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RESOLUTION NO. 9049-19

BY:

A RESOLUTION to take effect immediately provided it receives the vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect at the earliest period allowed by law, establishing the Youth Council Planning Task Force to create a framework for the establishment of a Youth Council that will create leadership and civic engagement opportunities for youth to address youth concerns and perspectives and act as an advisory council to city administration and the community on issues affecting youth.

WHEREAS, Lakewood desires to involve young people in the community to discuss issues that are important to the youth of our City and advise Council and the Administration on issues important to youth in the community; and

WHEREAS, an youth advisory council comprising students ages 14 through 21 will facilitate involvement of youth in leadership and the government process and allow Council and the Administration to receive youth perspectives on issues which affect the City of Lakewood; and

WHEREAS, the City also seeks to enable youth to participate in improving the quality of life in the community for youth, educate and raise awareness of youth issues, inspire positive action in the community and act as advocates for youth and teens; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this resolution is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that the City wishes to engage a task force immediately for the purposes stated above; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO:

Section 1. The Youth Council Planning Task Force is hereby created for the purpose of establishing a framework for a municipal youth council that will provide the youth of this community with leadership and civic engagement opportunities to address youth concerns and perspectives obtain leadership skills and participate in civic affairs including acting in an advisory role to city and community leadership

Section 2. The Youth Council Planning Task Force shall be composed of nine members, three of whom shall be appointed by City Council, three of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor, and three of whom shall be appointed by the Lakewood Community Relations Advisory Board. The appointees shall have no formal term and may select a chairperson from among them. Council may appoint a representative from among councilmembers to attend task force meetings as a non-voting member, and in that event Council's representative shall report

to Council following each public meeting of the task force. The Mayor or any designee of his choosing shall serve as a non-voting member. The administration shall appoint a staff member for purposes of creating public notices, keeping minutes and performing other clerical duties to staff the task force. The Lakewood Community Relations Advisory Commission shall serve as advisors to the Youth Council Planning Task Force with the responsibility to guide the task force in the timely establishment of a framework for a municipal youth council.

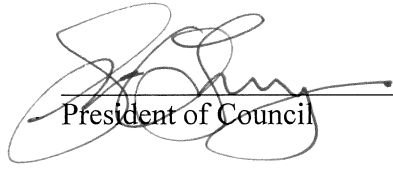
Section 3. The task force may call subject-matter experts to advise it on matters under its consideration.

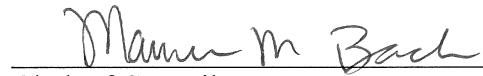
Section 4. The task force shall provide an update on its progress not less than every three months and shall be disbanded without further action upon final report out to Council, unless the task force is extended by Council.

Section 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

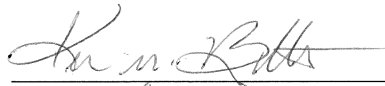
Section 6. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this resolution, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: 1/22/19

  
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President of Council

  
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Clerk of Council

Approved: 1/23/19

  
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Mayor (Acting)