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# planning takeover starts Monday

**New Community** Development Department now responsible for city planning

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Looking back on more than four decades of work by a consolidated planning department, former Rochester and Olmsted County administrators say the mission was accomplished.

I think the operation worked well for the city and the county





Devlin

during the period of time it was in effect," former Rochester City Administrator Stevan Kvenvold said. "I believe the planning of the city and county infrastructure was well carried out by that department."

Former Olmsted County Administrator Richard Devlin agreed, noting the consolidation in 1975 came at a time when both entities were looking at long-term planning

that needed to be coordinated.

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# Overnight deluge



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Vehicles drive through a flooded Hwy. 52 just south of Pine Island on Friday.

#### Rising water closes roads, floods homes

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orrential rains — as much as 7 inches in some locations — swamped parts of Southeast Minnesota overnight Thursday, closing highways, roads and businesses, and causing as yet untold property and crop damage.

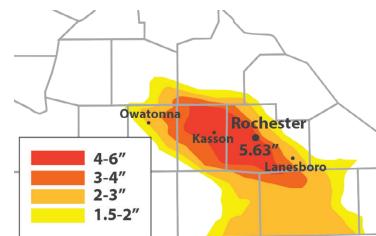
U.S. Highway 52 near Pine Island was closed Friday afternoon due to water over the road. Traffic there was being detoured to U.S. Highway 63, to the east

Among other closures, U.S. Highway 63 south of U.S. 52 was closed because of water

over the road, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation. MnDOT also noted on Twitter that water was over the roadway on U.S. Highway 14 west of Kasson.

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#### RAINFALL TOTALS



How much rain fell? Rainfall amounts varied in Rochester from 2.5 inches to 8 inches, according to the National Weather Service.

## \$2M bail for Red Wing murder suspect

**BY EMILY CUTTS** 

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RED WING — A Red Wing man was ordered held on \$2 million bail after being charged with seven felonies from a shooting near downtown on Tuesday. That shooting is now a homicide, as the victim died on Wednesday.

Michael Reyes, 19, was charged with two counts



of second-degree murder as well as charges of third-degree murder, first-degree assault, second-degree assault, possession of ammo/

any firearm-adjudicated delinquent for crime of violence and intentional discharge of a firearm that endangers safety, according to court

During his first appearance in

Goodhue County District Court on Friday, Judge Kevin Mark ordered Reyes be held on \$2 million unconditional bail. His next court appearance is scheduled for July 31.

Reyes was arrested Wednesday in a Woodbury motel room in connection with the Plum Street shooting. At the time of his arrest, Reyes was intoxicated and "actively fought with the Emergency Response Team,"

according to court records. Red Wing Police investigators described the shooting as "very unusual." The man was shot in daylight on a busy city street just three blocks from the Goodhue County Justice Center.

Red Wing Police and Goodhue County Sheriff's deputies responded to the 700 block of Plum Street, a few blocks outside of Red Wing's downtown commercial core, shortly after 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. When police arrived on scene, they found an adult male lying face down with a large pool of blood coming from his head, according to court documents. No injuries were located on the front of the man's

Red Wing police identified the man as D'andre Shawn Hicks, 28, of Tampa, Fla. Hicks is not named in court documents but instead is referred to as "Adult Male, dob 12/10/1990.3

Hicks was taken by ambulance to Mayo Health System-Red Wing, before being airlifted to Mayo Clinic Hospital-Saint Marys in Rochester. He was placed on life support with a prognosis of no recovery, according to court records. He remained on life support until his family members authorized its discontinuation. He died on the afternoon of June 26.

Officers on scene were able to speak with multiple witnesses, some of whom identified Reyes as the shooter. One person,

identified in the police report as Anthony Rowe, told officers he knew it was Reyes, as Reyes had been shooting at him for the last two weeks and believed that Hicks, whom he said was his brother, had been shot in a case of mistaken identity. Hicks was wearing the same shirt Rowe had been wearing earlier that day,

according to court records. Investigators located a loaded Ruger SR9c, believed to have been used in the incident, in the grass at a residence about six blocks from the shooting, according to court documents. Using a police dog, officers tracked a scent form the scene to Reyes' mother's house in the 1000 block of South Park Street specifically through the yard toward the south side of the residence to a ladder resting on the house, according to court

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