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June 29, 2004

The Honorable Jennifer Granholm, Governor
State Capitol
P.O. Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: Support of Oakland County's Opposition to the Collection of
County Taxes in July

Dear Governor Granholm:

The Rochester City Council, during its meeting of June 28, 2004, reviewed a copy of Oakland County's Resolution No. 04123 (copy attached), which opposes your budget plan to collect County taxes in July of each year. Following its discussion regarding this matter, the City Council adopted a Motion to support Oakland County's position to oppose your budget plan to collect County taxes in July of each year. The Council authorized me to send this letter to you with copies to be forwarded to State Senator Michael Bishop, State Representative, John Garfield, Oakland County Commissioner for the 12th District, Sue Ann Douglas, and Oakland County Executive, L. Brooks Patterson.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth A. Johnson
City Manager

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Enclosure:

cc: Senator Michael Bishop
Representative John Garfield
Commissioner Sue Ann Douglas
County Executive L. Brooks Patterson



Katulic moved, Gray seconded to adopt Traffic Control order 04-03 for a stop sign for northbound traffic on Short Street at Lysander. YES: Becker, Bikson, Gray, Katulic and Werth. NO: None. ABSENT: Lewis and Crissman. Motion Carried.

Council considered a report and recommendation on bids for resurfacing the Clinton River Trail. Bids were received from eight (8) companies. Pro Line Asphalt Paving Corporation submitted the low bid in the amount of \$439,774.31. However, because of the unusually high cost of the railings for the two (2) bridges, the low bidder offered to delete those two (2) items without impacting other unit prices within the bid. Therefore, the recommendation was to approve the bid from Pro Line Asphalt Paving Corporation in the amount of \$303,318.47.

Werth moved, Katulic seconded to approve the bid for resurfacing the Clinton River Trail from Pro Line Asphalt Paving Corporation in the amount of \$303,318.47. YES: Becker, Bikson, Gray, Katulic and Werth. NO: None. ABSENT: Lewis and Crissman. Motion Carried.

Council considered a request for authorization to re-bid the railings for the two (2) bridges on the Clinton River Trail with two (2) separate alternatives.

Gray moved, Katulic seconded to approve the request for authorization to re-bid the railing for the two (2) bridges on the Clinton River Trail with two (2) separate alternatives. YES: Becker, Bikson, Gray, Katulic and Werth. NO: None. ABSENT: Lewis and Crissman. Motion Carried.

Council reviewed a report from the Intergovernmental Cable Communications Authority's (ICCA) attorney regarding Comcast's effort to implement a change for customers to be limited to arbitration of disputes rather than litigation against the company.

Council continued its discussion regarding the verbiage for the entrance signs dealing with "Settled in 1817".

Manager Johnson provided Council with examples for their review.

Werth moved, Gray seconded to have "Settled in 1817" placed on the lower right corner of the entrance signs and to have a 6" board reading "First Settlement in Oakland County" placed on top. YES: Becker, Bikson, Gray, Katulic and Werth. NO: None. ABSENT: Lewis and Crissman. Motion Carried.

Manager Johnson reviewed an invitation from Rochester Hills Mayor Pat Somerville regarding a Regional Community Information and Planning Meeting scheduled for Friday, July 9, 2004, from 9:00 a.m. until noon at Rochester Hills City Hall.

Council reviewed Oakland County Commission Resolution #04123 opposing the Governor's plan to collect county taxes in July of each year.

Katulic moved, Bikson seconded to support Oakland County Commission Resolution #04123 opposing the Governor's plan to collect county taxes in July of each year and to forward a letter to the Governor, State Senator, State Representative and Oakland County. YES: Becker, Bikson, Gray, Katulic and Werth. NO: None. ABSENT: Lewis and Crissman. Motion Carried.