



Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

Rochester Hills Government Youth Council

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Marvie Neubauer, City Council Liaison; Erin McKay Mims, Youth Council Liaison*

Wednesday, January 7, 2026

6:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present 15 - Janelle Hayes, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim, Dev Shah, Mohammad Uzair and Andrew Thomas

Excused 1 - Kishyo Giri

Absent 1 - Eliza Pizzuti

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Hayes and seconded by Joshi.

Motion carries.

Ayes 15 - Janelle Hayes, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim, Dev Shah, Mohammad Uzair and Andrew Thomas

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2026-0006 December 10, 2025 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Special Meeting Minutes.

Attachments: [12-10-25 Special Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Resolved, that the December 10, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Mayor Barnett spoke to the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council and explained his role as Mayor and more information about the City of Rochester Hills.

Dais Reports:

- Isabella Blakeley 12/15/2025: swearing in firefighters and EMT's, celebrated Chad Anderson (Mr. Tennis), Senator Webber came in and gave a legislative update, 31% increase in road funding, public hearing (19% lower budget for this fiscal year), Nowicki Park will be paid for without debt, 59 million allocated for roads, last city council meeting of the year.

Committee Reports and Updates:

- Planning Commission 12/9/2025 (Oliver Blakeley): project to remove a house where the homeowner was not wanting to sell, wanted the area to go to a condominium complex, but it was a problem because it was on wetlands, which would cause drainage issues. Not enough play places, stop signs, other problems. The vote did pass with a unanimous vote. Moving to council on January 12th.

- Sister City 12/9/2025 (Eliza Pizzuti): MOVED TO NEXT MEETING

- RARA 12/17/2025 (Rochester Avon Recreation Authority, Janelle Hayes): Went over the November meeting minute, list of bills, monthly budget. RARA had a holiday party. Their E-Sports company is switching owners, scholarship fund is up to 125 members but has 11k left. Parents night out and it sold out twice in a row. Early registration is opening for summer camps in February. Considering changing the inter local agreement to receive grants from Michigan. The master plan was presented and approved.

- AYA 12/18/2025 (Avondale Youth Assistance, Brennan Deel): Bonus was given out during the meeting, the Scrooge production was seen, and they had a drive for used clothes/shoes.

- GreenSpace 12/9/2025 (Mohammed Uzair and Dev Shah): A big update coming up soon for Greenspace.

Updates from Erin McKay Mims

- *Reminder on Informing for events/ meetings Quorum rule*
- *Mid year presentation idea- Date is 2/9/2026*
- *Special Meeting date to prepare for our event on 1/21/2026 from 6-8pm at City Hall.*
- *Appraisals in February*
- *Dates for the Cultural Fair April 18 or April 25. The date will be confirmed at the next meeting.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- *The Souper-bowl Party planning and discussion.*

NEW BUSINESS

It was motioned by Wang and seconded by Hayes to approve the January-August 2026 Dais Assignments.

This motion carries.

Ayes 15 - Janelle Hayes, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim, Dev Shah, Mohammad Uzair and Andrew Thomas

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2026-0007 Assignment of the 2025-2026 RHGYC Members to City Council Regular Meetings for January 2026 through August 2026.

Attachments: [City Council Meeting Participation.pdf](#)
[City Council Regular Meeting Calendar 2026.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

Resolved, the following 2025-2026 RHGYC members are assigned to City Council Regular Meetings for January 2026 through August 2026.

Location: 1000 Rochester Hills Drive

Date	Time	Meeting Body	Youth Council Member
1/12/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Sasha Joshi
1/26/2025	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Saachi Dahanukar
2/9/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Andrew Thomas
2/23/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Jueon Kim
3/9/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Lucas DiGrande
3/23/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Mohammed Uzair
4/13/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Brennan Deel

4/27/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Siddh Sheth
5/11/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Janelle Hayes
6/8/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Eliza Pizzuti
6/22/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Oliver Blakeley
7/13/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Janelle Hayes
7/27/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Mohammed Uzair
8/10/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Seo-Yun Woo
8/24/2026	7:00 PM	City Council Regular Meeting	Christina Wang

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- *Evaluations at the February Regular Meeting*
- *Second Term Elections at the February Regular Meeting*
- *Option for Legislative Day 2/6/2026 or 2/17/2026?*
- *Special Meeting for Wednesday, January 21, 2026 here at City Hall, a work session to ensure we have all items and can pack up for the event on Saturday, January 31, 2026.*

Motioned by Janelle and seconded by Drew to approve a Special Meeting on Wednesday, January 21

This Motion Carries.

Ayes 15 - Janelle Hayes, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim, Dev Shah, Mohammad Uzair and Andrew Thomas

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NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Special Meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 6pm at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council, it was moved by Wang and seconded by O. Blakeley to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm.