



Rochester Hills

Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

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Marvie Neubauer and Mark Skelcy*

Vision Statement: *The Community of Choice for Families and Business*

Mission Statement: *"Our mission is to sustain the City of Rochester Hills as the premier community of choice to live, work and raise a family by enhancing our vibrant residential character complemented by an attractive business community."*

Monday, May 11, 2026

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

President Carlock called the Regular Rochester Hills City Council Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Michigan Time.

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - David Blair, Jason Carlock, Theresa Mungoli, Marvie Neubauer, Bradley Limberg and Mark Skelcy

Absent 1 - Diana Mannino

Others Present:

*Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer
Dan Christ, City Attorney
Ken Elwert, Parks & Natural Resources Director
Todd Gary, Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director
Lori Hamilton, Administrative Services Supervisor
Janelle Hayes, Rochester Hills Government Youth Council
Rochelle Lyon, Information Systems Director
Nathan Mueller, Chief of Communications
Leanne Scott, City Clerk
Chris Shepard, Field Services Manager
Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer
Erin Sudrovech, Chief of Staff
Mike Viazanko, Building/Ordinance/Facilities Director*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Neubauer, seconded by Mungoli, that the Agenda be Approved as Presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 6 - Blair, Carlock, Mungoli, Neubauer, Limberg and Skelcy

Absent 1 - Mannino

(Ms. Mannino entered at 7:03 p.m.)

Present 7 - David Blair, Jason Carlock, Theresa Mungoli, Marvie Neubauer, Bradley Limberg, Diana Mannino and Mark Skelcy

COUNCIL AND YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, and Nathan Mueller, Chief of Communications, were present to provide an update on the recent Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) 42-inch water main break.

Ms. Balint stated that the water main began leaking on May 6th, and broke this past weekend. She commended Leon Luedeman, Water & Sewer Operations Manager, and his staff for their exceptional response to the situation. She noted that DPS has been in constant communication with Mayor Barnett and Mr. Mueller, and has received significant support from the Parks, Building, and Fire Departments. She also extended her appreciation to the residents for their conscious water usage, which is helping to maintain the supply in the City's system.

She provided the following information regarding the water main break:

- The City has been working with GLWA, Auburn Hills, Pontiac, and Orion Township since the leak on Wednesday, May 6th. A reduction in the pressure in the system is what triggered the first Boil Water Advisory for the northwest corner of the City.*
- At about 1:35 a.m. on Sunday, the water main broke. There was concern that Orion Township and the northern part of Auburn Hills would be completely out of water.*
- Due to proactive planning, Rochester Hills' DPS knew exactly what to do in this situation. Typically, the northwest section of the City that is currently under the Boil Water Advisory is fed from Walton Boulevard and a westerly City limit; however, the City is now pulling the water from South Boulevard all the way north. The system is very volatile with low pressures, but today, they made a slight modification to the Booster Station, and this has been helpful, as the PSI at Dutton and Adams, which is normally at about 50-55 PSI, is at about 40-45 PSI.*
- The Boil Water Advisory and water restrictions will remain in effect indefinitely. If people start using too much water, the pressures within the system could drop again. To lift the Boil Water Advisory, water sampling is required. Thus, Rochester Hills is currently determining the sample locations and how many samples need to be taken. GLWA will be assisting with this process, and the City will be meeting with them later this week to determine when they will start flushing and taking samples.*
- The new water main was installed today. Tonight, crews are finishing up the final weld on the pipe to connect it to the existing pipe, and they are hoping to start filling the main. Daily meetings will take place this week, with the first one scheduled for 8:00 a.m. tomorrow. At that time, the City will know more about when they can start sampling.*
- As of now, the City does not know when the system will be fully back in service. They are taking the situation one day at a time, but so far, things are moving in the*

right direction.

President Carlock expressed his appreciation for DPS, the engineering teams, and everyone else involved in this situation, including the City's residents for restricting their water usage. He also thanked the Rochester Hills Fire Department, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office, and City staff for running the water distribution site today, sharing that he helped out for about an hour and a half today and that they gave away a couple thousand gallons of water in that time. He encouraged residents to visit rochesterhills.org, noting that Mr. Mueller is doing a great job of keeping it updated with the latest information and that the water distribution site at Von Maur in the Village will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. tomorrow.

Ms. Neubauer echoed President Carlock's appreciation for the City's DPS team and Mr. Mueller's communication, and acknowledged that the water main broke in the middle of the night on Mother's Day and that it has been a long weekend for many. She questioned why the water main broke when it was supposed to last 100 years. She also inquired whether the City can identify areas of vulnerability so that they can take preventative measures.

Ms. Balint stated that factors such as ground conditions and pressure changes affect the life span of pipes. She also explained that the City has a relatively young system and that they perform good maintenance on it, pointing out that the main that broke is larger than any of the City's mains and serves as a significant feed to several communities. She shared that the City has the same material in some of their transmission mains and that they will be replacing a mile of the same pipe along Rochester Road between Hamlin and Avon in 2027, as they are trying to be proactive.

Vice President Mungioli thanked the City staff and extended teams for helping the City through this challenge, and noted that they are fortunate compared to other communities in that they have water coming out of their faucets. She characterized this as a credit to the forethought of the design of the City's system, and recognized the excellent work of Ms. Balint and her team. She also thanked Mr. Mueller for his communication efforts, both to Council and to the public. She pointed out that the room being fairly empty tonight is indicative of this effective communication. She concluded by inquiring whether the rain needs to hold off for the next two weeks so that the repair work can be finished.

Ms. Balint noted that they are backfilling the area and should be good on that front.

