



Youth Commission Agenda - Final

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Monday, November 10, 2025

6:30 PM

**Town Hall
Council Chambers
100 N. Wilcox Street
Castle Rock, CO 80104**

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6:30 PM CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. [MIN 2025-020](#) September 8, 2025 Youth Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [September 8, 2025](#)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Denver Regional Council of Governments, 2050 Transportation Plan, Caroline Klamm

The Denver Regional Council of Governments is working on updating the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan. The plan includes the region's long-range vision for regional transportation, plans for needed transportation infrastructure and services, and details about future major transportation projects. Caroline Klamm will present at the Castle Rock Youth Commission to get a youth perspective on investment priorities in the plan.

Up to 30 minutes scheduled.

COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

YOUTH COMMISSION COORDINATOR COMMENTS

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

2. [YC 2025-003](#) Budget Update
3. [YC 2025-004](#) The Brief

- 4. [YC 2025-005](#) Winter Legislative Kick-Off at the Capitol
- 5. [YC 2025-006](#) Service Project, Project Linus
- 6. [YC 2025-007](#) Festival of Trees
- 7. [YC 2025-008](#) Rising Star Scholarship
- 8. [YC 2025-009](#) 6-Month Vision Lab

ACTION ITEMS

- 9. [YC 2025-010](#) Dress Code

INFORMATIONAL/UPDATE ITEMS

ADJOURN



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Item #: 1. **File #:** MIN 2025-020

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Becca Schnorr, Youth Commission Coordinator

September 8, 2025 Youth Commission Meeting Minutes

Executive Summary

Attached are the meeting minutes from the September 8, 2025 Youth Commission meeting for your review and approval.



Youth Commission Meeting Minutes - Draft

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TOWN TROLLEY TOUR

[YC 2025-001](#) Town Trolley Tour Schedule

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 P.M.

Present 9 - Abigail Reynolds , Chair Evan George, Treasurer Jackson Young, Secretary Mei James, Commissioner Ryan Agresti, Commissioner Chris Gawlikowski , Commissioner Matthew Hans, Commissioner Yusuf Sayedy, and Commissioner Lilianna Turk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

Council Member Dietz said he is looking forward to the Youth Commission and thanks the members for their commitment.

YOUTH COMMISSION COORDINATOR COMMENTS

Each commission member stated that they were excited to be here and they had a great time on the Town Trolley Tour this evening. They are looking forward to the year together.

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Shared a reminder to attend the State of the Town on Sept. 30 and Council

Member Dietz's Open House on Sept. 10 at The Oaks from 4-6 P.M.

ACTION ITEMS

[YC 2025-002](#)

Appointment of Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary

"I move to appoint Evan George to serve as the Chair of the Youth Commission from 2025 to 2026."

"I move to appoint Abigail Reynolds to serve as the Vice Chair of the Youth Commission from 2025 to 2026."

"I move to appoint Mei James to serve as the Secretary of the Youth Commission from 2025 to 2026."

"I move to appoint Jackson Young to serve as the Treasurer of the Youth Commission from 2025 to 2026."

Yes: 9 - Reynolds, Chair George, Treasurer Young, Secretary James, Commissioner Agresti, Commissioner Gawlikowski, Commissioner Hans, Commissioner Sayedy, and Commissioner Turk

INFORMATIONAL/UPDATE ITEMS

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 10:41 P.M.



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Item #: 2. **File #:** YC 2025-003

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Jackson Young, Treasurer

Budget Update

Discussion

2025 Budget update

- Review how funds were used
- Current balance
- Upcoming expenses

2026 Budget update

- Upcoming expenses
- Based on discussions, create a preliminary budget to bring forward for approval of the group in December

Financial Information

\$10,000 in 2025

\$12,000 in 2026



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Item #: 3. **File #:** YC 2025-004

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Becca Schnorr, Staff

The Brief

Discussion

The Brief is a communication tool sent out on the first of the month highlighting accomplishments and looking forward to the future. The distribution list is to the Youth Commission, their parents, and Town Council. A copy will be included in the monthly TMO update to Mayor and the Town Council.

Discussion and gain feedback for October and November issues.

Recommendation

Nominate and select a lead for The Brief.



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Item #: 4. File #: YC 2025-005

To: Members of the Youth Commission
From: Evan George, Chair
Winter Legislative Kick-Off at the Capitol

Discussion

The Winter Legislative Kick-Off at the Capitol is on Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026.

8:00 a.m. Welcome and light breakfast at Knights of Columbus
8:30 a.m. Walk to the Capitol for a group photo on the north steps
9:00 a.m. Colorado House and Senate proceedings
11:30 a.m. Convene on the first floor of the Capitol by the north entrance and walk to the KoC
11:45 a.m. Lunch and legislative program
12:30 p.m. Adjourn



Financial Information

\$35 per person

Recommendation

Registration is due before the end of the year.
Discuss and record which commissioners can and cannot attend.

