

# **Rochester Hills**

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# **Minutes - Draft**

# **City Council Regular Meeting**

Erik Ambrozaitis, J. Martin Brennan, Greg Hooper, Vern Pixley, James Rosen, Michael Webber and Ravi Yalamanchi

Vision Statement: The Community of Choice for Families and Business

Mission Statement: "Our mission is to sustain the City of Rochester Hills as the premier community of choice to live, work and raise a family by enhancing our vibrant residential character complemented by an attractive business community."

Monday, October 13, 2008	7:30 PM	1000 Rochester Hills Drive

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Hooper called the Regular Rochester Hills City Council Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Michigan Time.

# **ROLL CALL**

Present 7 - Erik Ambrozaitis, J. Martin Brennan, Greg Hooper, Vern Pixley, James Rosen, Michael Webber and Ravi Yalamanchi

#### Others Present:

Ed Anzek, Director of Planning and Development Bryan Barnett, Mayor Dan Casey, Manager of Economic Development Bob Grace, Director of MIS Susanna Jang, Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Representative Ed Leafdale, General Superintendent Jane Leslie, City Clerk

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Pixley, seconded by Webber, that the Agenda be Approved as Presented. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Ambrozaitis, Brennan, Hooper, Pixley, Rosen, Webber and Yalamanchi

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dale Hughes, 1408 New Life Lane, reported on the successes of riders who

have trained at the Velodrome in competitions at the National Championship level. He introduced Kacey Manderfield, who won a gold medal at the National Championship, and Gene Diggs, a 74-year-old rider who utilizes the Velodrome for fitness riding.

*Matthew Oberdier,* 1530 Streamwood, commented that a more accurate count of the deer population should be done before a decision is made on control efforts. He suggested Council consider non-lethal methods including education, signage, road improvement, educational videos, and reducing speeds on roads.

**Agnes Domanska**, 1530 Streamwood, commented that she opposes lethal deer control methods expressing concern that a sharpshooting proposal would not be a one-time event. She stated that some communities noted crash numbers not decreasing until year three or four of a culling program and questioned what costs a sharpshooter program would have beyond year one.

**Brian Granader,** 3320 S. Rochester Road, commented that efforts to reduce the deer population sends a contradictory message to the image of Rochester Hills as a community with large lots and nature.

**Jim Williams,** 2945 Hillendale, reported that a community in Ohio utilizing a deer culling program first saw accidents decrease, and then the numbers increased. He stated that culling activities could lead to the remaining deer having more multiple births, thereby increasing the population.

**Lee Zendel,** 1575 Dutton, stated that the request for proposal for a Single Trash Hauler does not address the method of payment to the contractor. He commented that deadline for submitting millages to the County for 2009 was September 30, 2008. He stated that adding costs to water and sewer bills could result in a need for additional City manhours, which is in contradiction to the 2009 Budget efforts to reduce costs. He also stated that adding a customer charge to each bill, while bringing in revenue to administer a billing program, would reduce savings to the residents. He questioned if the contractor did the billing, would delinquent bills result in a tax lien on property, and how bad debt accounts would be handled.

**Don Hughes,** 3744 Bald Mountain Road, Auburn Hills, commented that concerns over deer population were more indicative of motorist problems. He stated that funding opportunities should be explored for improved signage, reflectors, and education and that a culling program should not be considered. He stated that the organization he represented, Residents for Safe Deer Management, would be willing to assist on a committee to educate the public.

*Italia Millan*, 3744 Bald Mountain, Auburn Hills commented that deer culling programs are ineffective in reducing population, as the reproductive rate of the remaining deer increases. She stated that she favored education programs.

*Linda Davis-Kirksey,* 1337 N. Acre Drive, reported that the Holiday Helpers organization would hold their Soup Supper fundraiser this Thursday, October 16, 2008, at the Rochester Elks Club.

*Mary Ann Bernardi,* 384 Lawson Court, Troy, stated she was opposed to the killing of deer in densely populated areas. She commented that deer-auto accidents increase dramatically during hunting season, and that hunting activities put the public in harm's way. She urged Rochester Hills to band together with other communities toward non-violent solutions.

