



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

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**Legislative File No:** 2006-0632

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members

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

**DATE:** September 6, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of necessity to vacate the 20 foot wide alley North of Auburn Road between Dequindre Road and Hessel Avenue

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**REQUEST:**

Heather Miserlian of LegalWise, on behalf of her clients Erich D. Becker and Peter C. Clauw, filed an Application and Request for Vacation of Streets, Alleys or Public Grounds (Article IV Section 94-171 City Code) with the City of Rochester Hills to vacate the alley north of lots 1409 through 1414, inclusive, of Supervisor's Plat of Brooklands Park No. 3 Subdivision.

**BACKGROUND:**

The alley was platted as 20-foot wide in 1937, according to the plat of Supervisor's Plat of Brooklands Park No. 3. The alley is not improved as a throughway, and has no record of it ever being one or of it being accepted by the City. It is grass from Dequindre Road to Hessel Avenue and the City is not maintaining it. Mr. Becker and Mr. Clauw would like to have the alley vacated, with the ownership half to them and half to the owners of the parcels to the north, 47091 Dequindre.

See attached Engineering Report prepared by Roger Moore, Professional Surveyor.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City Staff recommendations are as follows:

- The Clerks Office, Assessing Department, and the Fire Department, responded with a "No Objection" to the requested alley vacation.
  - The City Planning Director and Staff recommend against the alley vacation based on the language in the Olde Towne Sub Area Plan, due to the "City's need to leave all potential options open for future redevelopment or improvements of the Olde Towne Area."
  - The City Transportation Engineer, based on the future needs for Dequindre Road widening and pathway requirements, recommends denial.
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**RESOLUTION**

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**RETURN TO AGENDA**

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<b>APPROVALS:</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>Department Review</b>		
<b>Department Director</b>		
<b>Mayor</b>		
<b>City Council Liaison</b>		