

RESOLUTION NO. 20-09

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
RIDGWAY, COLORADO, ESTABLISHING THE TOWN OF
RIDGWAY YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Town of Ridgway, Colorado (“Town”) is a home rule municipality and political subdivision of the State of Colorado (“State”) organized and existing under a home rule charter (“Charter”) pursuant to Article XX of the Constitution of the State; and

WHEREAS, many municipalities use youth advisory councils to inject fresh ideas and youth perspectives into local decision-making; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes youth to be a valuable resource when given the opportunity to provide public input and citizen participation in the determination of Town policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, youth advisory councils can promote community service and foster a better understanding among young people of how municipal government works; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that establishing a Youth Advisory Council to serve as an advisory body to the Town Council, will empower youth, will give them opportunities for input on projects, programs, and events, and will afford them opportunities to have influence and impact on issues and decisions they care about; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to create a Youth Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 5-3 of the Ridgway Charter states that the Town Council may create any commissions and boards as it deems appropriate and specify their duties, terms and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that the establishment of a Youth Advisory Council will promote the health, safety and general welfare of the Ridgway community.

NOW THEREFORE, the Ridgway Town Council hereby **RESOLVES** to establish the **Town of Ridgway Youth Advisory Council as set forth in Exhibit A: Town of Ridgway Youth Advisory Council Authority and Procedures**, attached hereto.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this _____ day of July, 2020.

ATTEST:

John Clark, Mayor

Pam Kraft, Town Clerk