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| TO: | Mayor and City Council Members |
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FROM: Gerald Carvey, GSAB Chairperson

DATE: August 10, 2015

SUBJECT: Presentation and recommendation of Parcel #15-33-401-005

REQUEST:

Members of the Green Space Advisory Board (GSAB) would like to make a presentation and recommendation to approve the acquisition of the undeveloped 7.5 acres of Parcel #15-33-401-005, located at 1380 Ruby Avenue, Rochester Hills; and further recommends that the City seeks to acquire a conservation easement on the undeveloped portion of the remaining 1.92 acre lot that includes the house and drive.

BACKGROUND:

The parcel was evaluated and scored based on comparisons made to criteria related to the protection of water resources, habitat protection, recreational/historical value, steep slopes, woodlands and natural features. In addition, the review included its contributions to Oakland County's Green Infrastructure Network and its support of the GSAB vision. The recommended parcel also supports the City's Master Recreation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

If City Council concurs with the GSAB recommendation to approve the acquisition, the next step would be to authorize the Administration to assemble a negotiating team to begin the acquisition process. A resolution has been included for consideration.

| APPROVALS: | SIGNATURE | DATE |
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