

**CITY COUNCIL POLICY**

**CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS, MICHIGAN**

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**TITLE:** USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES DURING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

**RELATES TO:** City Council Members usage of Internet services including electronic mail, pagers, cell phones, etc.

**RESOLUTION #:** to be determined

**IS THIS A NEW POLICY?** Yes  X  No

**IF NO, SUPERCEDES PREVIOUS POLICY DATED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Use of Electronic Communication Devices During City Council Meetings**

A City Council Policy to set acceptable use standards for the City Council members during City Council meetings for the following devices:

- Cell phones
- Pagers
- Electronic mail (email) systems
  - Internal (Intranet)
  - External (Internet)
- Internet Services
  - Accessed via a City-provided Internet connection
- Other electronic communication devices

1. When official meetings/work sessions of Council are in session, the use of cell phones and pagers for active communication is strictly prohibited.
2. Email, Internet and Other Electronic Communication Systems/Devices:
  - a. Access  
During official meetings of Council, City Council members have access to all of the above communication system/devices.
  - b. Use  
When official meetings of Council are in session, City Council members will refrain from using all of the above communication systems/devices in a manner that would violate the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, 267, PA 1967.
3. Conduct for Use of Electronic Communication Devices:  
Council will proscribe to and be subject to adhering to all administrative policies of the City of Rochester Hills, as well as its own policy regarding the use of electronic communication devices.

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*Historical Data:*

Adopted: [date]