

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2009-0365

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Scott Cope, Building Department, 248-841-2445

DATE: September 21, 2009

SUBJECT: Weed Ordinance

REQUEST:

This Ordinance, being presented for first reading, is an ordinance to repeal Article III, Weed Control of Chapter 106, and amend Chapter 84-17(b) (1) and (2).

BACKGROUND:

When Chapter 84, Property Maintenance, was designed, it included the entire language of Article III, Weed Control of Chapter 106, and became Chapter 84-17. Article III of Chapter 106 was not repealed when Chapter 84 was enacted causing two separate chapters that regulated weed control.

The amendment to Chapter 84-17(b)(1) adds language that requires property owners in subdivisions with at least 60 percent of the building erected to cut or destroy all noxious weeds growing on the lot "and in the adjacent right-of-way between the lot and the street."

The amendment to Chapter 84-17(b)(2) adds language that requires property owners of land that abuts improved streets in common usage shall cut or destroy all noxious weeds growing on the land for a depth of 100 feet "from street edge".

RECOMMENDATION:

Building Department staff recommend the approval of the first reading of the amendments to the two sections of Chapter 84-17 and the repeal of Article III of chapter 106.

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