



CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

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MEETING DATE: August 25, 2026

SUBJECT: Candidate Interviews and Appointments to the Banning Youth Council

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Interview qualified candidates and make five (5) appointments to the Banning Youth Council.

BACKGROUND:

The Banning Youth Council is as an advisory board to the City Council established under Chapter 2.42 of the Banning Municipal Code (BMC). The purpose of the Youth Council is to provide City youth with a vehicle to learn about government, participate in the process of city government, represent and articulate the needs of City youth, as well as advise the City Council on matters affecting the youth and teen population, especially City programs relating to youth and teens.

The Youth Council is composed of nine (9) members who are appointed for two-year terms that can be extended once. Currently five (5) positions are vacant due to graduation.

Today's interviews will include:

- Illiana Guichard
- Xochitl Hernandez
- Nathaly Spindola-Santos
- Jayden Salgado
- Daniel Garcia
- Emma Pennington

JUSTIFICATION:

The City opened the application period for Youth Council appointments and publicly posted the vacancies on the City's website. The City Clerk's Office received six (6) applications, and all applicants meet the qualifications to serve.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [BYC Applications_Combined_Redacted.pdf](#)
2. [Banning__CA_Code_of_Ordinances.pdf](#)
3. [Interview_Questions_-_Youth_Council_Applicants.pdf](#)