Jerrie Belavy, 1610 Rivers Edge, commented that she has made changes in her habits in order to enjoy the deer. She commented that a sharpshooting program was not an answer to reducing the deer population and cited safety concerns. She stated that the City needs better lighting and signage along roads, and that drivers should not be so distracted as to take their focus away from deer avoidance.

# **LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

**President Hooper** stated that the Council action thus far on deer population control is the enactment of the feeding ban. He stated that residents addressing Council on this topic would be notified when the Deer Issue returns to Council's agenda. He announced that a public hearing would be held on Monday, October 20, 2008, to discuss the Request for Proposals received for a Single Trash Hauler, review the Subcommittee's recommendations, and receive public comment.

*Mr. Ambrozaitis* congratulated the Rochester Adams High School Varsity Football Team, noting their seven-zero win record.

#### Mayor Barnett reported on the following:

- The Pumpkin Festival at the Van Hoosen Museum was attended by 2,500 individuals this past weekend.

- Construction is continuing on area streets, and he asked drivers to watch their speeds in construction zones and the surrounding neighborhoods. He stated that the remaining road work projects were expected to be completed by early November.

- The Rochester School Board would discuss the scope and funding of the Police School Liaison program at their meeting on October 20, 2008.

- DTE Energy has scheduled an information session at City Hall on Wednesday, October 29, 2008 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to report to residents of the subdivisions most affected by power outages.

- Administration is in the process of working on improved deer management education programs. He reported that the educational component would be announced hopefully at the next City Council meeting.

### **ATTORNEY MATTERS**

City Attorney John Staran was absent.

### PRESENTATIONS

- **2008-0497** Proclamation honoring October as Chamber of Commerce Month in the greater Rochester area
  - <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Agenda Summary.pdf</u> <u>Proclamation.pdf</u> Resolution.pdf

*Mayor Barnett* introduced Sheri Heiney, Executive Director, and Linda Davis-Kirksey, Chair, of the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce.

*Ms. Kirksey* thanked Council and stated that the Chamber is thriving during a difficult economy and credited Ms. Heiney and her staff for their efforts.

#### Presented.

*Whereas,* the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce works with the greater Rochester business community to advance the civic, economic, industrial, professional, social and cultural systems of the Rochester Regional area; and

*Whereas*, the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce is supported by the financial and volunteer resources of over 1,400 businesses located and operating in the Rochester region; and

*Whereas,* since their incorporation in 1955, the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce has contributed to the protection of commerce and the greater Rochester business climate for the past 53 years; and

*Whereas,* the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce works to promote the region's business community through education, information and networking opportunities; and

*Whereas*, the City of Rochester Hills recognizes the Chamber of Commerce and their members for working to make our region the best place to live, work and play.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved*, that the Mayor and City Council of Rochester Hills, hereby proclaim October to be Chamber of Commerce Month in the greater Rochester area.

- **2008-0521** Proclamation in Recognition of Boy Scouts Gary Williams and Kevin Tebbe for their outstanding achievement in developing, implementing, and completing the *Pathway of Eagles* 
  - <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Agenda Summary.pdf</u> <u>Williams Proclamation.pdf</u> <u>Tebbe Proclamation.pdf</u> Resolution.pdf

**Mayor Barnett** introduced Boy Scouts Gary Williams and Kevin Tebbe of Rochester Hills Troop 123, who attained the rank of Eagle Scout by executing a service project at Veterans Memorial Pointe. The Pathway of Eagles project consists of a brick paver walkway and crossover bridge. Future Eagle Scouts will be able to have their achievement recognized by purchasing and placing a brick engraved with their name, troop number, and the date they attained the rank of Eagle along the pathway. He thanked the Scouts for their outstanding job.

#### Presented.

Boy Scouts Gary Williams and Kevin Tebbe, of Rochester Hills Troop 123, attained the rank of Eagle Scout by executing a major service project. Their project involved building a brick paver walkway and crossover bridge at Veterans Memorial Pointe. They developed a plan and worked diligently throughout the winter to secure funding and materials for their project. With help from members of their troop, Gary and Kevin were able to complete the project that is now proudly called the Pathway of Eagles.

Future Eagle Scouts will be able to have their achievement recognized by purchasing and placing a brick engraved with their name, troop number, and the date they attained the rank of Eagle along the Pathway of Eagles.