Mr. Skelcy questioned whether the water main break has affected the fire hydrants. He also questioned how many gallons of water were lost and what the material of the repair main is.

Ms. Balint responded that there is low pressure in the system in the northwest area of the City and that the Fire Department is aware of this and does not plan to utilize the hydrants in the case of a fire. She shared that she has not heard exactly how much water was lost and that she is not sure about the material of the repair main but she will find out.

President Carlock underscored his gratitude for everybody who has been involved in the communications and water main repairs, noting that the City could not have asked for a better response.

Rochester Hills Government Youth Council (RHGYC):

President Carlock introduced RHGYC Representative **Janelle Hayes**.

Ms. Hayes stated that she is a 12th grader at Stoney Creek High School and that this is her fourth year serving on the Youth Council. She reported that this past month, they debriefed their Cultural Fair to discuss how they can continue offering a premier event to the citizens of Rochester Hills. She detailed that they estimated approximately 550 to 600 attendees this year; a significant increase from last year. She also announced that they will be volunteering at O.A.K. in the Hills at Spencer Park on May 16th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., explaining that this event marks the start of a beautiful, enriching summer and highlights the beauty of the City's parks. She continued by sharing that they are currently encouraging high schoolers from Rochester Hills to apply for the 2026-2027 RHGYC term, noting that applicants have until May 22nd to apply and that more information can be found on the City's website. She added that their next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

Vice President Mungoli shared that Ms. Hayes has been a valuable youth voice on the Rochester Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) Board, and congratulated her on her graduation.

Sister City Committee / Rochester:

Vice President Mungoli clarified confusion surrounding the Memorial Day Parade of Heroes, emphasizing that the parade begins at 9:30 a.m. She outlined the following schedule:

- 9:00 a.m.: City of Rochester Flag Lowering Ceremony at Mt. Avon Cemetery (400 6th St)
- 9:30 a.m.: Memorial Day Parade of Heroes
 - Starting at Mt. Avon Cemetery in Rochester and finishing at Veterans Memorial Pointe in Rochester Hills
- 10:30 a.m.: City of Rochester Hills Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Memorial Pointe (1015 S. Livernois Rd)
 - Parking and shuttle available at Prefix Corp. (1400 S. Livernois Rd)
- 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Hot Dogs at the Rochester Fire Department (277 E. Second St)

She continued by announcing that it is Police Week, noting that this is a time for people to thank policemen for all their efforts and sacrifices in keeping the community safe. She also shared that May is Mental Health Month, and highlighted the need to break the stigma around those suffering from mental health challenges. She explained that there are many things that may affect your mental health, such as difficult life experiences, access to support or care, and family history of mental disorders. She offered the following suggestions for boosting mood:

- Shower
- Moisturize everything
- Put on clean, comfortable clothes
- Drink cold water
- Clean something
- Blast music
- Make food
- Make something
- Go outside
- Call someone
- Cuddle your pets
- Pray
- Find something to be grateful for

She added that local resources can be found through Common Ground, the Rochester Hills Resiliency Center, and faith communities, and encouraged people to seek the help they need.

OPC Social & Activity Center Committee:

Ms. Mannino invited residents to attend the following OPC events:

- Parkinson's Workshop
 - Tuesday, May 19th from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m.
- 5K Run/Walk to Benefit Meals on Wheels
 - Saturday, June 6th at 8:00 a.m.
- "Feelin' Groovy" Summer Soirée
 - Friday, June 19th from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

Rochester Hills Museum Foundation:

Ms. Mannino informed residents of the following happenings at the Museum:

- The Underground Railroad in Oakland County
 - Six-panel display through June 30th
 - Free admission
- America 250 Dedication Ceremony
 - Saturday, May 16th from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Mt. Avon Cemetery
 - Hosted by the Stoney Creek Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution
 - Will be recognizing three Revolutionary War Patriots who are buried in the cemetery and presenting an America 250 Marker
- Greater Rochester Heritage Festival
 - Saturday, May 30th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 31st from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Rochester Municipal Park
 - Car show, hot dog eating contest, historical artifacts and reenactments, vintage baseball, and more

RECOGNITIONS

2026-0226 Proclamation in Recognition of Building Safety Month, May 2026

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Proclamation.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Mike Viazanko, Building/Ordinance/Facilities Director, was present.

President Carlock read the proclamation in honor of Building Safety Month, and thanked Mr. Viazanko and his team for all their work.

Mr. Viazanko thanked City Council for their continued support and declaration of May as Building Safety Month, noting that it is a national event. He explained that construction codes are meant to be helpful, not a hinderance, and that studies have shown that after a catastrophic event, newly constructed homes and buildings that meet current construction codes have been protected while other structures have been devastated or destroyed. He also commented that as the current Vice President of ICC Executive Board Region V, he has great pleasure in getting to share at board meetings that Rochester Hills has received another proclamation. He added that the Building Department's next event will be at the OPC on May 13th and that they will also be hosting an event at Innovation Hills on May 29th.

Presented.

Whereas, the City of Rochester Hills is committed to recognizing that our growth and strength depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and

Whereas, our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians - building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, plumbers and others in the construction industry - who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

Whereas, these guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a U.S. based organization that brings together local, state, and federal officials who are experts in the built environment to create and implement the highest quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work and play; and

Whereas, the International Codes used by the City of Rochester Hills include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as snowstorms, tornadoes, floods; and

Whereas, Building Safety Month is an opportunity to remind the public about the critical role of community's largely unknown protectors of public safety - our local code officials - who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity; and

Whereas, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home

and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; and

Whereas, “Built To Last”, the theme for Building Safety Month 2026, encourages us all to raise awareness about building safety on a personal, local and global scale.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that May 2026 will be designated Building Safety Month in the City of Rochester Hills. Accordingly, our citizens are encouraged to join their fellow Americans in participating in Building Safety Month awareness by assisting in efforts to improve building safety.

