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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: March 6, 2018

Subject

Update Teen Commission application requirements limiting Teen Commission applicants to students in grades 8 through 11.

Recommend Action

Adopt Resolution No. 18-____ that limits the Teen Commission applicants to students in grades 8 through 11 and revokes earlier resolutions governing the Teen Commission.

Background

The Cupertino Teen Commission has historically consisted of members in the 8th through 12th grades. However, 12th grade students have found it difficult to complete two year terms as a result of both school requirements and graduation.

Discussion

A student's senior year is highly impacted by college applications and the importance of maintaining academic excellence remains essential. With the amount of increased responsibilities and expectations placed on students, it can become difficult for 12th grade students to serve on the Teen Commission. This is especially true as many students experience decreased motivation as they approach the end of their high school career. In addition, there is a steep learning curve for new commissioners and it typically takes at least one term for Teen Commissioners to learn the intricacies and expectations of their role as appointed City representatives. The intent of these changes to the application requirements is to ensure students serving on the commission are able to maintain their highest level of dedication and service to the City.

Fiscal Impact

The recommended changes to the application requirements are not estimated to have a fiscal impact.

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Attachments: A – Draft Resolution