



Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

Rochester Hills Government Youth Council

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Ryan Deel, City Council Liaison; Erin McKay Mims, Youth Council Liaison

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

6:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Blakeley called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 12 - Janelle Hayes, Eliza Pizzuti, Seo-Yun Woo, Kishyo Giri, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Dev Shah, Mohammad Uzair and Aarya Verma

Excused 4 - Siddh Sheth, Brennan Deel, Christina Wang and Jueon Kim

Absent 1 - Jackson Deel

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motioned by Giri, seconded by DiGrande.

[2025-0490](#)

October 1, 2025 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

Attachments: [Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)
[RHGYC October 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Resolved, that the October 1, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dais Reports:

Sasha Joshi 10/20/2025

- *Annual reports: Avondale Youth Assistance, Paint Creek Trailway Commission, Rochester Area Youth Assistance*
- *Edited the 3rd Quarter Budget Amendment then passed it*
- *The Community Development Block Grant Application for 2026 was passed*
- *Discussion about Auburn Angara Oaks Condominium - whether it's safe to go ahead with the plan with its current location (intersection of Auburn and Crooks)- speed concern if people could increase their speed to 50 mph in less than a few seconds. People thought there will be a lot of car crashes.*
- *Request for Wetland Use Permit Approval for Nowicki Park - lots of public comment as citizens were concerned that visitors would park on their streets and block their homes and infiltrate their space*

Dev Shah 11/10/2025

- *Restaurant opening: whether or not a liquor license should be given*
- *Honorable mentions for Carl Morlan and David Walker and President Ryan Deel*
- *Acknowledged the Fire Department's 50th anniversary*
- *Mark Tisdell update- state rep update*

Committee Reports and Updates:

- Green Space (Dev Shah): Discussion about Nowicki park and the dog park set to be there, wetlands use discussion as well.

- Sister City Committee (Eliza Pizzuti) : planning the memorial day parade, talked about signed budget between Rochester and Rochester Hills, event is on May 25th, parade blockade system discussion, graphics opportunity for youth council, looking for high school students from all three schools to get clubs involved and advertise the parade.

- RARA Committee (Janelle Hayes) : Approved bills for September and talked about the RARA master plan: what sports are they going to do, how

effective is RARA, what will RARA look like in the future, staff, volunteers, and counselors for the “safe sports” program, new advisory board for the youth.

Updates from Erin McKay Mims:

- Announcing Aarya Verma's move out of Rochester Hills*
 - Next City Council Liaison to Youth Council is still yet to be decided.*
- More information*
will be coming after the December 1, 2025 City Council Meeting.
- Dais assignments for January-August will be available in December and we can decide Dais reports at next month's meeting.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

-Winter event for RHGYC- SOUPerbowl party

Location: RHPL: Either Saturday February 7 (RCS No school on February 6) or after 1pm or

Saturday, January 31st. - note: more availability on the 31st

Admission to the event is a few cans of non-perishable food items. The cans of food will go to the Neighborhood House.

Menu: Soup from Papa Joes. We could get several big thermoses of Soups and Chili.

Sides donated or purchased.

Speaker: TBD Neighborhood House could come and speak on statistics of hunger in our

community and different ways the community can help. (Erin reached out, waiting to hear back)

Teams will be:

- Menu + Food donation team*
- Entertainment Team*
- Prizes team*
- Marketing team*

Erin will be working on a plan for the next meeting with a timeline and logistics.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

November:

- Light the Village: Friday November 21, 2025. Arrival is 5:00pm and the event goes until 7:30pm. Please dress appropriately.

December:

- Wednesday, December 3- December Regular Meeting

- Discussion of availability within Youth Council for the Rochester Area

Christmas Parade: Sunday, December 7: 2pm - Erin will keep us updated over the next few weeks

- Wednesday, December 10- Holiday Party- The Museum is available/ Train exhibit or

City Hall

- White elephant: budget is anywhere from \$15-\$20

- Potluck- Plan for allergies/any other dietary restraints

- Holiday Giving: Neighborhood House- Plan a day for shopping.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Regular Meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Rochester Hills Government Youth Council, it was moved by Verma and seconded by Joshi to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM.