to the best of my knowledge and I am committed to be at the following meetings and activities. I have signed the Code of Conduct.

Meetings will be held on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at City Hall (or an Advisor's home if necessary).*

*Extra meetings may be necessary as Youth City Council sponsored events approach.

Requirements to remain on South Weber Youth City Council:

1. Remain a resident of South Weber City during the term of office.
2. Attend at least 75 percent of all Youth City Council meetings and activities.
3. Fulfill the responsibilities of the office held.
4. Set a proper example for the youth of the community and follow the YCC Code of Conduct.
5. Must Attend at least 2 regular City Council Meetings per year.

A member of the South Weber Youth City Council can be removed from office upon violation of one or more of the above criteria and by a majority vote of the Youth City Council with final approval of the Mayor or by a Youth City Council Advisor.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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Code of Conduct

South Weber Youth City Council is a youth-serving, community-based organization dedicated to providing leadership experiences and community service. Participation in the organization's programs is subject to the observance of the organization's rules and procedures. The activities outlined below are strictly prohibited. Any participant, advisor, or staff member who violates this Code is subject to discipline, up to and including removal from the program.

-Abusive language towards a staff member, advisor, volunteer or another participant.

-Possession or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs on South Weber City property or reporting to the program while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

-Bringing onto South Weber City property, dangerous or unauthorized materials such as explosives, firearms, weapons or other similar items.

-Discourtesy or rudeness to a fellow participant, staff member, advisor, or volunteer.

-Verbal, physical or visual harassment of another participant, staff member, advisor, or volunteer.

-Actual or threatened violence toward any individual or group.

-Conduct endangering the life, safety, health or well-being of others.

-Failure to follow any agency policy or procedure.

-Bullying or taking unfair advantage of any participant.

-Failing to cooperate with an adult supervisor/leader/mentor.

I have read and I understand the South Weber Youth City Council's Code of Conduct. I

agree to abide by the rules described above and understand that I may be removed as a participant if I violate any of these rules.

Signature _____

Date _____

I give permission for my youth to be involved with the South Weber City Council. I understand there is a time commitment for my youth and will be actively involved in their participation. I agree to receive text messages and/or notifications on the "Group Me" app for reminders of meetings or assignments for my child . I have signed the social media photo release consent form and indicated my choice either affirming or denying use of my child's image on the City social media pages.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Please call or text Angie Petty 801-698-7297 (apetty@southwebercity.com) or Hayley Alberts 801-814-9595 (halberts@southwebercity.com) if you have any questions.

Thank you for your willingness to serve our community!!!

South Weber City Youth City Council

ACTIVITY CONSENT FORM RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS

**Please read carefully before signing.
This is a release of liability and a waiver of certain legal rights.**

I, the undersigned, wish to participate in Youth City Council activities (the “activities”) offered by or held at facilities owned by South Weber City (“City”). Information about the activities may be obtained from the venue, activity coordinators, or City staff. I understand that my participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to follow instructions and abide by all applicable rules and the standards of conduct. I recognize that my participation in these activities, even when well supervised or managed, poses risks of injury to me, including but not limited to severe injury and loss of life. In consideration for my participation in these activities, I voluntarily accept and fully agree to assume all such risks, regardless of the extent of injury, including severe injury or loss of life, and I agree to be bound by the following terms at all times.

I hereby unconditionally waive and release the City and its officers, directors, employees, contractors, subcontractors, agents, affiliates, insurers, volunteers, representatives, successors and assigns (collectively the “Providers”) from any and all liabilities, claims, damages, losses and expenses, whether asserted by me or by another person on my behalf, including for bodily injury, death or property damage, arising out of or related to my participation in the activities, including if caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Providers, including negligent first aid or rescue operations. I further agree that if, despite this agreement, I or anyone on my behalf makes a claim against any of the Providers arising out of or related to my participation in the activities, I will indemnify, save and hold harmless and defend each of the Providers of and from any and all liabilities, claims, damages, losses, costs and expenses of any kind, character whatsoever, including, without limitation, all attorney’s fees, and costs and expenses of litigation and loss of wages, that any of the Providers may incur as the result of any such claim.

In case of injury or emergency, I authorize the Providers to render first aid and/or obtain whatever medical treatment it determines to be necessary. I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Providers of and from the consequences of such determination and from any such costs incurred relating to the provision of medical treatment.

I hereby grant to the City, its representatives, and employees the right to take my photograph and/or video in connection with my participation in the activities. I hereby authorize the City to copyright, use, and publish the same in print and/or electronically. I hereby agree the City may use such photographs and/or videos for any lawful purpose, including but not limited to publicity, illustration, advertising, and website or social media content.

I, the undersigned, have read this Release of Liability and Waiver of Claims, fully understand its terms and conditions, and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law. If any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect. This Release of Liability and Waiver of Claims shall be construed pursuant to the laws of the State of Utah.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PHOTO-VIDEO
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM

The purpose of this parent/guardian consent form is to inform you of the risks and to request permission for South Weber City (“City”) to publish your child’s video, photo, image, or name on the City’s newsletter, bulletin, Facebook page, website, or other social media outlets or publications in connection with your child’s participation in Youth City Council activities.

As you are aware, there are potential dangers associated with the posting of personally identifiable information online. Global access to the Internet does not allow the City to control who may access such information. These dangers are inherent in online communication. The law requires that we ask for your permission to use information about your child.

The City will not release any personally identifiable information without prior written consent from you as parent or guardian. Personally identifiable information includes names, videos, photos or images.

If you, as the parent or guardian, wish to rescind this agreement, you may do so at any time by sending a letter to the City. Such rescission will take effect upon receipt of your letter by the City.

Check one of the following choices:

- I/We GRANT permission for South Weber City to publish videos, photos, images, and descriptions of my child, including his or her name, on the City’s website, newsletter, bulletin, Facebook page, or other social media outlets and publications.

- I/We DO NOT GRANT permission for video/photos/images that include my child to be published on the City’s website, newsletter, bulletin, Facebook page, or other social media outlets and publications.

Print name of Youth/Child: _____

Print name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Relationship to Youth/Child: _____

Date: _____