

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Steve Mace, Community Information Officer

**SUBJECT:** Report from Youth Advisory Commission 2016 -17 Activities

## **BACKGROUND:**

Comprised of 27 University Park residents in grades 9 through 12, the City's Youth Advisory Commission has completed its ninth year of service to the community. All Youth Advisory Commission members are selected after submitting an online application and participating in a panel interview. The Commission was created by the City Council as an advisory group on issues directly related to teenagers. YAC also helps the City with various special events and ongoing community outreach efforts.

Among the Commission's activities from May 2016 to May 2017:

- Helped spread the word on the City's Fight the Bite campaign to combat West Nile by distributing door hangers to households across the community.
- Staffed 2 community document shredding/e-waste disposal events.
- Organized a karaoke event at the gazebo in conjunction with the Spring Movie in the Park featuring the animated movie Sing.
- Assisted City staff at various community events including: the annual Fishing Derby, the July 4 Fun Run, the Tree Lighting in Snider Plaza, and the Eggstravaganza in Goar Park.