



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

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Legislative File No: 2007-0676

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Julie Jenuwine, Finance Director, ext 2535

DATE: September 21, 2007

SUBJECT: Nonresidential Surcharges and High Strength Surcharges effective October 29, 2007 – First Reading to amend Ordinance Sections 54.744 and 54.745 of Article XII, Utilities, of Chapter 54, Fees of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills and repeal conflicting ordinances.

REQUEST:

Request that City Council accept the first reading of an Ordinance to amend Sections 54.744 and 54.745 of Article XII, Utilities, of Chapter 54, Fees, of the code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills, Oakland County Michigan, to modify rates for the Nonresidential Surcharges (industrial waste control charge) and High Strength Surcharges (industrial surcharges such as BOD, TSS, P, FOG) and repeal conflicting ordinances (changes enclosed).

REASON FOR THE CHANGE:

Typically, each Spring the Detroit Water and Sewage Department (DWSD) and the Oakland County Drain Commission (OCDC) report the Industrial Surcharge and the Industrial Waste Control charges for the City of Rochester Hills non-residential sewage customers along with the water and sewage commodity rates. This year, DWSD's nonresidential surcharges were not completed until recently due to the unknown look-back adjustment. The OCDC has communicated (see attached) the new rates effect beginning October 2007, which include the look-back adjustment. Historically, City of Rochester Hills adjusts its ordinance to pass these charges through to the Rochester Hills nonresidential users; this policy is being proposed again this year.

BUDGET:

The approval of these nonresidential sewage surcharges effective October 29, 2007 will continue the policy of passing allow these surcharges to end users in an effort to help keep the overall system in good financial order.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council accept the first reading of an Ordinance to amend Sections 54.744 and 54.745 of Article XII, Utilities, of Chapter 54, Fees, of the code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills, Oakland County Michigan, to modify rates for the Nonresidential Surcharges and High Strength Surcharges and repeal conflicting ordinances (changes enclosed).

RESOLUTION

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