*Whereas*, Garry Williams and Kevin Tebbe are dedicated and committed to serving in the Boy Scouts of America, an organization that gives young men opportunities to participate in helping their community; and

*Whereas,* through their efforts in this exceptional service project, Gary Williams and Kevin Tebbe have added to the ongoing beauty and honor of Veterans Memorial Pointe.

*Now, Therefore, be it Resolved,* that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester Hills hereby recognize Gary Williams and Kevin Tebbe for their outstanding achievement in developing, implementing, and completing the Pathway of Eagles.

- 2008-0522 Proclamation in Recognition of Eagle Scout Josh Bertolet for his outstanding achievement in developing, implementing, and completing his Eagle Scout project at Veterans Memorial Pointe
  - <u>Attachments:</u> <u>Agenda Summary.pdf</u> <u>Bertolet Proclamation.pdf</u> <u>Resolution.pdf</u>

**Mayor Barnett** introduced Boy Scout Josh Bertolet of Rochester Hills Troop 123, who attained the rank of Eagle Scout by executing a project at Veterans Memorial Pointe involving the clearing and removing of logjams that were causing flooding problems. Josh's project, using the manpower of his fellow Scouts, also made use of the wood removed, which was split and sold to purchase supplies and equipment for their Troop. He thanked Josh for his outstanding efforts.

#### Presented.

Boy Scout Josh Bertolet of Rochester Hills Troop 123, attained the rank of Eagle Scout by executing a major service project at Veterans Memorial Pointe. His project involved clearing and removing the logjams that were causing flooding problems. Josh developed a plan to have his fellow scouts assist him in cutting and splitting the wood. They also sold the wood to purchase supplies and equipment for their troop.

The scouts did a great service to the City of Rochester Hills by clearing out the downed trees and preventing further flooding at Veterans Memorial Pointe. The troop worked very

hard and did an outstanding job.

*Whereas,* Josh Bertolet is dedicated and committed to serving in the Boy Scouts of America, an organization that gives young men opportunities to participate in helping their community; and

*Whereas,* through his efforts in this exceptional service project, Josh Bertolet has added to the ongoing beauty and honor of Veterans Memorial Pointe.

*Now, Therefore, be it Resolved,* that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester Hills hereby recognize Josh Bertolet for his outstanding achievement in developing, implementing, and completing his Eagle Scout project at Veterans Memorial Pointe.

2008-0513 Rochester Hills SmartZone Update; David Spencer, Executive Director of the Oakland University INCubator and Dan Casey, Manager of Economic Development, presenters

 Attachments:
 Agenda Summary.pdf

 Presentation.pdf
 Cumulative Report.pdf

**Dan Casey,** Manager of Economic Development presented a summary of the Annual SmartZone Report:

The SmartZone was established in late 2002 as a partnership between Oakland University and the City of Rochester Hills. At the time it was approved, there were ten existing SmartZones in the State of Michigan. The Oakland County Automation Alley SmartZone included the following partners:

- City of Rochester Hills
- City of Southfield
- City of Troy
- Oakland County
- Automation Alley
- Lawrence Technological University
- Oakland University
- Michigan Economic Development Corporation

The Rochester Hills SmartZone was formed based on an agreement with those partners that they would all work together and brand one SmartZone for the County, and a coordinating Council would oversee the development of the program throughout the communities and partners.

A SmartZone is a Certified Technology Park, which is a defined area within a community where Tax Increment Financing (TIF) can occur, providing for public infrastructure as well as incubation or acceleration facilities, to support the development or expansion of the clustering of technology companies. It was envisioned in 2002 as a clear direction for the State of Michigan to diversify its economy. A coordinating Council consisting of one voting member from each of the communities or partners oversees the Oakland Automation Alley SmartZone, which includes two Certified Technology Parks:

- Automation Alley Certified Technology Park, which was a Joint Local

Development Finance Authority (LDFA) between the cities of Troy and Southfield - Rochester Hills Certified Technology Park

He explained that the SmartZone boundaries also include some residential properties. The boundaries of the SmartZone are the same boundaries of the LDFA. The LDFAs capture from manufacturing and high technology uses, while the SmartZones capture from any use that generates tax revenue.

