
THE VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
No. 4-11-23 A

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A YOUTH COMMISSION
FOR THE VILLAGE OF ROBBINS, ILLINOIS

DARREN E. BRYANT, MAYOR
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Board of Trustees

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

THIS 11th DAY OF April, 2023

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ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the Village of Robbins (the "Village") is a home rule unit of government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Village has the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs, and to review, interpret and amend its ordinances, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to promote the general health and welfare of the young people in the Village of Robbins and give them a voice; the Mayor and Board of Trustees believe a youth Commission is in the best interest of all citizens of the Village of Robbins.

WHEREAS, the Village desires to enforce these ordinances to uplift the youth and train and develop civil servants of the Village; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Robbins, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers, as follows:

Section 1: That the above recitals are incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as set forth in their entirety.

Section 2: The purpose of the Ordinance is to add this Chapter to the Village of Robbins Municipal Code to enact the Village of Robbins Youth Commission.

Section 3: In adopting this ordinance the Mayor and Board of Trustees makes the following findings: The youth Commission is consistent with the goals, policies, and actions identified by the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

Section 4: Ordinance 4-11-23A Youth Commission Ordinance

- **Established**

- A. The youth Commission of the Village, hereinafter referred to in this Chapter as the "Commission" is created.
- B. The commission is a standing Commission. Youth commission 30-day certification programming shall be established by adult membership, then reviewed by the Mayor and Board of Trustees, then voted on by the adult membership commission

-Membership

- A. Adult membership - The commission shall consist of (3) adult members. Each member shall:
(1.) A resident of the Village of Robbins. (2). be appointed by the Mayor and voted on by the Board of Trustees. (3). Serve as adult supervision over the youth commission.
- B. Youth Membership- The commission shall consist of youth requirements: (1). A resident of Robbins (2). Youth no less than thirteen (13) years no more than nineteen (19). (3). Completion of 30-day Certification Course.

-Term Limits

- A. Adult commissioners shall serve for a two-year term, or upon resignation, or termination of commission by the Mayor and board of trustees.
- B. Youth commissioners shall serve in age limits beginning as early at thirteen (13) and expiring at nineteen (19); or upon resignation, or termination of commission by the Mayor and board of trustees.
- C. The Mayor can terminate the commission of any member for any reason. The Mayor must report the removal at the next available Council Meeting. The council board can veto the Mayor's termination with majority 2/3 vote.
- D. Adult membership can recommend the termination of any youth membership to the Mayor with the majority of adult membership vote.

-Meetings

- A. The commission shall schedule at least one (1) meeting per month at a designated time and place.
- B. A quorum shall consist of majority of adult membership.
- C. The Commission shall establish a President, Vice-President, and Secretary.
- D. The minutes of the commission shall be prepared by the Secretary and filed with the Village Clerk's Office. The minutes shall be a public record. The Open Meetings Act shall apply to such commission meetings.

-Duties and Responsibilities

- A. Develop and maintain a action plan outlining the areas of initiative by the commission.
- B. Review issues relating programs and services for youth.
- C. Identify and recommend priorities among programs and services for adolescents and youth.
- D. Create a forum for leadership discussion amongst youth.
- E. Advocate for positive programs, issues, and initiatives that impact youth.
- F. Make recommendation for programs, policies, and necessary legislation to promote the health and well-being of youth.
- G. Work with public and private sectors to bring forth the concerns of youth, as well as evaluate programming that will enhance the development of children and youth.
- H. Develop a communication network to disseminate information about services to youth.
- I. Secure funding and other resources that can enhance youth initiatives.
- J. Submit a quarterly report to the Mayor and Board of Trustees. Or whenever requested by the Mayor and Board of Trustees.

Section 5: The ordinance is not intended to and shall not be construed, or given effect in a manner that imposes upon the Village or any officer or any employee thereof a mandatory duty of care towards person and property within or without the Village. So as to provide a basis of civil liability for damages, except as otherwise imposed by law.

Section 6: The various portions of this Ordinance are hereby expressly declared to be severable, and invalidity of any such portion of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other portions of this Ordinance, which shall be enforced to the fullest extent possible.

Section 7: All ordinances or portions of previously passed or adopted ordinances that conflict with or are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 8: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after it passage and approval.

ADOPTED this 11th day of April, 2023, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
George Brewton	X			
David Dyson	X			
Tiffany S. Robinson	X			
Gregory N. Jackson	X			
Michael Collier Sr.			X	
Ernest Maxey Jr.	X			
Mayor Darren E. Bryant				
Total	5	0	1	

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 11th day of April, 2023

Darren E. Bryant
Darren E. Bryant, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon S. Dyson
Sharon S. Dyson, Village Clerk