2026-0230 Proclamation in Recognition of National Public Works Week, May 17-23, 2026

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Proclamation.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, was present.

President Carlock read the proclamation in honor of National Public Works Week, and stated that this recognition is well deserved by the DPS team.

Ms. Balint thanked City Council for their continued support on behalf of DPS.

Presented.

Whereas, the year 2026 marks the 66th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association; and

Whereas, the infrastructure, facilities, and services provided by the Rochester Hills Department of Public Services are the foundation of our city's health, safety, and vibrant quality of life; and

Whereas, our dedicated DPS team works tirelessly behind the scenes - maintaining the roads we drive on, ensuring that the best quality water flows to our homes, preserving our beautiful pathways and public spaces, and keeping our community resilient through every season and storm; and

Whereas, these vital services are made possible only through the expertise, hard work, and unwavering commitment of the engineers, managers, and field staff who rebuild, improve, and protect the local systems essential to our residents; and

Whereas, the responsiveness, pride, and professionalism displayed by the Rochester Hills DPS directly contribute to making our city one of the premier places to live, work, and raise a family; and

Whereas, it is in the public interest for the citizens and civic leaders of Rochester Hills to recognize and maintain an ongoing understanding of the critical contributions these dedicated professionals make every single day.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that I, the Mayor of Rochester Hills, do hereby designate the week of May 17-23, 2026, National Public Works Week in the City of Rochester Hills, and I urge all residents to join us in extending our deepest gratitude to our Department of Public Services team for their hard work, commitment, and substantial

contributions to the safety, health, and well-being of our entire community.

PRESENTATIONS

2026-0223 Legislative Update by State Senator Michael Webber

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)

State Senator Michael Webber acknowledged Rochester Hills' great response to the water situation. He shared that today, the Macomb Chamber hosted Governor Whitmer at the Governor's Luncheon, where she discussed the issuing of a State of Emergency. He added that if there is anything else they can do at the State level, he is willing to work with the City.

He then provided the following legislative updates:

- The budget process is currently underway; both the House and the Senate have passed budgets. A Revenue Estimating Conference took place in January, and another one will take place this Friday. Last year's budget negotiations went past the July 1st deadline, but this year, they are slated to be complete by the end of June, with the budget going into effect October 1st.
- He and Representative Tisdell were able to secure \$2 million for roadway infrastructure and access for Nowicki Park and \$175,000 to continue the Common Ground Victim Assistance Program.
- In terms of revenue sharing and roads, the Governor's proposal did not include an increase for statutory revenue sharing. Constitutional revenue sharing is expected to decrease by 2.5 percent due to the removal of the sales tax on gasoline, which was part of the road funding deal last year. Because of the road funding deal, Rochester Hills is expected to receive over \$3.3 million, or a 33% increase, in road funding on a yearly basis, including this year.
- The Revenue Sharing Trust Fund legislation passed unanimously through the Senate two weeks ago. Although this legislation has not been moving in the House this session, they are hoping to reach an agreement soon and finally get it across the finish line on a bipartisan basis.
- The Housing Readiness Package is currently in the House. The Michigan Municipal League (MML) has worked on a different package of bills, which Representative Tisdell and Representative Steckloff introduced in the House. Efforts are being made to introduce this package in the Senate as part of their MML caucus. He voiced his opposition to preemption at the State level, and emphasized collaboration to get housing in Michigan moving in the right direction.
- He and Representative Robinson of Utica are working on legislation to fund sound walls at the State level. This would be a funding mechanism within the MDOT budget and would function as a grant program for cities and counties to fund sound walls where the federal government was unable to do so through federal projects. For the Rochester Hills area, M-59 is one notable example, though he also represents areas affected by I-75 and M-53. His bill is Senate Bill 80, and Representative Robinson has a bill that has passed through the House Transportation Committee.
- To sign up for his monthly e-news, residents should visit senatormichaelwebber.com or call his office at 517-373-0994.

Vice President Mungoli commented that she learned from the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors (GMAR) that when people are moving, they look first at the schools, then at the community, and finally at the homes, and they will change the house structure if they can get the schools and community they want. She requested that Senator Webber investigate the root cause of the issue; for instance, whether there are communities that need improvements to their schools or revitalization of their community rather than subsidized housing. She also questioned whether there is anything in the price structure of fuel that the State legislature currently has any control over.

Senator Webber expressed his belief that there has already been some discussion at both the State and the federal level regarding potentially suspending the State gas tax. He acknowledged that many people are really struggling right now, and stated that they will do what they can throughout the rest of the budget process to address this issue.

Vice President Mungoli emphasized that families are making significant budgetary decisions based on the increasingly expensive gas and food prices, and offered Council's support to the State legislature relative to gas prices.

Ms. Neubauer echoed Vice President Mungoli's remarks, reiterating that people do not want to move into certain homes in the State because of the surrounding community. She noted that the housing package would make it permissible to tear down her house and put six new houses in its place, but underscored that the residents of Rochester Hills do not want to see this. She voiced her belief that the housing package had the best of intentions but that there cannot be a Statewide solution applied to individual communities. She also revealed that she does not support the counter-package because she feels that it is trying to trick communities into the same kind of situation.