The Rochester Hills SmartZone Growth is highlighted by the following result statistics:

- 2003 Baseline Companies (meeting the designation of High Technology, as defined by State Legislation): 128

- Total Companies: 184
- Jobs Created: 1,362
- Jobs Retained: 3,124
- Public Investment: \$10,308,500
- Private Investment within the SmartZone: \$123,128,500

He stated that there are an estimated 10,000 high-technology employees within the SmartZone and noted a projection of approximately \$14,000,000 in total tax revenue within the SmartZone over the 15-year life cycle of the SmartZone.

Mr. Casey noted the following companies that have located within the SmartZone:

- Bosch Rexroth
- Hi-Lex Controls
- Motoman
- Ovonyx
- Plymouth Technology
- Ritter Technology
- Tesla Motors
- Tomcar

**David Spencer,** Executive Director of the Oakland University INCubator, explained that the INCubator is committed to commercializing technology and life sciences innovations emerging from the university, SmartZone businesses and the regional high-technology industry. He listed the emerging sectors that are the INCubator's areas of focus:

- Automotive and Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Life Sciences Technology
- Communications and Information Technology
- Alternative Energy Technology
- Homeland Defense Technology

A number of partner alliances, located here and throughout the state, are key to the INCubator's development:

- City of Rochester Hills
- Oakland County Government
- State of Michigan/Michigan Economic Development Corporation
- Automation Alley
- Intellitrends
- SBTDC Network
- Plymouth Management Company
- Great Lakes Angels
- Biotechnology Business Consultants

Mr. Spencer explained the types of Client Membership Programs for the INCubator:

The On-Site Tenant and Affiliate Client Programs are geared toward early stage start-up and emerging companies seeking business development, commercialization services, access to capital funding and leased space.

The Corporate Accelerator Program is geared toward existing corporations seeking the following assistance:

- Business Development
- Commercialization Services
- Spin-offs
- New Intellectual Property Products and Services

*Mr.* Spencer related the example of assistance provided to General Dynamics in their development of a Phase Two Air Purification System.

He explained that additional services provided by the OU INC Collaboratory include merging electronic meeting support with traditional facilitating methods to heighten group communication in sessions such as strategic planning, business process reengineering, quality improvement, focus groups and process analysis.

Technology and Business Services include the following:

- Applied research and technology development
- Intellectual property management
- Technology transfer and commercialization
- Business and marketing planning
- Financing and capital acquisition for "start-up" and "spin-off" businesses
- Continuing education and professional development

- Access to Oakland University academic programs, faculty, students and research staff

Every client company is required to have a Kitchen Cabinet Advisory Board to consult with, made up of volunteer individuals with a broad section of expertise, consisting of the following:

- Eight to twelve member volunteer advisory board
- Meets quarterly with designated client company

- Reviews the company's business plan milestones, financial performance and product/services development progress

*Mr.* Spencer listed the following emerging sectors and the clients served by the INCubator:

- Automotive and Advanced Manufacturing Technology \* Advance Sensing Techniques
- Communications and Information Technology
- \* Applied EMAG
- Life Sciences Technology
- \* NeuMedicine International
- Homeland Defense Technology
- \* JADI
- \* GS Engineering
- \* ARGUS Security Technologies
- \* General Dynamics
- Anchor Tenants
- \* EdEn Inc.
- \* Great Lakes Angels
- \* Plymouth Venture Partners II

*Mr.* Spencer explained a new Capital Investment fund developed, Plymouth Venture Partners II, stating the following:

- PVPII@OU is currently in the capital raising stage
- Committed \$30 million growth-stage fund
- Concentration in Southeast Michigan
- Deal Range investment amounts are from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000

He explained that the Plymouth Management program is geared to companies going to the next level, with a critical need for capital. The program has raised approximately \$4,000,000 at this time.

*Mr.* Spencer explained the Capital Investment program, the Great Lake Angels, stating the following:

- Angel investment alliance program
- Public-private sector initiative
- Accredited investors
- Direct capital funding for entrepreneurs, early stage and growth companies
- Deal Range amounts are from \$25,000 to \$500,000

He related that the Great Lakes Angels program is geared toward earlier-stage companies. Accredited investors have banded together to assist companies that have been identified by the INCubator. An Oakland University MBA student is a part-time employee in this area, paid for by corporate-partner support.