Item #: 4. **File #:** YC 2025-005

Create a transportation plan.



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Item #: 5. **File #:** YC 2025-006

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Abigail Reynolds, Vice Chair
Service Project, Project Linus

Discussion

What is Project Linus?

Project Linus is a nonprofit organization that provides handmade blankets to children in need of comfort, love, and security. These blankets go to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. Our Youth Commission project would directly benefit kids in Douglas County.

Purpose of the Project

Provide meaningful community service that directly helps children
Give Youth Commissioners a hands-on activity to work together as a team
Build awareness of Project Linus and how youth can make an impact through service

Project Details

Activity: Making fleece tie blankets
Beneficiaries: Children in hospitals, shelters, and other care settings
Facilitator: Karen L, Denver Representative for Project Linus and Abigail R, Youth Commission lead

Financial Information

Up to \$1000 is budgeted for this project.

Recommendation

Thursday, November 13 from 5:00-7:00 at the Phillip S. Miller Library in Castle Rock
Conference Room F has been reserved

Castle View High School Student Government has been invited to participate in this service project.



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Item #: 6. **File #:** YC 2025-007

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Jackson Young

Festival of Trees

Discussion

Youth Commission is sponsoring one tree at POST Partners' Festival of Trees in Festival Park. These sponsored trees give back to the community twice. First, the decorated trees add to the festive environment Downtown. Then, following the season, the trees are planted in one of the Town's parks.

Youth Commission's mission is to spread the word about the commission.

Financial Information

Up to \$500 is budgeted for this project.

- \$150 tree sponsorship
- \$158.96 stuffed animals
- \$137.15 candy canes and permanent decorations
 - Total \$446.11

Recommendation

Each time we replenish, we will add 40 stuffed animals and 48 candy canes to the trees.

Commissioners need to sign up to replenish the tree during the following weeks;

- November 10-20 Initial decoration of the tree (select a date)
- November 21 (before Starlighting)
- Week of November 23
- Week of November 30
- Week of December 7
- Week of December 14
- Week of December 21
- Week of December 28

Item #: 6. **File #:** YC 2025-007

- Week of January 4
- Week of January 11



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Item #: 7. **File #:** YC 2025-008

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: **Becca Schnorr, Staff**

Rising Star Scholarship

Discussion

The Rising Star Scholarship is all about celebrating high school seniors who have made a real impact in the Castle Rock community. Whether it's through helping friends, making a difference at school, volunteering in the neighborhood or being active in clubs and organizations - if you've been doing great things, we want to hear about it.

A panel of judges representing the Castle Rock Youth Commission will review all applications. This is your chance to show them why you deserve this award!

Applications are now closed. Applications will open Feb. 3 through March 31.

Eligibility criteria

- Be a senior in high school, graduating in the spring
- Live in or attend a high school in Castle Rock. Homeschool students living in Castle Rock are encouraged to apply
- Explain how you've been involved in community service or made other positive community contributions

Application requirements

1. Online application: Complete the form (Form will be available in February)
2. Personal statement: Tell us who you are. Include your strengths, goals and how you plan to achieve those goals. Share your contributions to the community, the positive impact of the project and what Castle Rock means to you.
3. Letter of support: Submit a letter from someone who can vouch for your community impact. Let them brag about how awesome you are. This can be a teacher, coach, neighbor or even a peer
4. Media release form: Complete and upload the form

Award details

- Recipients will be notified by April 20

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- Recipients will be celebrated at an award ceremony during the Town Council meeting on May 5, which begins at 6 p.m.
- At least four winners will receive a \$1,000 award each
 - Scholarships will go directly to higher education institutions and are nonrenewable

Financial Information

\$4,000 towards the scholarship and \$150 towards the acrylic star awards

Recommendation

Select Youth Commission lead for the Rising Star Scholarship. This commissioner will work with Town staff to create a communications plan which includes the creation of the flyer.



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Item #: 8. File #: YC 2025-009

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Becca Schnorr, Staff and Evan George, Chair
6-Month Vision Lab

Discussion

6-Month Vision Lab

Brainstorm session - What do we want to accomplish in the next 6 months?

- Involvement: How can we increase youth participation in local government?
- Communication: How should we share Commission news with youth and community?
- Engagement: What projects or events should we plan that benefit youth?
- Recognition: How can we celebrate youth making a difference?
- Prioritize Focus Topics
 - What is important to us?
 - Where do we want to focus?
 - What do we want to see change?
 - How can we help?



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Item #: 9. **File #:** YC 2025-010

To: Members of the Youth Commission

From: Evan George, Chair

Dress Code

Discussion

As a commission, discuss and decide on appropriate dress.

Proposed Motion

"I move to establish guidelines for appropriate dress when the Youth Commission is present in Council Chambers."