Senator Webber noted that he is not as well-versed on the MI Home package as Representative Tisdell is, but voiced his belief that it takes a carrot versus a stick approach. He commented that it will be up to City Council, and added that they are trying to discuss multiple options relative to what they can do as a State.

Ms. Neubauer recognized the current housing crisis, but emphasized that the crisis in Rochester Hills differs from that in cities like Saline, where they have a great deal of acreage and want to construct a data center. She cautioned against treating every community with a broad brush, and pointed out that City Council will not have any say in the matter if preempted by the State.

Presented.

- 2026-0221** Request for Acceptance of the Fiscal Year End 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report presented by the audit firm of Rehmann, PLLC

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Presentation.pdf](#)
[Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.pdf](#)
[Governance Letter.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Dan Merritt, Rehmann PLLC, introduced himself as the Signing Engagement Principal on the audit this year, and shared that Tracey Kendall is the Senior Manager and Kevyn Kozumplik is the Manager. He explained that they work closely with Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer, Mike McLaughlin, Accounting Manager, and the rest of the City's Fiscal team. He added that Rehmann is a full-service accounting firm but has a specialization in local government audits.

He provided the following information regarding audit opinions and key financial highlights:

- An unmodified opinion was given on the 12/31/2025 financial statements.
- The City did not require an audit of its Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) as it expended less than \$1,000,000 in federal awards for FY 25.
- Key financial highlights:
 - Total growth in assets of \$35.2 million. Total increase of liabilities of \$17.7 million.
 - Property tax revenue increased by \$2.9 million. Investment income was \$10.2 million.
 - General Fund: fund balance held steady at \$18.7 million in accordance with the City's fund balance policy and planned transfers to capital projects funds.
 - The City has continued its significant investments into the Water and Sewer system.
 - No pension liability. OPEB liability is funded and presents as a net asset.

He then shared further results from the audit:

- Assets and Deferred Outflows
 - The City saw a small growth in cash and investments of about \$4.7 million, which is primarily due to good fund results. The City has a structural surplus across most of its governmental and business-type funds.
 - The City saw an increase in receivables of about \$12.5 million. The biggest component of that was related to the golf course contract that the City entered into with a third-party operator.
 - The City saw growth in net capital assets of approximately \$18 million, which includes Nowicki Park, the Brooklands Plaza, and Innovation Hills. The City also made a substantial investment in roads.
- Liabilities and Deferred Inflows
 - The City is debt-free. The "long-term debt" is indicative of the City's participation in contractual borrowing through the County to maintain its water and sewer system.
 - The City saw an increase in deferred inflow, which is future revenue of the City. As property tax values and property tax revenue go up, that deferred inflow

goes up as it is collected.

- The future value of the 50-year contract for the golf course is represented. This item is referred to as a public-private partnership (PPP) under GASB 94.
- Major Revenue Line Items (Governmental Funds)
 - The largest contributor to the City's budget is property taxes. Property tax values in the City of Rochester Hills continue to be quite strong.
 - Another important revenue stream for the City is intergovernmental revenue, which includes State revenue sharing and grants. The City has some new grants, like the EGLE Cleanup grant.
 - The City continues to have a very high investment income as a result of careful management of its investment vehicles.
- Fund Balance (General Fund)
 - The General Fund balance continues to be strong. There was a leveling off of the General Fund balance in 2024 that continued in 2025, primarily due to the City's Fund Balance Policy.
 - Almost all of the General Fund balance is unassigned, meaning that it is not committed for other purposes; it is available for the City to budget and use.
- Water and Sewer Fund
 - The City moved slightly up in liquidity in 2025. The City carefully drew down on its Cash and Investments balance over the last four years to try to fund improvements to the system, and managed to continue to fund improvements to the system this year and increase liquidity ever so slightly. This means that the City has choices regarding how to finance future capital projects.
- Net OPEB Asset (Liability)
 - The City has no pension liability. This decision was made many years ago and continues to pay dividends. The City offers a very generous defined contribution pension plan as opposed to a defined benefit pension plan, so there is no big liability like most cities in Michigan.
 - The City does have some promises to future retirees for post-employment benefits. This now presents as a net asset and is close to being perpetually funded.

He concluded with the following information:

- Board Communications
 - Accounting estimates by management were assessed and deemed reasonable.
 - No difficulties were encountered during the audit in working with management.
 - No material audit adjustments or misstatements were noted during the audit.
 - Rehmann's report issued on internal controls over financial reporting noted no material audit adjustments and no significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.
 - Rehmann noted one other matter which was communicated to management in writing as part of their letter on opportunities for improving internal controls.
- Audit Key Insights
 - The City benefits from having a team of highly experienced finance and accounting professionals that deliver timely reports with minimal budgetary variances.
 - The City continues to invest in personnel and capital-adding parkland and recreation improvements, strengthening water and sewer infrastructure, and

maintaining/improving major and local streets.

- The City continues to have a strong financial position thanks to careful budgeting and a structural surplus in many of its funds. This provides flexibility and stability for operations and future capital investments.

President Carlock described the presentation as very thorough, and commended Mr. Snyder and the Fiscal team for their work.

Vice President Mungoli inquired about the impact of Rehmann's recommendations to the City.

Mr. Merritt responded that the impact is fairly minimal, explaining that Rehmann's recommendation this year primarily surrounded the existing procedures for obtaining information from Oakland County to record certain transactions. He detailed that their recommendation was for the City to push the County harder to obtain information for their books.

Vice President Mungoli voiced how great it is to have a clean audit, and thanked Mr. Merritt and his staff.

