



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Ed Anzek, Director, Department of Planning & Development (248-656-4660)

DATE: February 21, 2014

SUBJECT: Frank Farm Historic District
1290 E. Auburn Road; 1304 E. Auburn Road; 1344 and 1356 E. Auburn Road

REQUEST:

Request City Council designation of the Frank Farm Historic District.

BACKGROUND:

The subject properties are located on East Auburn Road, between John R Road and Dequindre Road, adjacent to the Reuther Middle School, and are zoned R-3 (One Family Residential). The properties are currently used for single family residential. With the exception of 1304 E. Auburn Road, members of the Frank Family have continuously owned the property since approximately 1823.

This item was before City Council on June 1, 2009 and December 9, 2013 for consideration to designate the three properties as a historic district. Council tabled the item both times and no further action has been taken. Prior to the December 9, 2013 meeting the City was in receipt of a letter from Mentor Hyska, the new owner of the 1304 Auburn Road property, requesting that 1304 Auburn be removed from the potential historic district list. The City was also in receipt of a letter from Anita Holtz, the owner of 1290 East Auburn and member of the Frank family, requesting designation of the properties as a historic district.

Following the December 9, 2013 meeting Ms. Holtz has withdrawn her request that the properties be designated as a historic district.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Historic Districts Study Committee recommends that the Frank Farm Historic District be designated as a local historic district within the City of Rochester Hills, and that the City Attorney be requested to prepare the appropriate ordinance amendment.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Council Liaison		

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