

BILL NO. 2025-1

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LVMC TITLE 2 BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER THEREIN, DESIGNATED AS CHAPTER 2.70, TO ESTABLISH THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Sponsored by: Councilwoman Olivia Diaz	Summary: Amends Title 2 of the Las Vegas
Councilwoman Francis Allen-Palenske	Municipal Code by adding Chapter 2.70 to establish
Councilwoman Nancy E. Brune	the Youth Leadership Advisory Council.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Title 2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter, designated as Chapter 2.70, consisting of Sections 10 to 70, inclusive, reading as follows:

2.70.010: There is created a Youth Leadership Advisory Council. As used in this Chapter, the term "Advisory Council" refers to the Youth Leadership Advisory Council. The purpose of the Advisory Council is to:

(A) Create and foster opportunities for civic engagement and leadership for youth and provide youth with opportunities to engage with City staff and elected officials, and

(B) Advise and make recommendations to the City Council concerning subjects of particular interest to youth, including, without limitation, education, youth development, social programs and initiatives.

2.70.020: (A) The Advisory Council shall consist of no less than nine voting members and no more than twenty-three voting members who are appointed by the City Council, and one non-voting staff member, ex officio, who will be assigned to the Advisory Council by the Director of Youth Development and Social Initiatives, or the Director's designee. Each voting member shall be a resident of the City or attend school within the City. Persons appointed to the Advisory Council shall receive no compensation.

(B) Each member of the City Council other than the Mayor is entitled to nominate up to

1 three persons for appointment to the Advisory Council. Each person so nominated must be a resident of, or
2 attend school within, the ward represented by the Council member making the nomination.

3 (C) The Mayor is entitled to nominate up to five persons for appointment to the Advisory
4 Council. Each person so nominated must be a resident of, or attend school within, the City but may be a
5 resident of any ward of the City.

6 **2.70.030:** Members of the Advisory Council shall, when appointed, be students at the high school level,
7 from schools, whether public, private or home school, that serve the City.

8 **2.70.040:** The Advisory Council shall annually elect from among its members a chairperson, a vice
9 chairperson, a secretary, and such other officers as deemed necessary or appropriate. Officers shall serve a
10 term of one year, or until a successor is elected. The duties of the officers shall respectively be as are usually
11 carried by such officers.

12 **2.70.050:** The Advisory Council shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council. Members of the
13 Advisory Council will serve staggered terms of two academic years. For the purposes of this Chapter, the
14 term "academic year" is defined as August of a given calendar year through May of the subsequent calendar
15 year. If the term of a member of the Advisory Council expires while such member is still attending high
16 school, that member will be permitted to serve a second term on the Advisory Council. Upon its
17 establishment, the Advisory Council may be composed of a certain number of members who will serve terms
18 of four academic years. The preferred composition of the initial Advisory Council is:

19 (A) Fifty percent of the Advisory Council's membership will be starting ninth grade during the
20 first academic year of such member's appointment, and

21 (B) Such ninth-grade members of the Advisory County will be appointed for initial terms of four
22 academic years.

23 (C) The remaining fifty percent of the Advisory Council, consisting of members who will be
24 starting tenth to twelfth grade during the first academic year of such member's appointment, will be appointed
25 for terms of two academic years.

26 Following the first two academic years after the establishment of the Advisory Council, its

1 membership will revert to staggered terms of two academic years.

2 **2.70.060:** The Advisory Council may adopt a code of conduct, bylaws, and make rules and regulations
3 governing its meetings. The Director of Youth Development and Social Initiatives, or the Director's designee,
4 shall serve ex-officio to represent the City's interests and to function as liaison between the Advisory Council
5 and the City.

6 (A) A majority of the appointed Advisory Council members shall constitute a quorum.

7 (B) No other person or substitute may participate in any Advisory Council meeting in the place
8 of an appointed member.

9 **2.70.070:** The functions, powers, and duties of the Advisory Council shall be as follows:

10 (A) The Advisory Council shall serve as an advisory body to the City Council and City staff, to
11 review City involvement in civic engagement for youth, youth leadership, education, and youth development.

12 (B) Members of the Advisory Council are encouraged to prepare model resolutions and consider
13 ideas for ordinances to be presented to the Advisory Council for possible consideration by the City Council
14 and other bodies.

15 (C) The Advisory Council shall submit a report to the City Council at least once per academic
16 year, setting forth the Advisory Council's efforts, results and future plans.

17 (D) The Advisory Council shall meet no fewer than five times per academic year.

18 (E) If any member of the Advisory Council has two unexcused absences during any academic
19 year, such member will be subject to removal from the Advisory Council. For the purposes of this Chapter,
20 "unexcused absence" is defined as an absence for which the chairperson, vice chairperson or secretary has
21 not been notified in advance of the Advisory Council meeting.

22 (F) The Advisory Council shall not operate in a regulatory or authoritative capacity. The
23 Advisory Council shall act in an advisory capacity only.

24 (G) The Advisory Council may advise the City Council and City staff regarding revisions to this
25 Chapter. The Advisory Council shall make requests and recommendations in writing to City Council and
26 City staff.

1 (H) The Advisory Council shall comply with all provisions of federal, state, and local laws,
2 including Chapter 241 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (Nevada's open meeting law).

3 SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase
4 in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by
5 any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the
6 remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the City of Las Vegas hereby
7 declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase
8 thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs,
9 sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective.

10 SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases,
11 sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983
12 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

13 PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2025.


14 APPROVED:

15 By _____
16 SHELLEY BERKLEY, Mayor

17 ATTEST:

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19 DR. LUANN D. HOLMES, MMC
City Clerk

20 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

21  2/19/25
22 Gillian Block Segerblom, Date
Deputy City Attorney

1 The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the ____ day
2 of _____, 2025, and referred to a committee for recommendation, the committee being
3 composed of the following members _____;
4 thereafter the said committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the ____ day of
5 _____, 2025, which was a _____ meeting of said Council; that at said
6 _____ meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the City Council as first
7 introduced and adopted by the following vote:

8 VOTING "AYE": _____

9 VOTING "NAY": _____

10 ABSENT: _____

11 APPROVED:

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13 By _____
SHELLEY BERKLEY, Mayor

14 ATTEST:

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16 DR. LUANN D. HOLMES, MMC
City Clerk

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