

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2012-0079

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry Department, ext. 2552

DATE: March 5, 2012

SUBJECT: Acceptance for First Reading – Amendments to Chapters 84, 94, and 106 of the Code

of Ordinances.

REQUEST:

We are requesting the Rochester Hills City Council accept for First Reading amendments to Section 84-11 of Chapter 84, *Property Maintenance Code*, various Sections of Chapter 94, *Streets, Sidewalks and Other Certain Public Places*, and various Sections of Chapter 106, *Vegetation*, of the Code of Ordinances.

BACKGROUND:

These Ordinances address the maintenance of private vegetation that obstruct public walkways and/or creates a safety hazard. The purpose of the proposed amendments is to achieve consistency throughout the Code of Ordinances as well as make them more effective at addressing and correcting problems without placing unnecessary burdens upon property owners.

These Ordinances are of significant importance to the safety of the users of our pathway and sidewalk system and will benefit the community by reducing or eliminating unnecessary regulation and more clearly identifying those regulations that are necessary to keep our streets, pathways and sidewalks safe and user friendly for the purposes they were intended.

RECOMMENDATION:

We are recommending that City Council accept for First Reading amendments to Section 84-11 of Chapter 84, *Property Maintenance Code*, various Sections of Chapter 94, *Streets, Sidewalks and Other Certain Public Places*, and various Sections of Chapter 106, *Vegetation*, of the Code of Ordinances as defined in the attached Ordinance.

A resolution has been attached for consideration.