



Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

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

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

6:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Joshi called the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Regular meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 15 - Janelle Hayes, Eliza Pizzuti, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Kishyo Giri, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim and Dev Shah
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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February 4, 2026 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

Attachments: [RHGYC Min 020426.pdf](#)
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

It was moved by Hayes and seconded by Giri.

Motion passes.

Resolved, that the February 4, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as presented/amended.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Technical Review Committees:

- No update

Dais Updates:

Drew Thomas 2/9/2026

- Brand new park arriving
- Fixing local roads
- City Budget update
- Big projects are emphasized

Jueon Kim 2/23/2026

- Promotional activities OPC, April activities coming up
- Mark Tisdell talked about the smart phone ban, first bill passed in 2026
- Age restriction of apps is a bill in progress with factual evidence basis
- Smartphone restriction for age

- Zoning issues arose: biggest attack on housing for local government, Tisdell would like to introduce New Rewards Project
- Data Centers: For AI, suspending current ones to study the definition in future

Website Review for the Fiscal Department:

- Please Ensure you complete the feedback requested from the Rochester Hills Financial Engagement Site

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2026 Cultural Fair
Saturday, April 18, 2026
12pm-3pm
Rochester Christian University Alumni Center

- Overview of the Cultural Fair- The Spreadsheet is live and ready to go.
- Want to be efficient with time, considering elections
- A lot of representatives for the event to be well rounded
- Striving to complete multiple tasks by the end of March

- Cultural Fair Committee Teams have been assembled

Food Team:

Bella Blakeley- Lead
Oliver Blakeley
Dev Shah

UPDATES:

- Contacted almost every place at least one, PF Chang's (backup)
- Focus on local businesses; 8 total businesses are interested
- Contact new businesses, middle-eastern cafes are opened (promo opportunities)
- Most calls already finished for the first round of contact: Thai Inn confirmed

Prizes Team:

Yuna Woo- Lead
Saachi Dahanukar
Jack Deel

UPDATES:

- Contact Edge for prizes
- Multiple raffles, larger prizes
- Finding business that were willing to donate baskets
- Added personal connection donations and new businesses in general

Performances Team:

*Eliza Pizzuti- Lead
Janelle Hayes
Mohammed Uzair*

UPDATES:

- Focus on interactive performances*
- Eight returning people already interested and confirmed*
- Timings need to be confirmed: How many performances are necessary;
last year 12
people, varying timings*
- A few more performances still needed*

Sponsorship Team:

*Siddh Sheth- Lead
Lucas DiGrande
Christina Wang*

UPDATES:

- Spreadsheet has most of the information*
- Preferring contacting the companies that have personal connections
early on*
- One confirmed sponsorship*

Vendor Team:

*Sasha- Lead
Kishyo Giri
Brennan Deel
Jueon Kim*

UPDATES:

- Booths: focus on interactive booths (henna), tea table, turban time, grow
on more*
- Bring back french NHS people- the layout should work better for them*
- Calligraphy opportunities, schools, clubs, etc.*
- Stoney German and Chinese NHS, confirmed and interactive activities*

Alumni Center Location:

- Better space for changing rooms- classrooms*
- Possible sections: emphasis on signs, will need more signage from
DPS*

- Lobby area (less seating)- Food

- Work session for the Cultural Fair- Take about 30-40 minutes to develop a plan
- School clubs: limiting to certain groups, stricter schedule and not too many

NEW BUSINESS

- There will be additional special meetings in March to prepare for the Cultural Fair. We are looking at the dates of Wednesday, March 11, 18 and April 8 and April 15.
- Work sessions and updates mainly

- Please plan to attend these Special Meetings as they will be work sessions for the Cultural fair to check in and prepare items before the event.
Moved by Saachi seconded by Bella

Motion Passes.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Special Meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Rochester Hills Government Youth Council, it was moved by Woo and seconded by Wang to adjourn the meeting at 7:29.

Motion Passes.

- Present** 16 - Janelle Hayes, Eliza Pizzuti, Siddh Sheth, Seo-Yun Woo, Brennan Deel, Jackson Deel, Kishyo Giri, Isabella Blakeley, Lucas DiGrande, Sasha Joshi, Christina Wang, Oliver Blakeley, Saachi Dahanukar, Jueon Kim, Dev Shah and Andrew Thomas
- Excused** 1 - Mohammad Uzair