



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 17-00362

City Council

6/8/2017

DISCUSSION ITEM

FROM: City Council Member Jewel Cannada-Wynn

SUBJECT:

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

SUMMARY:

The City Council encourages the Mayor's Office to establish a Summer Youth Employment Program to be implemented beginning the summer of 2018.

The purpose of the program is to engage youth in activities that support work based learning, the development of leadership skills as well as providing youth with an activity during the summer that will result in a positive growth experience.

Cities across the country provide different models/approaches in establishing a summer youth program. Escambia County, through an initiative of Commissioner Lumon May has developed a program that will start the summer of 2017. In the past, summer youth programs were a vital part of the youth experience in Escambia County and provide essential income for disadvantaged youth.

In order to address poverty in our community, a summer youth program is essential. The program for the City of Pensacola could start with fifty (50) youths between the ages of 14-19. Exact details of the program will be worked out within the Mayor's Office and should be complete by March of 2018. Employees would work between 20-40 hours a week for a period of 4-6 weeks. Costs for the program would run between \$99,000 and \$105,000.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

1) None

PRESENTATION: No

