

OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION NOVEMBER 6, 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, November 6, 2025, Governing Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Walker at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 8) Stuart Bikson, Robin Buxar, Thomas Del Pup, Al Fisk, James Gill, Carol Morlan, Micheline Sommers, David Walker

Absent: 0)

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 Morlan, **Resolved**, to approve the Agenda as presented.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Walker called for public comment on items not listed on the agenda. Six members addressed the Board. Comments included concerns regarding the cleanliness of the locker rooms and pool deck, the need for a mission statement, a project manager and a communication and master plan. Additional concerns were expressed about transparency and member seating priorities for programs.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2025, REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Walker called for public comment on the agenda item. One member requested the meeting minutes be made available when the agenda is posted, prior to approval.

MOTION by Bikson, seconded by Sommers, **Resolved**, to approve the Minutes of the September 4, 2025, meeting, as presented.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

Chairman Walker directed the draft minutes be posted on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

2026 Building Closures

E.D. Cortright presented the 2026 Building Closures.

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MOTION by Morlan, seconded by Buxar, **Resolved**, to approve the 2026 Building Closures, as presented.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

2026 Meeting Schedule

Chairman Walker presented the 2026 Proposed Meeting Schedule, noting that several Commissioners will be replaced in 2026.

MOTION by Morlan, seconded by Del Pup, to approve the 2026 Meeting Schedule, as presented.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

Public Transportation Agreement between Older Persons' Commission and Oakland County

E.D. Cortright stated that the agreement, reviewed by legal counsel, is for a one-year term. She noted that a longer, five-year agreement is proposed for next year once the Oakland County Transit Plan is approved. She requested approval of the one-year agreement.

MOTION by Buxar, seconded by Del Pup, **Resolved**, to move that the Rochester Hills – Oakland – Rochester Older Persons' Commission Board approves the Public Transportation Agreement Between Rochester Hills – Oakland – Rochester Older Persons' Commission and Oakland County for service year 2026.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E.D. Cortright reported the following:

- Facility updates included the replacement of the therapy pool boiler, the status of the new Yoga/Pilates studio project, and wiring installation in preparation for the new HVAC units.
- Successful events in September and October included:
 - Annual Picnic – 350 attendees
 - Food Truck Rally – 1,000 attendees
 - Flu Shot Clinic – 90 vaccinations administered
 - 50+ Expo – 900 participants, 90 vendors and 15 sponsors
 - "Dames at Sea" 650 Players Fall Show – 881 attendees, 38 cast & crew 74 volunteers.

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- OPC hosted 70 individuals from the Michigan Association of Senior Centers on November 5.
- OPC's Giving Campaign will be mailed by the end of November to over 27,000, 50+ households in the three communities and nonresident members. The mailing will include statistics from the last fiscal year, along with photos and testimonials from members.
 - Nutrition prepared and served 104,092 meals
 - Transportation provided 56,751 rides
 - Supportive Services 8,834 units of service
 - Fitness & Aquatics and Programs & Arts engaged 246,056 people (duplicated)
- Holiday activities include the Rochester Area Hometown Christmas Parade on December 7, and delivery of 330 poinsettias to Meals on Wheels clients, courtesy of Mike and Christine Nicholson in honor of their parent's legacy. Local Girl Scout troops and Adams High School National Honor Society students will deliver Holiday Baskets to 100 homebound seniors. Senior Resources is coordinating leaf raking for all three communities and snow removal for seniors in Rochester Hills and Oakland Township.
- Upcoming OPC events include:
 - Artisan Market – November 8
 - Thanksgiving Luncheon – November 19
 - Giving Tuesday – December 2
 - Grandparent Swim – January 2, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Treasurer Del Pup reported that the committee met on November 3, and reviewed the Income Statement and Balance Sheet, noting that financials appear very strong.

Facility Committee – Vice-Chairman Sommers reported on building improvements, the updated bus wash and the new chairs and patio furniture that was purchased as part of a grant award from Ageways.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner's comments were given.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Walker requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m.

MOTION by Buxar, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: 8) Bikson, Buxar, Del Pup, Fisk, Gill, Morlan, Sommers, Walker

Nay: 0)

Absent: 0)

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026, AT 5:00 P.M.

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