



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

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**Legislative File No:** 2006-0682

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Roger H. Rousse, Director of Public Service

**DATE:** September 20, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance to Amend Sections 114-126, 114-129, 114-157, and 114-191, Article III  
Floodplain Use and Regulation

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**REQUEST:**

That the Rochester Hills City Council adopts an ordinance to amend Sections 114-126, 114-129, 114-157, and 114-191, Article III, Floodplain Use and Regulation, Chapter 114, Floods, to adopt the new Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps to allow for City's continued participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program, and repeal conflicting ordinances.

**BACKGROUND:**

In 2002, Oakland County entered into a Partnership Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to work together to create and maintain accurate, up-to-date flood hazard data for Oakland County.

The intent was to create new Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) for the entire County by 2004. Oakland County coordinated this effort with cities, villages and townships (CVTs).

The City was provided with DFIRMs on September 1, 2006 and the updated Flood Insurance Rate Study on August 10, 2006. The effective date of the maps and study is September 29, 2006.

The City of Rochester Hills participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and is the repositories of flood hazard data for floodplain management and flood insurance purposes. It is necessary for the City to amend the Flood Plain Use and Regulation to adopt the new Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps to allow for the City's continued participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program, and repeal conflicting ordinances.

The technology and data that is available to prepare these map was not available when they were originally prepared for the City in 1979. The new map clarifies the location of the flood boundaries, makes their use easier and reduces the risk of misinterpretation.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is the Department of Public Services recommendation that City Council passes the provided resolution and adopts the ordinance that amends:

SECTIONS 114-126, 114-129, 114-157, and 114-191, ARTICLE III, FLOODPLAIN USE AND REGULATION, CHAPTER 114, FLOODS, TO ADOPT THE NEW FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY.

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**RESOLUTION**

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