City of Rochester Hills Department of Planning

STAFF REPORT TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICTS STUDY COMMITEE

November 8, 2012

Proposed National Twist Drill Historic District	
LOCATION	6825, 6841, and 6875 North Rochester Road
SIDWELL	70-15-02-300-004; 70-15-02-300-015
FILE NO.	HDSC 08-002
ZONING	Industrial
STAFF	Jim Breuckman; Kristine Kidorf

SUMMARY

On August 13, 2012, the Rochester Hills City Council ("Council") directed the Historic Districts Study Committee ("Committee") to complete the study of the proposed National Twist Drill Historic District and make a recommendation back to Council in 120 days.

Pursuant to Chapter 118 of the Rochester Hills City Code of Ordinances and PA 169 of 1970 as amended the Committee reviewed and adopted the preliminary study committee report at its regular meeting on September 13, 2012. The preliminary report was transmitted to the City Planning Commission, the State Historic Preservation Review Board and Michigan Historical Commission on September 14, 2012.

The public hearing is being held on November 15, 2012, the required 60-day waiting period having ended on November 13, 2012. As required in Chapter 118, notice of the public hearing was placed in the newspaper and the owners of the property were notified by mail.

Comments on the report have been received from the State Historic Preservation Office. The report has not yet been updated, but will be. The comments do not substantively change the findings or conclusions of the report.

At the public hearing the Committee will hear all comments in support and opposition to the proposed historic district.

At the conclusion of the public hearing the Committee will consider the draft final report and their recommendation to Council. The Committee can:

- 1) Recommend to Council that the proposed district be designated, and present a draft ordinance amendment for Council to consider; OR
- 2) Recommend to Council that the proposed district is not eligible and should not be designated.

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If the Committee recommends designation of the proposed district it is solely at the discretion of Council whether to consider the proposed ordinance amendment. The amendment is treated just as any other proposed ordinance amendment.

If the Committee recommends that the district not be designated it is solely at the discretion of Council whether to accept the Committee's recommendation or to take further action.

POSSIBLE MOTION:

I move that the Historic Districts Study Committee adopt the final study committee report and recommend to Council that the proposed National Twist Drill Historic District **be/not be** designated as a local historic district.

Attachments: Draft Final Study Committee Report