OAKLAND COUNTY MICHIGAN

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12 East, Pontiac, MI 48341

# Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee

Yolanda Smith Charles, Chair

June 3, 2026 at 9:30 AM

## MINUTES

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
   Chair Yolanda Smith Charles called the meeting of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee to order at 09:37 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. **Roll Call**
   **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert (7)

   **MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE:** (0)

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   William Miller led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

   a. **Board of Commissioners - dated May 13, 2026**
   William Miller III moved **approval of the Minutes dated May 13, 2026, as presented**. Seconded by Linnie Taylor.

   **Motion Passed.**

   Vote Summary (7-0-0)
   Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
   No: None
   Abstain: None

5. **Approval of Agenda**
   William Miller III moved **approval of the agenda, as presented**. Seconded by Gwen Markham.

   **Motion Passed.**

   Vote Summary (7-0-0)
   Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert

No: None
Abstain: None

6. **Public Comment**
None

7. **Communications**

    a. **Aviation - Airport Committee Meeting Minutes, March 4, 2026**

    b. **Economic Development - Workforce Development - American Rescue Plan Skilled and Educated Workforce Quarterly Report through December 31, 2025**

    c. **Executive's Office - Monthly Reports - Pontiac Redevelopment Project**

    d. **Economic Development - Monthly Report - Oakland Thrive**

    e. **Board of Commissioners - Applications for 2026 Local Road Improvement Program**
    Philip Weipert moved to **receive and file the attached Communications**. Seconded by Robert Smiley.

    **Motion Passed.**

    Vote Summary (7-0-0)
    Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
    No: None
    Abstain: None

8. **Consent Agenda**

    a. **Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriation with the City of Rochester for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 58601**
    Brendan Johnson moved to **recommend approval of the attached suggested resolution on the Consent Agenda**. Seconded by William Miller III.

    **Motion Passed.**

    Vote Summary (7-0-0)
    Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
    No: None
    Abstain: None

9. **Water Resources Commissioner Recommendations**

a. **Water Resources Commissioner - Authorize the Issuance of Bonds for the Pontiac Woodward Loop Sewage Disposal Improvement Project**

Gwen Markham moved to **forward to Finance the attached suggested resolution.** Seconded by Robert Smiley.

**Motion Passed.**

Vote Summary (7-0-0)
Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
No: None
Abstain: None

b. **Water Resources Commissioner - Grant Acceptance with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the RainSmart Rebates Program**

Proposed Board Action: accept the $745,000 grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and authorize the Chair to execute all necessary documents to accept and implement this funding; further, acceptance of this grant does not obligate the County to any future commitment and continuation of this program is contingent upon continued future levels of grant funding; further, amend the FY 2026-2028 budgets as detailed in the attached Schedule A-Budget Amendment.

Linnie Taylor moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

**Motion Passed.**

Vote Summary (7-0-0)
Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
No: None
Abstain: None

c. **Water Resources Commissioner - Contract Amendment with Auger, Klein and Aller Architects**

Proposed Board Action: amend the existing contract with Auger, Klein, and Aller, Architects for an increased amount of $111,378 to cover the cost of work having been completed to date, pursuant to the terms of its contract with Oakland County.

Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Yolanda Smith Charles.

**Motion Passed.**

Vote Summary (7-0-0)
Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
No: None
Abstain: None

**10. Community and Public Spaces Study Group Recommendations**

a. **Board of Commissioners - Funding for In-Line Skating Rink at Harding Park with the City of Ferndale**

Proposed Board Action: approve the In-Line Skating Rink at Harding Park with the City of Ferndale as recommended by the Oakland County Community and Public Spaces Study Group in the amount of $10,000 and authorize the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to execute any necessary agreements. Further, that the necessary budget amendment shall be incorporated into a subsequent Quarterly Forecast Report.

Linnie Taylor moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Yolanda Smith Charles.

**Motion Passed**.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)
Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
No: None
Abstain: None

**11. Board of Commissioners Recommendations**

a. **Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriation for Local Road Improvement Program**

Proposed Board Action: approve the projects listed on the attached Schedule B and authorize the release of Local Road Improvement Program funds from the Non-Departmental Transfers (9090101) line item Local Road Funding Program (#740085); further, authorize the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to enter into the attached cost participation agreement with the municipalities for the 2026 Local Road Improvement Program, as prepared by Corporation Counsel; further, request the Oakland County Clerk to forward copies of this resolution to Oakland County Fiscal Services and the municipalities participating in the 2026 Local Road Improvement Program; further, amend the FY 2026 budget as detailed in the attached Schedule A – Budget Amendment.

William Miller III moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Robert Smiley.

**Motion Passed.**

Vote Summary (7-0-0)
Yes: Brendan Johnson, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Robert Smiley, Yolanda Smith Charles, Linnie Taylor, Philip Weipert
No: None
Abstain: None

Yolanda Smith Charles made a public hearing announcement on the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriation for Local Road Improvement Program, for

June 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Oakland County Board of Commissioners' Auditorium, 1200 North Telegraph Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

**12. Public Comment**

Margarette Gupta, Oakland Township Resident

**13. Other Business/Adjournment**

Comissioners' Comments
Speakers:
William Miller

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.

**NOTE:** The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.