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Commissioner Kochenderfer successfully secures county funds to improve, repair Rochester roads

June 24, 2021, OAKLAND COUNTY, MI. – On June 17, 2021, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution sponsored by Commissioner **Adam Kochenderfer** (R-Rochester Hills) securing \$27,819 for Rochester through the county's Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP). These funds will be used to help with road maintenance requirements and other road repairs. Rochester plans to use the funds to help with road repair to Second Street.

"I am glad to have helped Rochester receive this road funding, and I will continue working with local officials to keep our roads smooth and safe," Kochenderfer said.

Oakland County's LRIP provides limited financial assistance to Oakland County cities and villages for repairs and improvements on roadways under their jurisdiction. The program ensures that the county investment in roads is multiplied by requiring local municipalities to match funding from Oakland County. Launched in 2016, the LRIP has driven an estimated \$108 million investment in local roads across the county. The program is an effective means for encouraging investment in local roads, which continue to be underfunded by the State of Michigan. This lack of funding from the state and federal government has resulted in poor road conditions, which negatively impact safety, quality of life and economic development in the region.

"The city was excited to learn that we were once again awarded funds from the Board's Local Road Improvement Plan," Stuart Bikson, Rochester mayor, said. "With the matching funds from the city, we will be able to make some much needed repairs to Second Street."

In 2017, the Board of Commissioners' LRIP received national recognition when it was selected for a National Association of Counties (NACo) Achievement Award in the category of Community and Economic Development.

Commissioner Kochenderfer represents the 15th county commission district, which includes the City of Rochester and a portion of the City of Rochester Hills. He can be reached at 248-858-0100 or via email to akcommissioner@gmail.com.

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