



Minutes of the regular meeting of the Rochester-Olmsted Council of Governments held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, **April 29, 2026** in Conference Room 186 located at 2122 Campus Drive S.E., Rochester, MN 55904.

Members Present:

- Mr. Brian Mueller, (Chair) County Commissioner
- Mr. Gregg Wright, County Commissioner
- Ms. Diana Connelly, Townships
- Mr. Bob Hopkins, County Commissioner
- Mr. Steve Cook, Small Cities
- Mr. Bill Schimmel, Small Cities
- Mr. Dave Iseminger, Small Cities
- Mr. Nick Miller, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Patrick Keane, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Randy Schubring, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Frank Merchant, Townships
- Mr. Randy Reimer, Community Representative
- Mr. Dustin Morrow, School District #535

Members Absent:

- Ms. Kim Norton, City of Rochester
- Mr. Shaun Palmer, Rochester City Council

Staff Present via Conference Room 186:

- Ms. Allison Sosa, ROCOG Executive Director
- Mr. Jarrett Hubbard, Principal Planner
- Ms. Karli McElroy, Principal Planner
- Ms. Beth Davis, Executive Support Supervisor

Staff Present via CR 186:

- Mr. Ben Johnson, Olmsted County Public Works Director
- Mr. Sam Budznya, Rochester City Traffic Engineer
- Mr. Kurt Wayne, MnDOT
- Mr. Dillon Dombrowski, Rochester City Engineer

Others Present via Microsoft Teams:

- Mr. Greg Paulson, MnDOT District 6 ADE Program Delivery
- Mr. Randy Staver, Rochester Township

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mr. Mueller, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

Mr. Miller moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Keane seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

Adoption of Resolution 26-07 – approving a formal amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) to increase the cost of Project #159-080-022: 18th Avenue SW Road Reconstruction in Rochester

Mr. Hubbard presented his memo which is on file at the Olmsted County Planning Department and attached to the official meeting packet on the meeting portal. Discussion included intersection design and access changes from Mayowood Road and local streets (Glenwood Heights neighborhood).

Mr. Keane moved to approve Resolution 26-07. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adoption of Resolution 26-08 – approving a Formal amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add new Project #5509-93 for signal System installation in Stewartville

Mr. Hubbard presented his memo which is on file at the Olmsted County Planning Department and attached to the official meeting packet on the meeting portal. His memo and presentation discussed for the new project of installing a signal system at the intersection of Schumann Drive and US 63 (project #5509-93), with input from representatives of the City of Rochester, Olmsted County, MnDOT, and Stewartville.

Mr. Merchant moved to approve Resolution 26-08. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adoption of Resolution 26-09 – approving the Proposed Functional Classification Changes with the ROCOG Planning area.

Ms. McElroy presented her memo which is on file at the Olmsted County Planning Department and attached to the official meeting packet on the meeting portal. Her memo and presentation discussed:

Mr. Merchant moved to approve Resolution 26-09. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Title VI Plan Update – Ms. Goslee resented the routine update to ROCOG's Title VI plan, explaining the merging of Title VI and public participation documents, the requirements for federal funding, and the plan's components, including demographic surveys and language access, with the board informed of next steps.

Northwest Expansion and Transportation (NEXT) Plan Update – Ms. McElroy provided an overview of the Northwest Expansion and Transportation Study, detailing the study area, deliverables, funding, and coordination with local agencies, and addressed questions about committee representation, scope, and integration with other planning efforts.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Keane seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m. by roll call vote.

_____ Brian Mueller, ROCOG Chair

_____ Allison Sosa, ROCOG Executive Director

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