A motion was made by Mungoli, seconded by Blair, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungoli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0136-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby acknowledges receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report from City Administration and the auditing firm of Rehmann, PLLC for Fiscal Year End 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion, without discussion. If any Council Member or Citizen requests discussion of an item, it will be removed from Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

2026-0220 Approval of Minutes - City Council Regular Meeting - April 27, 2026

Attachments: [CC Min 042726.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0137-2026

Resolved, that the Minutes of the Rochester Hills City Council Regular Meeting held on April 27, 2026 be approved as presented/amended.

2026-0229 Request for Approval to temporarily relocate two of the City's 21 precincts for the August 4, 2026 Primary Election

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[080426 Precinct List.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0138-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the temporary relocation of the following precincts for the August 4, 2026 Primary Election due to school construction:

Precinct #4 **from** West Middle School **to** Rochester Adams High School
Precinct #9 **from** Hart Middle School **to** North Hills Elementary School

- 2026-0202** Request for Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Parks and Natural Resources Director to be the Agent for the City of Rochester Hills for Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0139-2026

Whereas, upon the recommendation of the Oakland County Executive, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners has established a West Nile Virus Fund Program to assist Oakland County cities, villages, and townships in addressing mosquito control activities; and

Whereas, Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program authorizes Oakland County cities, villages, and townships to apply for reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred in connection with personal mosquito protection measures/activity, mosquito habitat eradication, mosquito larviciding, or focused adult mosquito insecticide spraying in designated community green areas; and

Whereas, the City of Rochester Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, has or will incur expenses in connection with mosquito control activities believed to be eligible for reimbursement under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the City Council of Rochester Hills authorizes and directs its Parks & Natural Resources Director, as agent for the City of Rochester Hills, to request reimbursement of eligible mosquito control activity under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program.

- 2026-0227** Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/GAR: Waiver of Section 2-271 of the Purchasing Ordinance; Sole Source Authorization for purchase of one (1) Thrust Boring Machine in the amount of \$50,980.56; Power Mole Trenchless and Utilitronics, Lancaster, New York

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Sole Source Letter.pdf](#)
[Quote.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0140-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby waives Section 2-271, the

requirements for competitive bidding, under Section 2-281, which allows City Council the authority to waive any regulation or procure pertaining to purchasing, deeming it to be in the best interest of the City.

Further Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council authorize the award for the Sole Source purchase of one (1) Thrust Boring Machine to Power Mole Trenchless and Utilitronics, Lancaster, New York, in the amount of \$50,980.56.

2026-0232 Request for Purchase Authorization - MIS: Purchase Authorization for the City's HPE (Hewlett Packard Enterprise) server and storage system support and software maintenance contract in the amount of \$35,950.00; Saitech, Inc., Fremont, CA

Attachments: [051126 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Bid Tabulation.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0141-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes the purchase for the City's HPE server and storage system support and software maintenance contract to Saitech, Inc., Fremont, California, in the amount of \$35,950.00.

Further Resolved, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Neubauer, seconded by Limberg, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Munglioli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

PUBLIC COMMENT for Items not on the Agenda

None.

LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Erin Sudrovech, Chief of Staff, provided the following updates on behalf of Mayor Barnett:

- A Water Use Restriction is in effect for all residents and businesses, while a Boil Water Alert is in place for residents and businesses in the northwest corner of the City. Residents can stay informed through rochesterhills.org, RHConnect, the City's social channels, and glwater.org.

- She expressed her gratitude to the City's residents for doing their part, and commended the efforts and leadership of Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, and Leon Luedeman, Water & Sewer Operations Manager. She added that the City distributed 900 individual gallons and 288 cases of water at their

water distribution site today.

- The Mayor's Right Down the Street podcast was featured on the front page of the Oakland Press and has exceeded over 10,000 downloads on Buzzsprout; its streaming platform. The next episode features the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

- The Art on Auburn 2 was installed recently in the Brooklands Plaza on Auburn Road. She thanked all of the artists and the volunteers from the Paint Creek Center of the Arts who helped with the latest effort to brighten up the park.

- Last week, the Mayor was invited to participate in a special ceremony at West Middle School, where the PTSA was presented with a national award from Walmart to support their teachers' lounge. She noted that this was part of Teacher Appreciation Week, and congratulated the school and their PTSA.

- The City's annual O.A.K. in the Hills event is this Saturday at Spencer Park. This is a free event presented in partnership with Oakland County Parks.

- May is Building Safety Month, and the Building Department is hosting a Meet Your Inspectors event on May 29th at Innovation Hills where people will be able to get their home improvement questions answered.

- A local group is coordinating an E Speaker Series, which will take place in the Adams High School Performing Arts Center this summer and fall. The fantastic lineup includes Mitch Albom, David Pogue, and Scott Hamilton. More information and tickets can be found at espeakerseries.com.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Dan Christ had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

2026-0231 Request for Approval of the Purchase Agreement for 884 N. Adams Road

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[Map.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Ken Elwert, Parks & Natural Resources Director, stated that this item has been negotiated over a considerable amount of time, and added that Mr. Warholak is in the audience tonight and that the City appreciates his time and collaboration. He shared that the property under consideration consists of five acres adjacent to Nowicki Park to the north, explaining that it would serve as a great buffer for the park. He detailed that the purchase is requested for \$775,000 and that the City has been working with the attorney on a draft purchase agreement that both parties find acceptable at this time. He noted that prior to closing, they would do a Phase One Environmental Site Assessment, which is standard for all City properties to ensure that there are no unexpected issues, and they would hope to close shortly after that. He also mentioned that while they did not budget for this item, the next budget amendment will account for it, and they will take from the \$1.4 million that is above the General Capital Fund Policy and would currently move into the Capital Fund.

