

OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION JUNE 5, 2025

MEETING of the **OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION** held at the OPC Social & Activity Center, 650 Letica Drive, Rochester, Oakland County, Michigan 48307.

CALL TO ORDER

The Thursday, June 5, 2025, Governing Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Walker at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7) Stuart Bikson, Robin Buxar, Thomas Del Pup, Al Fisk, Carol Morlan, Micheline Sommers, David Walker

Absent: 1) Tracy Thompson

QUORUM PRESENT

Others Present: Renee Cortright, Older Persons' Commission Executive Director
Mandy Mullins, Older Persons' Commission Deputy Director

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

MOTION by Buxar, seconded by Del Pup, **Resolved**, to approve the Agenda as presented.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 1) Thompson

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Several public comments were received regarding overcrowded Fitness and Aquatic classes, with an emphasis on giving residents priority during registration.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 6, 2025, REGULAR MEETING

MOTION by Sommers, seconded by Buxar, **Resolved**, to approve the Minutes of the March 6, 2025, meeting, as presented.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 1) Thompson

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the Revised Employee Manual

E.D. Cortright consulted with legal counsel Mark Filipp of the Kemp Klein Law Firm to revise the Employee Manual, making it more concise while ensuring compliance with federal and state regulations. Additions include procedures for vetting new employees who drive OPC vehicles, a Code of Conduct Policy, and updates reflecting new federal and state laws, including the Sick Time Act. She requested approval of the revised Employee Manual.

MOTION by Del Pup, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to approve the revised Employee Manual, effective June 5, 2025.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

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Nay: 1) Thompson
Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

Annual Exemption from Public Act 152 for Benefit Year 2025-2026

E.D. Cortright requested renewal of OPC's exemption to the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act 152, drafted by Thomas Boyer, Attorney, in December of 2011 for benefit year 2025-2026.

MOTION by Del Pup, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to approve the renewal of the Resolution of OPC's Exemption to the Publicly Funded Act 152, for benefit year 2025-2026.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker
Nay: 1) Thompson
Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation of FY 2026 – 2028 Budget and Approval of a Public Hearing

Deputy Director Mullins presented the FY 2026 – 2028 Older Persons' Commission Executive Director's Recommended Budget, reviewing the Budget Highlights, General and Transportation Fund recommendations, and Capital Improvement Plan. She requested a Public Hearing and a resolution to approve the Recommended Budget at the June 26, 2025, meeting.

MOTION by Buxar, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to hold a Public Hearing on the FY 2026 – 2028 Older Persons' Commission Executive Director's Recommended Budget, at the June 26, 2025, meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker
Nay: 1) Thompson
Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E.D. Cortright reported the following:

- Update on facility renovations: Macomb Mechanical has been retained to replace the final 9 HVAC units in October, 2025. The intercom system is up and running.
- Transportation update: The cut-over to the QRYde dispatch software was June 1 and is already creating efficiencies over the old software. The *Navigating Public Transit in the Great Rochester Area* presentations on April 7 were well attended, giving participants information on SMART and OPC systems, tips on Google Maps, SMART Flex apps and Token Transit for seamless trip booking. Three new Ford Transit Vans were added to the fleet in May.
- Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority's net asset distribution to OPC is \$43,908. The State Pool Loss Fund distribution has not been determined. OPC has been a member since 1986 and has received over \$1,000,000 from the Net Asset Distribution Fund.

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- April/May/June Events include:
 - Top Chef Event was a huge success. Congratulation to the winners: Best Appetizer – Waltonwood Lakeside; Best Dinner – StoryPoint Clinton Township; Best Dessert & People's Choice Award – Waltonwood Main.
 - The 650 Players, "It's About Time" Variety Show was enjoyed by 500+ attendees.
 - OPC University, in partnership with Oakland University, inaugural class celebrated their final A.I. class on May 22, and walked away with an abundance of knowledge including a certificate from OU in A.I. studies. More class offerings in the fall.
 - OPC's wonderful volunteers were recognized with a week-long celebration April 28 – May 3.
 - Shred-It Day, sponsored by Pixley Funeral Homes, had over 300 cars dropping of items to be shredded, all within an hour, raising over \$750 for Meals on Wheels.
 - The 5K Walk/Run for Meals is June 7. Over 330 individuals are registered and this year also includes a pancake breakfast.
 - The Summer Soiree is June 20. The theme this year is "Caribbean Calypso" with music from the Island Guys and food from Kruse & Muer. We are finalizing the invite, raffle, program booklet and signage. Soiree Sponsors include: Controller Technologies (Presenting Sponsor); Henry Ford Rochester (Dinner sponsor); Modetz Family Funeral Home (Dessert Sponsor); Cedarbrook (Champagne Reception); Pixley Funeral Home (Auction Sponsor); Chief Financial Credit Union (Entertainment); Tom & Angie DelPup (Décor Sponsor); Supporting Sponsors are American House, Greater Rochester Community Foundation, Soave Enterprises and Macomb Mechanical.
- OPC was recently awarded \$90,000, from an AgeWays Grant to enhance the congregate dining program, which will go toward the purchase of new chairs in the dining room, patio furniture and an updated sound system for the dining room.
- Three Strategic Plan areas were completed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Treasurer Del Pup reported the committee met to review the proposed Budget, recommending changes and additions.

Facility Committee – Vice-Chairman Sommers stated the Committee met and reviewed changes to the capital budget.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner's comments were given.

Chairman Walker requested at the June 25, 2025, meeting an Agenda item to discuss residents vs. nonresidents and membership statistics.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Walker requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

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Aye: 7) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Morlan, Sommers, Walker
Nay: 1) Thompson
Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING – THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025, AT 5:00 P.M.

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