

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-61

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS ESTABLISHING THE SAN MARCOS YOUTH COMMISSION; SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION; INCLUDING PROCEDURAL PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 of the San Marcos City Code is hereby amended to add Sections 2.074 and 2.075, pertaining to the San Marcos Youth Commission and to read as follows:

Sec. 2.074. San Marcos Youth Commission; established; composition; appointment of representatives.

(a) The San Marcos Youth Commission is hereby established. The San Marcos Youth Commission shall have 15 voting representatives. The appointment of individuals nominated to serve as representatives shall be confirmed by the city council and the San Marcos Youth Commission shall be composed as follows:

1. San Marcos High School (4)
2. San Marcos Academy (1)
3. Private/Charter Schools (1)
4. Home Schooled (1)
5. Outside City Limits/Inside SMCISD Boundaries (1)
6. Texas State student/Post-Secondary student (1)
7. Gary Job Corp (1)
8. Phoenix (1)
9. Other At-Large Youth Members (4)

(b) The representatives shall each serve a term of 1 year.

(c) The commission may also have additional self-selected general members who wish to take part in any committee or project. General members do not vote on matters of commission business.

Sec. 2.075. Duties; meetings; reports.

(a) The commission shall have the following duties and functions:

1. Represent the voices of youth in the community and advise elected officials and other policy makers about issues affecting and of interest to youth.

2. Provide leadership and represent the diverse needs and goals of young people in the community.
3. Serve as a bridge to connect the work of public entities including the city, county, the school district, and the university to support young people more effectively.
4. Provide a structure for youth to learn the value of civic participation and thereby create lifelong invested citizens.
5. Offer policy-making recommendations on issues affecting youth.
6. Provide outreach to San Marcos teens and inform them of existing opportunities and listen to suggestions on how the community can improve youth-oriented efforts.
7. Provide input on community issues coming before the city council and school board
8. Identify youth issues that need community attention.
9. Perform tasks and work on projects of the San Marcos Commission on Children and Youth.

(b) The commission shall meet monthly.

(c) The commission may make recommendations at any time but shall deliver at least one report annually to the governing bodies of the city, county, school district, and university govern

SECTION 2. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this Ordinance will continue in force if they can be given effect without the invalid portion.

SECTION 3. All ordinances and resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed.

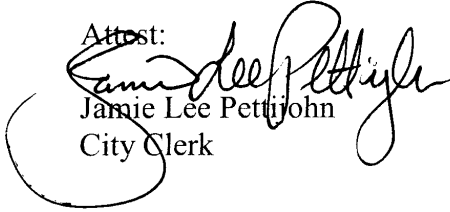
SECTION 4. This Ordinance will take effect after its adoption on second reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading on October 2, 2013.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on second reading on October 15, 2013.


Daniel Guerrero
Mayor

Attest:


Jamie Lee Pettijohn
City Clerk

Approved:


Michael J. Cosentino
City Attorney