*Mr.* Spencer introduced the Corporate Partners Program, stating that it provides high quality services at a discounted price. Corporate partners serve on the

Kitchen Cabinet Advisory Board, and provide financial support for sponsorship, contributing \$5,000, \$10,000 or \$15,000 per year for the INCubator. He stated that Partner Categories include:

- CPAs
- Law Firms
- Banks and Investment Firms
- Insurance Companies
- Marketing Companies
- HR Companies
- Venture Capital Firms
- Angel Investors
- IT Companies
- Business Consulting Firms

He listed the following Corporate Partner members:

- Comerica Bank
- Boyden Global Executive Search
- Contract CFO Services Inc.
- McCann Worldgroup
- General Dynamics Land Systems
- Doeren Mayhew
- Harness Dickey
- GVA Detroit
- BDO Seidman
- WPZ
- Butzel Long
- Cendrowski Corporate Advisors
- Biotechnology Business Consultants
- Oakland County
- IntelliTrends
- A. J. Damman Co.

Mr. Spencer reported the following INCubator Growth statistics since January 2006:

- Companies Assisted: 124
- Commercial Readiness Assessments: 106
- Access to OU Facilities/Labs: 9 companies
- Business Counseling: 22 companies
- Jobs Created: 60
- Jobs Retained: 20

He detailed the Company Funding, which included the State's SmartZone Pre-seed Fund:

- \$8 million from 2007 to 2008
  - \* JADI, Inc. awarded \$250,000
  - \* Three company applications are pending
- \$1.5 million bridge fund for 2008

He reported the following Rochester Hills Tax Growth figures:

<u>LDFA Plan Capture</u>	SmartZone Plan Capture
2003: \$440,000	2006: \$96,510
2008: \$950,000	2007: \$226,450
2009: \$453,850 estimated	2009: \$453,851 estimated

He reported the following Revenue Figures for the SmartZone and the INCubator for the period January 2006 through September 2008.

Rochester Hills LDFA (State of Michigan)	\$	558,438
Oakland University - A. Administration and Operations	\$ \$	778,960 176,093
- B. Contracts and Services	\$	98,100
- C. Grants	\$	110,500
- D. Corporate Partner Sponsorships	<u>\$</u>	<u>210,100</u>
- E. In-Kind Support	\$	1,373.653

He cited the following Source of Revenue breakdown:

- Rochester Hills LDFA (State of Michigan): 29%
- Administration and Operation (OU): 40%
- In-Kind Support: 11%
- Corporate Partners: 6%
- Grants: 5%
- Contracts and Services: 9%

**G. Edzko Smid,** Ph.D., President, JADI Inc. related his company's goal to take robotics navigation technology to the needs of the military and how the INCubator provided services to assist them. He stated that the INCubator provided a conduit to the University and provided facilities that JADI would not have had access to otherwise. He stated that JADI received a pre-seed investment of \$4,000,000 million in January, targeted to commercialize the technology. A prototype navigation system has been sold to John Deere for \$115,000; and has signed an agreement with Applied Research Associates, a large defense contractor, to provide technology and establish a facility here. JADI projects the creation of between five to twenty jobs in the next five years. He explained that the INCubator will assist JADI in the transition from being a Research and Development company to a commercial company. He stated that it is JADI's desire to remain in the area.

**Mr. Casey** congratulated Mr. Spencer for his efforts and stated that with the assistance of Dr. Russi, President of Oakland University, and Dr. Mohan Tanniru, Dean of Professional Management Information Systems, the University has been a great partner. He stated the INCubator is looking toward the future. He stated this was the only INCubator in Oakland County, and commented that there are many opportunities to grow this program in the Rochester Hills market. He stated it was important to point out that the LDFA board oversees both the LDFA and SmartZone plan. The Treasurer from the State of Michigan approved the project wanting a

distinction between the funding source for University's part of program, and the public infrastructure part of the program. The LDFA funds the bricks and mortar and the SmartZone funds the INCubator's operation.

He stated that when the SmartZone plan was drafted, there were two projects in it. Phase One of the INCubator established the program and brought capital investment on-site. Phase Two will take the plan to the next level, and is currently in the analysis and evaluation of the options to do this. He expected a report to City Council and the leadership of the University late in January.

