

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, at the August 7, 2012 primary election, Rochester Hills voters will have the opportunity to decide whether to support a special police millage dedicated to fund and maintain the current level of police services through fiscal year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochester Hills currently funds police services through 2 voter-approved special police millages, totaling 1.2083 mills, that will expire after final levy in 2013, plus approximately 1.9 mills allocated from the City's general operating millage. The City forecasts the cost of maintaining the current level of police services will increase in the future and that additional funding through voter-approved special millage and/or a larger allocation (up to 2.5 mills) of the City's general operating millage will be necessary; and

WHEREAS, the special police millage proposal would renew the expiring police millage and authorize up to 2.5 additional mills, for 10 years, to maintain the current level of police services and allow the City to discontinue the levy and expenditure of general operating millage dollars for police services; and

WHEREAS, the Rochester Hills City Council wants to clearly state, on the public record, that if the special police millage passes, the City Council intends to offset the additional millage levy by correspondingly reducing the City's general operating millage levy so that no net tax increase to City taxpayers will result from the approval of the special police millage.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED the Rochester Hills City Council declares that if the proposed special police millage to maintain the current level of police services passes, the City Council intends to discontinue applying general operating millage to fund police services and correspondingly reduce the City's general operating millage levy so that no net tax increase to City taxpayers will result from the approval of the special police millage.