President Carlock commented that it has been a long time and that he

believes this is a great move for the City to consider this purchase.

Vice President Mungoli thanked Mr. Elwert for bringing this item forward, and Mr. Warholak for allowing the City to add acreage to Nowicki Park. She also emphasized that the City has the finances to cover this purchase, and requested confirmation that there are no plans to construct any part of the park on the property at this time.

Mr. Elwert confirmed Vice President Mungoli's statement, explaining that there would be no way to add to the bid process and the current version of the park, which Council has already approved. He noted that any additions would be part of the CIP process.

A motion was made by Mungoli, seconded by Blair, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungoli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0142-2026

Resolved, the Rochester Hills City Council approves the Offer to Purchase / Purchase Agreement between Michael Warholak, as seller, and the City of Rochester Hills, as purchaser, for a 5.0-acre parcel of real property located at 884 N. Adams Road (Parcel ID 70-15-08-100-005), Rochester Hills, MI in the amount of \$775,000, as well as any associated Closing Fees, and further authorizes the Mayor to execute any and all necessary agreements to complete the purchase.

2026-0225 Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Contract/Blanket Purchase Order for replacement of the Livernois Fencing in the amount of \$351,583.00 with a 10% project contingency in the amount of \$35,158.30 for a total not-to-exceed project amount of \$386,741.30; Motor City Fencing, Rochester Hills, MI

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[Bid Tabulation.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, and **Chris Shepard**, Field Services Manager, were present.

Ms. Balint introduced Mr. Shepard, sharing that he has worked tirelessly on the Livernois Fence Replacement project. She explained that to modernize the infrastructure along Livernois Road, DPS recommends replacing the nearly 30-year-old obsolete fencing with durable, easily maintained Trex material, which is 95% recycled wood fibers and plastic. She added that the City followed the competitive bidding process, and Motor City Fencing was selected as the lowest and most responsible bidder.

Mr. Blair expressed his appreciation for the City's proactive posture in replacing this fencing, noting that he is familiar with the current fence and its issues. He added how excited he is that the vendor is located in Rochester Hills.

A motion was made by Blair, seconded by Neubauer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungiolli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0143-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a contract/blanket purchase order for replacement of the Livernois Fencing to Motor City Fencing, Rochester Hills, Michigan in the amount of \$351,583.00 with a 10% project contingency in the amount of \$35,158.30 for a total not-to-exceed project amount of \$386,741.30 and further authorizes the Procurement Manager to execute an agreement on behalf of the City.

Further Resolved, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

2024-0037 Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Increase to Contract/Blanket Purchase Order for underground utility repairs and related services in the amount of \$500,000.00 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,550,000.00 through January 31, 2027; Superior Excavating, Auburn Hills, MI; Aielli Construction Company, Inc., Shelby Township, MI

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[012224 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Tabulation.pdf](#)
[012224 Resolution.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, and **Chris Shepard**, Field Services Manager, were present.

Ms. Balint stated that a critical sewer failure on Stanford Circle occurred and that to maintain the rapid response for future infrastructure projects or concerns, DPS is requesting an increase to the existing underground utility repair contract. She specified that it will cost an estimated \$315,000 to make the repair on Stanford Circle, explaining that the road, the storm sewer, and multiple driveways need to be replaced. She continued that they reached out to Superior Excavating, who has worked with the City for many years and is on board to do the repair; however, the City needs to increase the blanket and is requesting an amount that will cover them through the end of the year in case another unexpected project arises. She added that they are continually monitoring the sanitary sewer system by televising, and they are putting together an ongoing Sewer Rehabilitation project but were unfortunately not aware of the current issue until they started televising.

President Carlock shared that the DPS crew came out to his house last year and told him that they needed to uncover the manhole in his front yard and run a TV down it. He noted that he thought the patch of lawn simply would not grow grass because there had been a tree there, and emphasized that manholes are everywhere.

Ms. Neubauer revealed that she brought this item to the City's attention because Stanford Circle is her street. She commented that the experience was traumatizing for her neighbors, and praised the City's quick response, especially given the water situation this week.

Mr. Blair thanked Ms. Balint for bringing this item forward, and questioned how the City plans for unexpected pipe failures.

Ms. Balint stated that this contract started over 10 years ago when DPS experienced an unexpected sewer collapse for which they were not prepared and had to come to City Council and request a couple hundred thousand dollars. She explained that ever since then, they have allocated money for this purpose, and noted that they sometimes pull the invoices they paid Aielli or Superior the prior year to analyze where the City stands. She pointed out that the City is very lucky that they have a company on call to perform these repairs, and added that they have had to use this contract every year for projects of varying size.

Mr. Blair voiced his belief that Rochester Hills handles underground utility repairs much better than their neighbors. He shared that his parents live in Bloomfield Township and have had to put \$50,000 into their drain tile and sump pumps because the city will not fix the storm sewers. He characterized Rochester Hills accountability and responsiveness as a testament to the devotion of their team, and thanked Ms. Balint for her hard work.

A motion was made by Blair, seconded by Mannino, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungiolli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0144-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes an increase to the Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for underground utility repairs and related services to Superior Excavating, Auburn Hills, Michigan as the primary vendor and Aielli Construction Company, Inc., Shelby Township, Michigan as the secondary vendor in the amount of \$500,000.00 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,550,000.00 through January 31, 2027.