**Mr. Spencer** stated that it was important to acknowledge that this INCubator was built from scratch. Most of the other INCubators around the state received seed capital. The INCubator is at a disadvantage that it does not have advanced manufacturing space or wet lab space, two areas that are needed. A comprehensive Phase Two plan will be developed targeting the types of emerging sectors that need to be focused on, along with the space and staff needed. He stated he expected the plan should be developed for presentation in late January or early February. He stated that a goal of the INCubator was also to attract companies into Rochester Hills, and even if they did not enter the INCubator, these companies would still be attracted to Rochester Hills for placement.

#### **Council Discussion:**

**Mr. Yalamanchi** expressed his appreciation for the efforts the INCubator puts forth to attract companies to Rochester Hills. He questioned whether there was one sector that could be identified as doing better than any other and whether these sectors were all being attracted at the same level.

**Mr. Spencer** responded that there was an equal representation of interest from all sectors. He stated that the recent announcement of development of Oakland University's Medical School in participation with Beaumont Hospital provides a budding opportunity for the INCubator to actively engage working to further research and development for the Life Sciences sector. He also stated that the University works with Crittenton Hospital as well.

**Mr. Casey** reported that the strongest industry focus is in Robotics. Alternative energies are also strong, particularly in automotive-based battery systems, technologies, hybrids, hydrogen and solar.

**Mr. Smid** stated that the Federal Government has decided that TARDEC, part of the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command headquartered at the Detroit Arsenal in Warren, is to become the center for all robotics in the country. This will encourage additional companies with high paying jobs to locate in the area as the SmartZone is only twenty minutes away from TARDEC.

*Mr.* Yalamanchi stated that he encouraged diversity in the technological base and questioned how Rochester Hills promoted itself to companies.

*Mr. Spencer* replied that the goal was to put together a defined program within the City. He anticipated recommending to Dr. Russi to take one of the part-time positions and convert it to full-time to develop a company referral and placement program. He stated that not every company that approaches the INCubator needs their services but they might be able to be referred for relocating to Rochester Hills. He also stated that efforts should be made to the larger companies such as General Dynamics to encourage their spin-off companies and projects to locate here as well and retain these companies.

*Mr.* Yalamanchi questioned the initial seed money and requested information on how it was allotted.

**Mr. Casey** replied that when the State created the SmartZone program, that seed money was divided out to five of the SmartZones. Central Michigan University, University of Michigan, Michigan Technological University, the Southwest Innovation Center and Automation Alley received initial funding and some additional seed money for a three-year period. Since that time, all of the INCubators and accelerators in the state are working toward obtaining grant monies and investments.

Mr. Webber questioned how overseas companies are targeted.

*Mr. Casey* replied that the INCubator partners with agencies that market to attract overseas companies, including the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Oakland County and the Detroit Regional Chamber.

*Mayor Barnett* stated that the SmartZone and the INCubator is a great tool for the City to be creative with limited resources.

Presented.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

**2008-0515** Request to Schedule a Public Hearing regarding the request to establish an Industrial Development District at 1685 Northfield Dr., 2775 Commerce Drive, 1758 Northfield Dr., 1744 Northfield Dr. and 2798 Product Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Attachments: Agenda Summary.pdf <u>Map.pdf</u> <u>Public Hearing Notice.pdf</u> <u>Resolution.pdf</u> <u>101308 Agenda Summary.pdf</u> <u>101308 Resolution.pdf</u>

**Dan Casey,** Manager of Economic Development, stated that the deadline for getting an approved abatement application to the Tax Commission is October 31, 2008. Any abatements submitted after that would lose one year of the abatement. He stated that the Hi-Mold abatement request is for an expansion project and that Hi-Mold was projected to invest approximately \$3,800,000 and establish a lease with option to buy a building that is currently vacant. Because Hi-Mold has four

existing facilities, and this proposed location would become their fifth, they requested the flexibility to move equipment within these five facilities without losing the abatement on the equipment.

*Mr.* Yalamanchi questioned whether this would create a campus of facilities.

*Mr. Casey* responded that it would, and by including all five buildings in the Industrial Development District, Hi-Mold would have the flexibility to move the equipment around without penalty.

