



Minutes of the regular meeting of the Rochester-Olmsted Council of Governments held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, **June 24, 2026** in Conference Room 171 located at 2117 Campus Drive S.E., Rochester, MN 55904.

Members Present:

- Mr. Brian Mueller, (Chair) County Commissioner
- Mr. Shaun Palmer, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Bob Hopkins, County Commissioner
- Mr. Bill Schimmel, Small Cities
- Mr. Dave Iseminger, Small Cities
- Mr. Nick Miller, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Patrick Keane, Rochester City Council
- Ms. Kim Norton, City of Rochester
- Mr. Randy Reimer, Community Representative
- Ms. Shelly Rohe, Community Representative

Members Absent:

- Ms. Diana Connelly, Townships
- Mr. Gregg Wright, County Commissioner
- Mr. Steve Cook, Small Cities
- Mr. Frank Merchant, Townships
- Mr. Randy Schubring, Rochester City Council
- Mr. Dustin Morrow, School District #535

Staff Present via Conference Room 171:

- 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 171:

- Mr. Ben Johnson, Olmsted County Public Works Director
- Mr. Kurt Wayne, MnDOT
- Mr. Dillon Dombrovski, Rochester City Engineer

Others Present via Microsoft Teams:

- Mr. Greg Paulson, MnDOT District 6 ADE Program Delivery
- Ms. Emma Diercks, Communications
- Ms. Sandi Goslee, Principal Planner
- Mr. Nick Sanford, Traffic Engineer
- Ms. Allison Bosco, Senior Planner
- Mr. Matt Lynch, City of Rochester-Administration
- Mr. Sam Budzuna, City of Rochester Traffic Engineer
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ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Mr. Mueller, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

New Member, Shelly Rohe, was introduced as the citizen representative. Round the table introductions were made.

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

ACTION ITEMS:

Adopting Resolution 26-10 – Proposed functional classification changes for CSAH 44 (60th Avenue NW) and 65th Street NW

Ms. McElroy led the discussion on two functional classification change requests for CSAH 44 (60th Ave. NW) and 65th St. NW, with input from Olmsted County, City of Rochester, and the Policy Board, resulting in approval to reclassify these corridors based on updated traffic data and connectivity needs).

Mr. Iseminger moved to approve Resolution 26-10. Mr. Schimmel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Authorize ROCOG to execute a contract with Bolton & Menk for completion of the Northwest Expansion and Transportation (NEXT) Study

Ms. McElroy and Mr. Hubbard outlined the study's scope, consultant selection and engagement plans for agencies and landowners in Olmsted County and surrounding jurisdictions.

Mr. Palmer moved to authorize a contract with Bolton & Menk for completion of the Northwest Expansion and Transportation (NEXT) Study. Mr. Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

ROCOG Mid-year Review - 2026 – Ms. Sosa presented a mid-year review of ROCOG's Unified Planning Work Program, detailing federal and state requirements, budget status, ongoing studies, and technology projects, with input from the Policy Board on consultant usage and budget amendment.

Next ROCOG Meeting – July 22, 2026

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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