

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Mayor's Youth Council Meeting was held on December 1, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Youth Council Chair Na-Kowa Ryals called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Roll call was taken. Present were members Mahi Nooka, Na-Kowa Ryals, Hailey Dester, Janelle Lewis, Brody Bishop, Sarah Dorough, Michael Barnes, Rayland Milligan, and Priya Sowmya.

The Invocation was led by Brody Bishop.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

MINUTES

- 1 Approval of November 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2025 meeting minutes approved.

1. BUSINESS ITEMS

1.1 Chipz Fundraiser

Mayor Monson reviewed the results of the CHIPZ fundraiser, reporting that \$10,500 was raised and 350 meals were served. She thanked all participants and recognized Rayland and Na-Kowa as the top ticket sellers.

Youth Council members signed thank-you cards for the 20 community sponsors, and each member was assigned sponsors to deliver the cards personally. Lessons learned were discussed, including the need for earlier volunteer support on the day of the event.

Mayor Monson suggested considering the fundraiser as an annual event.

1.2 Trip to Tallahassee January 26-28, 2026

Mayor Monson reviewed details of the upcoming Tallahassee trip. Youth Council members attending include Janelle, Mahi, Na-Kowa, Rayland, Priya, Noah, and Hailey. Permission slips were distributed and must be signed annually for participation. Once completed, the

Mayor will submit them to the City Clerk for filing. Chaperones will be Stella Ryals and Robin Ringeisen, with one chaperone providing transportation for some members. Mayor Monson will drive the City SUV for the remaining participants. The City Clerk will reserve six hotel rooms, with room assignments to be determined at the next meeting. Departure is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. from City Hall on Monday, January 26, with return planned for the early evening of January 28.

Discussion was held regarding whether Youth Council members will shadow City Council or attend Florida League of Cities programming, with a decision to be made at the next meeting

1.3 Volunteer Opportunities: Chairman

Mayor Monson thanked members who participated in the Veterans Day Parade.

Discussion followed regarding the Christmas Parade scheduled for December 6, 2025, with members attending identified as Brody, Janelle, Na-Kowa, Hailey, Michael, Noah, Priya, and Rayland. Members will meet at 5th Avenue and 17th Street at 6:00 p.m.

- 1.4 Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items: January 5, 2026 @6:00pm
Date and Time Confirmed.

ADJOURN 7:00 PM

Submitted by Ricardo Quiñones (not present)