A motion was made by Ambrozaitis, seconded by Pixley, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Ambrozaitis, Brennan, Hooper, Pixley, Rosen, Webber and Yalamanchi

Enactment No: RES0331-2008

*Whereas,* Adco Investments LLC and Hi-Tech Mold & Engineering, Inc. have jointly filed a request for the establishment of an Industrial Development District for property owned and located at:

1685 Northfield Dr., also known as Parcel Number 15-28-377-024, further described as:

T3N, R11E, SEC 28 NORTHFIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK NO. 2 LOT 39 12-05-88 FROM 022; and

2775 Commerce Dr., also known as parcel Number 15-28-376-026, further described as:

T3N, R11E, SEC 28 NORTHFIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK N 80 FT OF LOT 17, ALSO ALL OF LOTS 18 & 19, ALSO LOT 20, ALSO S 110 FT OF LOT 21 02-10-00 FR 005 & 025; and

1785 Northfield Dr., also known as parcel Number 15-28-376-022, further described as:

T3N, R11E, SEC 28 NORTHFIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK S 320 FT OF LOT 17 07/17/86 FR 006; and

1744 Northfield Dr., also known as Parcel Number 15-28-376-014, further described as:

T3N, R11E, SEC 28 NORTHFIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK NO 2 LOT 50 3-27-84 FR 300-050; and

2798 Product Dr., also known as Parcel Number 15-28-376-019, further described as:

T3N, R11E, SEC 28 NORTHFIELD INDUSTRIAL PARK NO 2 LOT 47, ALSO N 50 FT OF LOT 48 4/9/85 FR 011 & 012; and

*Whereas,* Public Act 198, of 1974, as amended, requires that City Council hold a public hearing before considering the request and must render a decision within 60 days of receipt of the application.

*Resolved,* to schedule the Public hearing for City Council's Regular Meeting of October 20, 2008, and

Be It Further Resolved, to authorize the City Clerk's office to publish notice of the public

hearing in the Rochester Eccentric on Thursday, October 16, 2008, and

**Be It Further Resolved**, to send a certified copy of the notice to Hi-Tech Mold & Engineering, Inc., attention Shaun Karn, 2775 Commerce Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309 no later than Thursday, October 16, 2008, and

**Be It Further Resolved**, to send a certified copy of the notice to Adco Investments LLC, attention Archie Damman III, 30 Cranbrook Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 no later than Thursday, October 16, 2008, and

**Be It Finally Resolved**, to send a certified copy of the notice to all taxing jurisdictions and the City's Assessor no later than Thursday, October 16, 2008.

- **2008-0516** Request to Schedule a Public Hearing regarding an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Hi-Tech Mold & Engineering, Inc.
  - Attachments: Agenda Summary.pdf Application.pdf Development Agreement Draft.pdf TB Analysis.pdf Public Hearing Notice.pdf 101308 Agenda Summary.pdf 101308 Resolution.pdf

#### See item 2008-0515.

A motion was made by Webber, seconded by Ambrozaitis, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Ambrozaitis, Brennan, Hooper, Pixley, Rosen, Webber and Yalamanchi

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*Whereas,* Hi-Tech Mold & Engineering, Inc. filed an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate on September 30, 2008 for the same properties, which it owns or occupies, and

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**Be It Further Resolved,** to send a certified copy of the notice to Adco Investments LLC, attention Archie Damman III, 30 Cranbrook Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 no later than Thursday, October 16, 2008, and

**Be It Finally Resolved,** to send a certified copy of the notice to all taxing jurisdictions and the City's Assessor no later than Thursday, October 16, 2008.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

*Mr.* Yalamanchi requested that a three or five-year plan be developed for deer population control, including elements of signage, speed limit reductions, and continued population monitoring.

**Mayor Barnett** suggested that if Council were to grant certain levels of funding, various control programs could be established based on the monies available. He stated that while the educational component is moving forward, the Administration is currently working on immediate controls rather than a five-year plan.

**Mr. Pixley** stated that it would be helpful for the educational component to identify the control measures that cannot be considered, such as sterilization and relocation so that the public understands why certain controls are being proposed.

# NEXT MEETING DATE

Regular Meeting - Monday, October 20, 2008 - 7:30 PM

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Council, President Hooper adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

GREG HOOPER, President Rochester Hills City Council

JANE LESLIE, Clerk City of Rochester Hills

MARY JO WHITBEY Administrative Secretary City Clerk's Office

Approved as presented at the (insert date, or dates) Regular City Council Meeting.