



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2008-0666

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Roger H. Rouse, Director of Public Service
DATE: December 15, 2008
SUBJECT: Austin Avenue Extension
City File No. E00-026

REQUEST:

That the Rochester Hills City Council approves the Highway Easement from Rayconnect, Inc. for the Austin Avenue Extension and authorizes payment to the land owner in the amount of \$7,321.95.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

On August 4, 2008, City Council approved a contract between the City of Rochester Hills and Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. (HRC) to acquire ROW for the Austin Avenue Extension Project. A workable plan has surfaced due to recent negotiations between the City and a proposed business named Rayconnect, Inc. The City has moved forward with the project and is working to assist Rayconnect, Inc. in their desire to open their new facility by May 2009.

HRC has been in the process of acquiring the ROW and must meet a deadline in order to have Rayconnect, Inc. open by May 2009. This is the last Highway Easement necessary before construction can commence.

PROCESS:

Vendor Name and Address:

Rayconnect, Inc., a Michigan Corporation
3011 Research Drive
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

BUDGET:

The project was budgeted in the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) as MR-10 and was later moved to the Major Road Fund.

**A 4th Quarter Budget Amendment is forthcoming for ROW and ROW acquisition services (HRC).

| Fund Name | Department Account No | Account No. Description | Budget Amount | Cost | Remaining Budget |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| Major Roads | 452.973000 | Construction – MR-10 | \$267,000.00 | \$267,321.96 | |
| | | | | \$371,500.00 | |
| | | | | | (\$104,500)** |

* \$210,000.00 was approved by City Council on December 1, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Rochester Hills City Council approves the Highway Easement from Rayconnect, Inc. for the Austin Avenue Extension and authorizes payment to the land owner in the amount of \$7,321.95.

| APPROVALS: | SIGNATURE | DATE |
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| Department Review | | |
| Department Director | | |
| Budget Content: Finance Director | | |
| Purchasing Process: Supervisor of Procurement | | |
| Mayor | | |
| City Council Liaison | | |