

Request for Action

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Broken Arrow City Council Meeting of: 05/19/2020

Title:

Presentation by the Broken Arrow Youth City Council on the 2020 Congressional City Conference, and recognition of Youth City Council Seniors and presentation of certificates

Background:

The purpose of Broken Arrow Youth City Council (YCC) is to introduce its members to municipal government and increase their civic engagement. At the end of each school year, we like to share some highlights and recognize the outgoing seniors for their service.

The YCC met regularly during the school year under the direction of City Council Members Johnnie Parks and Scott Eudey, along with staff members from the City Manager's and Parks departments.

During the monthly meetings, the YCC had the opportunity to hear presentations from various departments including: Police, IT, Economic Development and Tourism, Parks & Recreation, and Community Development. They also had the opportunity to tour the History Museum and downtown Broken Arrow, as well as job shadow various staff members in areas of interest to them.

Three seniors members were chosen to attend the National League of Cities (NLC) Summit in San Antonio in November, and ten senior members traveled to Washington, D.C. in March to attend the Annual NLC Congressional City Conference. While in Washington, they participated in conference programs, visited national monuments, experienced public transportation, and took part in activities with other Youth Councils from across the country. YCC members raised funds to help pay for their own travel expenses.

The following senior Youth City Council Members have fulfilled the requirements of the Youth Council program for their two-year term and will be recognized following the NLC Conference presentation:

Sophie Arroyo, Homeschool

Sydney Chincon, Broken Arrow High School (transfer, one year)

Andrew Cloud, Epic Charter School

Hope Dewey, Broken Arrow High School

Taylor Eudey, Homeschool

Morgan Hubbard, Broken Arrow High School (Vice Mayor)

Luke Macomber, Broken Arrow High School (Mayor)

Sawyer Paris, Broken Arrow High School

Allison Shaw, Broken Arrow High School

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Jacob Shaw, Broken Arrow High School Jeremiah Thomas, Broken Arrow High School

The Broken Arrow Youth City Council is currently a three-year program open to high school students living in the Broken Arrow fenceline or those eligible to attend a high school in Broken Arrow. Recruitment for sophomores will begin this summer for the next school year. More information is available at www.brokenarrowok.gov/youthcitycouncil.

Cost:	\$0
Funding Source:	N/A
Requested By:	Jennifer Swezey, Communications & Media Relations Manager
Approved By:	City Manager's Office
Attachments:	YCC 2019-20 Photos

Recommendation:

No action is required.