2026-0222 Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Contract/Blanket Purchase Order for GIS Consulting Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00 through May 31, 2029; Cynerge Consulting, Pontiac, MI

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[Proposal Summary.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Tracey Balint, Interim DPS Director/City Engineer, and **Chris Shepard**, Field Services Manager, were present.

Ms. Balint shared that to maintain the security and operational integrity of the City's infrastructure data, DPS is requesting a contract be made with Cynerge Consulting of Pontiac to modernize the City's Geographic Information System (GIS) before its mandatory retirement in 2028. She explained that the City has a very strong but small GIS team that needs some additional assistance, and the multi-phase project under consideration focuses on upgrading the core platform architecture and developing a specialized "digital bridge" to ensure that the critical maintenance workflows for water, sewer, and roads continue without interruption. She added that Cynerge was unanimously selected from 18 respondents to the RFP, providing the best overall value and technical approach.

A motion was made by Neubauer, seconded by Mannino, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungoli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0145-2026

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a contract/blanket purchase order for GIS Consulting Services to Cynerge Consulting, Pontiac, Michigan in the not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000.00 through May 31, 2029 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute an agreement on behalf of the City.

Further Resolved, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2026-0171 Rescind Resolution RES0109-2026 passed at the April 13, 2026 Regular Meeting of City Council which placed the Fire Charter Millage Increase Ballot Language on the November 3, 2026 General Election Ballot and replace it with a revised Resolution to place the Fire Charter Millage Increase Ballot Language on the August 4, 2026 Primary Election Ballot

Attachments: [041326 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)
[Staffing Needs Assessment.pdf](#)
[Presentation.pdf](#)
[PSITRC Recommendation Resolution.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Redlined\).pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)
[SUPPL Presentation.pdf](#)

Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer, and **Todd Gary**, Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director, were present.

Ms. Neubauer stated that back in April, Clerk Scott submitted to the State the resolution that City Council passed to have the Fire Millage put on the November ballot, and the State responded in such a timely manner that the City now has an opportunity to put it on the August ballot. She shared that the City has not had an increase in the Fire Millage for a decade, and residents are suffering as a result of the staffing shortage. She explained that if the millage goes on the August ballot and passes, the Fire Department will have more time to recruit, enabling them to onboard new members sooner and minimize current staffing issues. She underscored her belief that it is City Council's duty to do anything they can to support the Fire Department and first responders, and made a motion to rescind paragraph six of the resolution passed at the April 13th City Council meeting and replace the November election date with the August election date. She cautioned that if the Fire Millage goes on the August ballot, there will be three millages on that ballot, and residents will need to look at the millages individually.

Vice President Mungoli encouraged residents who want more information

regarding the Fire Millage to watch the YouTube recording of the April 13th meeting or to find the Fire Department's presentation on the City's website. She shared that she would have preferred that this millage go on the November ballot, pointing out one of the millages on the August ballot will be large and have a significant "Vote No" effort, which could negatively impact the Fire Millage. She voiced her understanding that if the millage were to fail in August, the Fire Department would not be able to bring it back to voters for two years. She brought up concerns that this could lead to two years of potential staffing shortages, and requested explanation regarding why August would be better than November for the Fire Millage.

Clerk Scott confirmed Vice President Mungoli's understanding regarding the timeline to bring back a failed millage.

Chief Gary responded that from a Fire Department standpoint, August is better for a couple of reasons. He noted that this allows them more time to recruit individuals. He also shared that they are working with a company to submit a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant to pay for the 12 firefighters for the first three years. He explained that they have 30 days to accept the SAFER grant and then 180 days to hire those individuals, and all the grants are awarded by the end of September. He pointed out that if they wait until the November election to accept the grant, they will have to file for extensions, which may or may not be approved.

Mr. Snyder added that if the Fire Millage passes during the August election, which is August 4th, there would be enough time to include the new firefighters in the 2027 budget, which will be presented to City Council on August 11th. He explained that the budget and millage rates are passed at the last meeting in September, and millage rates must be submitted to Oakland County or the local counties by October 1st. He noted that if the millage is approved in November, the City could still amend the millage rate resolution, but there would be only one meeting to do so; the November 9th meeting. He emphasized that this would be an extremely quick turnaround and that putting the millage on the August ballot would remove a lot of the stress and uncertainty.

Vice President Mungoli acknowledged that there are risks either way, but stressed that the City cannot afford to put residents at risk for an additional two years given the significant increase in ambulance runs in the past year and a half. She expressed her support for Ms. Neubauer's motion.

Mr. Blair shared that he looked through the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and confirmed that for a house that costs about \$300,000 in the City, residents are paying about \$30 per month for fire services. He commented that this fantastic value for taxpayer money, as the City's Fire Department has arguably the best response time compared to most of the neighboring communities. He offered his support for the Fire Millage, and added that he is happy to help spread the word.

Mr. Snyder provided the reminder that City Council should educate, not advocate.

Ms. Mannino stated that she supports the Fire Millage but shares some of the concerns that Vice President Mungoli brought up; specifically, the other initiatives on the August ballot and the turnout level at the primary election. She emphasized that if they put the Fire Millage on the August ballot, there must be a very strong education program. She noted that she will ultimately go with the recommendation of Chief Gary and Mr. Snyder.

President Carlock requested that Erin Sudrovec, Chief of Staff, confirm with the administration that an education campaign is planned and that it will be presented to Council as soon as it is solidified.

Ms. Neubauer commented that she was hesitant to make this motion but that she relies on the expertise of the City's amazing department heads. She noted that nobody knows the needs of the Fire Department as well as the Fire Department, especially when it comes to servicing the City's ever-growing aging population and young children. She also called attention to the fact that the Fire Millage will go only to Rochester Hills residents and that the City's voters are well-educated.

