



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2012-0045

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Michael A. Hartner, Director, Parks & Forestry Department
DATE: February 3, 2012
SUBJECT: Calf Barn Adaptive Reuse Project Update

REQUEST:

Update to City Council on status of the Calf Barn Adaptive Reuse project.

BACKGROUND:

The 1927 Van Hoosen Calf Barn is part of the Van Hoosen Farm property acquired by the City in 1989 to expand the Rochester Hills Museum site. Upon purchase, the City completed full architectural drawings of each building and created a Master Plan for the site. The roof of the Calf Barn collapsed during the summer of 1990 and was carefully removed. The walls and interior animal pens have been exposed to the elements since then. In the meantime, the adaptive reuse of the Dairy Barn was completed in 2001 and new roofs were added to the Milk House and Bull Barn and the corn crib has been refurbished.

Former US Congressman William S. Broomfield has pledged \$ 100,000 towards the adaptive reuse of this building that will eventually create a year round, climate controlled building for the community's collections and archives. At this time, over \$ 200,000 has been raised in private funds and has been deposited in the Greater Rochester Area Community Foundation to initiate this Phase I project that will install a roof on this structure and stabilize the walls, doors, and windows. Phase I work will also make the building useable for Museum events as an open air pavilion. Additional phased work will be completed as private funds are secured.

The next step will be to retain the services of an architect to create drawings, specifications, bidding documents and construction administration for the implementation of Phase I work.

RECOMMENDATION:

No City Council action is required.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Council Liaison		