

OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION JUNE 4, 2026

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 4, 2026, Governing Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bikson at 5:13 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7) Stuart Bikson, Al Fisk, James Gill, Diana Mannino, Carol Morlan,
Theresa Mungoli, Micheline Sommers

Absent: 1) Robin Buxar

QUORUM PRESENT

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

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - none

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Bikson opened the floor for public comment on items not on the agenda. Two members addressed the Board. One requested publication of the Strategic Plan, while another expressed concern about the progress made on previously identified issues.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 5, 2026, REGULAR MEETING

MOTION by Sommers, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to approve the Minutes of the March 5, 2026, meeting, as presented.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Fisk, Gill, Mannino, Morlan, Mungoli, Sommers

Nay: 0)

Absent: 1) Buxar

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resident/Nonresident Policy Discussion

Chairman Bikson opened the floor for public comment. Four members spoke on the topics of the Resident/Nonresident Policy, resident tax contributions and nonresident fees, café coffee prices, and complexity of the enrollment process.

In response to questions that had been raised, Chairman Bikson stated that the OPC Board has the legal authority to establish policies, provided they are in agreement with state law. He stated that Board adopted policies do not require approval from the municipalities and that the Board has final decision-making authority on such matters. Chairman Bikson further stated that the Resident/Nonresident Policy adopted by the Board in 2004 was legal and that the ballot proposals are consistent with policies established by the OPC Board.

Chairman Bikson stated that the Governing Board completed its review of the legality of the Resident/Nonresident Policy, and recommended maintaining the current policy for 2026.

He added that Administration will monitor class registrations, residents and waitlists throughout the year to evaluate whether the addition of programs and instructors continues to address class availability concerns.

Chairman Bikson also stated that the Board will revisit the Resident/Nonresident Policy in June 2027 and make a determination based on the data presented by Administration. Administration will provide quarterly reports to the Board publicly, on these efforts.

E.D. Cortright will forward a template to the Board outlining the statistical information that can be gathered from the database system.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of the FY2027 – 2029 Budget and Approval of a Public Hearing

Chairman Bikson opened the floor for public comments. Two members inquired about the budget and the purpose of reserve funds.

Deputy Director, Mandy Mullins, presented the 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 25, 2026, meeting.

MOTION by Mungioli, seconded by Morlan, **Resolved**, to hold a Public Hearing for the FY2027 – 2029 Older Persons' Commission Executive Director's Recommended Budget, at the June 25, 2026, meeting.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Fisk, Gill, Mannino, Morlan, Mungioli, Sommers

Nay: 0)

Absent: 1) Buxar

MOTION CARRIED

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E.D. Cortright reported the following:

- Facility Renovation Update:
 - Macomb Mechanical installed 9 HVAC units in April.
- Transportation Update:
 - OPC was awarded two electric Ford Transit Vans through a SEMCOG grant with possession of the vehicles later this year.
- March/April/May/June Events:
 - The Caregiving 101 Workshop, facilitated by Kerri Gentry, Adult Day Service Manager, was a success with over 70 individuals/caregivers in attendance. It provided a wonderful opportunity for attendees to connect with other caregivers, learn valuable caregiving tools and realize they are not alone on their caregiving journey.
 - The Top Chef Foodie Event was a huge success. Congratulation to the winners: Best Appetizer – Pomeroy Living; Best Entrée: Waltonwood

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- Lakeside; Best Dessert: Waltonwood Main and People's Choice Award – Cedarbrook.
- April 27 – May 2, OPC's volunteers were recognized with a week-long celebration.
 - On April 28, the incredible OPC Team was recognized with dinner, an overview of accomplishments in 2025 and milestones for 20 employees of 5, 10, 15, 20, 28 and 30 years of service. Of the 117 employees, 66 have been with OPC 4 years or less and 51 with 5 years and over.
 - 650 Players, "Positively Broadway" variety show was enjoyed by 980+ attendees. Special recognition to Marianne McCauley, Enrichment & Arts Program Manager, for the coordination of this amazing show.
 - The Parkinson's Workshop was attended by 180 individuals who appreciated the opportunity to hear from Dr. Peter LeWitt, a movement specialist with Henry Ford and neurologist with Wayne State University.
 - Shred-it Day, sponsored by Pixley Funeral Homes, had over 300 cars dropping off items to be shredded, all within an hour, raising over \$600 for Meals on Wheels.
 - The 5K Walk/Run for Meals, which now includes a pancake breakfast, is June 6 with over 330 individuals registered.
 - The Summer Soiree "Feelin' Groovy" is June 19 with music from the 60's, 70s and 80's and food from Kruse & Muer.
- The Ageways Nutrition Services Application for FY2027-2029 was submitted on May 29. This comprehensive process is completed in two phases. More updates when the award letters are received.
 - OPC News U Can Use:
 - 2,800,000 meals were prepared, served and delivered over the past 22 years by the Nutrition Department
 - 480,000 rides provided in the last 10 years by the Transportation Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Commissioner Morlan stated that the committee met to review the budget and had their questions answered. She thanked Administration for the detailed information provided.

Facility Committee – none

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner's comments were given.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bikson requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm.

MOTION by Mungioli, seconded by Sommers, **Resolved**, to adjourn the meeting.

Aye: 7) Bikson, Fisk, Gill, Mannino, Morlan, Mungioli, Sommers

Nay: 0)

Absent: 1) Buxar

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, JUNE 25, AT 5:00 P.M.

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