Mr. Skelcy questioned whether the City can decide where on the ballot the Fire Millage will appear, pointing out that items listed at the top are often seen as the best.

Clerk Scott responded that they cannot do so.

President Carlock acknowledged that he shares some of the concerns of the other Council Members, but stressed that there is no perfect answer and that City Council is making this decision based on the best information they have at this moment. He commented that the Council Members all have different backgrounds and different interests at mind, but they share the need to ensure that public safety remains the number one priority.

A motion was made by Neubauer, seconded by Mungoli, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Carlock, Mungoli, Neubauer, Limberg, Mannino and Skelcy

Enactment No: RES0146-2026

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills desires to initiate a proposed amendment to subsection .4 of City Charter Sections 4.2, Charter Tax Rate and Special Voted Millages Limitation, to increase the amount the City may levy for funding of the Fire Department from 3.0 mills to 3.5 mills.

Therefore, the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills resolves:

1. The City Council, by a 3/5 vote of its members-elect, pursuant to the authority granted under the Home Rule Cities Act, MCL 117.1, et seq, proposes to amend the City of Rochester Hills Charter to amend subsection .4 of Charter Section 4.2, Charter Tax Rate and Special Voted Millages Limitation.
2. Provisions of existing Section 4.2 to be amended if the proposed amendment is adopted now read as follows:

Section 4.2 Charter tax rate and special voted millages limitation

.1 The annual ad valorem tax levy shall be sufficient to provide funding to adequately cover only budgeted expenditures for the fiscal year but in no case shall the levy exceed five-tenths of one percent (5/10 of 1%) or five (5) mills of the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City, except for tax levies authorized in subsections .2 through .7 of this Section. This maximum levy shall be known and referred to as the Charter Tax Rate Limit of the City and shall be subject to all provisions of the Constitution of the State of Michigan and the statutes pertaining thereto.

.2 The City may levy such amounts as are required for the payment of principal and interest on outstanding bonds of the City.

.3 The City shall levy special voted millages currently in effect authorized by the electors of the Charter Township of Avon in the amounts and for the duration authorized, as follows: Up to 0.5 mills for road chloride and repair through the year 1986 inclusive (approved by the electors on August 7, 1980).

Up to 1 mill for police purposes through the year 1993 inclusive (approved by the electors on August 8, 1974).

Up to 0.25 mills for older persons activities and general community recreation, such as the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority, through the year 1985 inclusive (approved by the electors on August 4, 1976).

Up to 0.25 mills for older persons transportation activities and services through the year 1991 inclusive (approved by the electors on August 10, 1982).

.4 The City may levy up to 3.0 mills for funding of the Fire Department.

.5 The City shall levy up to 1 mill for library purposes, pursuant to Public Act No. 164 of 1877 (MCL 397.201 et seq., MSA 15.1661 et seq.), as amended.

.6 The City may levy such taxes as may be authorized by statute to be made beyond the Charter Tax Rate limit.

.7 The City may levy taxes for general purposes or for any specially designated purpose for a stated period of time not to exceed twenty (20) years, if approved by a majority of the registered electors voting on the proposition. Such election may be authorized by a majority vote of the Council or shall be called if an initiatory petition is filed as described in Sections 2.9 through 2.13 of this Charter. Where any special tax levy shall be approved by the electorate for a specially designated purpose, such funds shall not be used for other than the designated purpose, and all interest accruing on the investment of such funds shall be credited to that fund and not to the general fund of the City.

3. As amended, Section 4.2 of the City of Rochester Hills Charter would read as follows:

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4. The purpose of the proposed Charter amendment shall be stated on the ballot as follows:

A proposal to amend the City Charter by modifying Section 4.2, subsection .4. This subsection authorizes the City to levy up to 3.0 mills for funding the Fire Department. Required millage rollbacks have reduced this to 2.7798 mills. If adopted, the charter amendment will increase the amount the City may levy for funding the Fire Department to 3.5 mills, which, if levied in full, will raise an estimated \$5,039,970 in additional revenue in the first year.

5. The City Clerk shall forthwith transmit a copy of the proposed amendment to the Governor of the State of Michigan for the Governor's approval, and transmit a copy of the foregoing statement of purpose of the proposed Charter amendment to the Michigan Attorney General for the Attorney General's approval, as required by law.

6. The proposed Charter amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this City at the general election to be held in the City of Rochester Hills on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice of the election and notice of registration therefore in the manner prescribed by law and to do all things and to provide all supplies necessary to submit the proposed Charter amendment to a vote of the electors as required by law.

7. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the following form:

**PROPOSED CITY CHARTER AMENDMENT
TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL MILLAGE
FOR FUNDING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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Shall the City Charter be amended to authorize the City to levy up to 3.5 mills for funding the Fire Department?

Yes ☐

No ☐

8. The proposed Charter amendment shall be published in full together with the existing Charter provision that will be altered or abrogated thereby as part of the election notice not less than 10 days prior to the election.

9. The canvass and determination of the votes on the proposed Charter amendment shall be made in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan and the City of Rochester Hills Charter.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- Regular Meeting - Monday - June 8, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Council, it was moved by Neubauer and seconded by Mungoli to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

*JASON CARLOCK, President
Rochester Hills City Council*

*LEANNE SCOTT, MMC, Clerk
City of Rochester Hills*

*EMMA BOWEN
Administrative Coordinator
City Clerk's Office*

Approved as presented at the June 8, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting.