



Department of Planning and Economic Development
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Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Project Information

Name Dime Store		
Description of Proposed Project Remodel existing restaurant space to a breakfast, brunch restaurant		
Proposed Use(s)		
Residential	Non-Residential	Mixed-Use
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Family Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Describe uses:
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Family Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional/Public/Quasi-Public	

Purpose. The purpose of the EIS is to:

- A. Provide relevant information to the City Planning Commission and the City Council on the environmental impact of applications for rezoning, platting, site condominium, and site plan approval and other actions that will have a significant effect on the environment
- B. Inject into the developer's planning process consideration of the characteristics of the land and the interests of the community at large, as well as the developer's own interests and those of potential customers
- C. Facilitate participation of the citizenry in the review of community developments
- D. Provide guidelines for standards as required by *Section 138-2.204* of the [zoning ordinance](#)

Content. The Environmental Analysis Report (Part I and II), the Impact Factors (Part III), and the Summary (Part IV), which together form the EIS, should meet all of the following requirements:

- A. The EIS is intended to relate to the following:
 - 1. Ecological effects, both positive and negative
 - 2. Population results
 - 3. How the project affects the residential, commercial, and industrial needs
 - 4. Aesthetic and psychological considerations
 - 5. Efforts made to prevent the loss of special features of natural, scenic or historic interest
 - 6. Overall economic effect on the City
 - 7. Compatibility with neighborhood, City and regional development, and the Master Land Use Plan
- B. The EIS must reflect upon the short-term effect as well as the long-term effect upon the human environment:
 - 1. All pertinent statements must reflect both effects
 - 2. All pertinent statements must suggest an anticipated timetable of such effects
- C. On developments of 5 acres or more, a topographic presentation indicating slopes 12% and more, depressions, major drainage patterns, wooded areas, flood plains, and wetlands is required

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Questions or Clarifications. Please contact the Department of Planning and Economic Development at the contact information above for questions or clarifications.



Guidelines

These guidelines are to be followed by developers desiring to gain approval of proposed plans. The guidelines provide for an in-depth analysis of the site in question considering the past, the present, the proposed plan, and the future expectations with respect to community environmental sanity. The analysis is intended to determine how the proposed plan will meet goals of the community as they are set out separately in the Master Land Use Plan.

The complexity of the EIS must clearly depend upon the scope of the project and the magnitude (in the opinion of the Planning Commission) of the potential impact. It is not the intention of the City to create an unduly burdensome or expensive requirement for the developer. In preparing the EIS in accordance with the outline below, judgment should be exercised to keep the form and extent of responses in proportion to the scope of the project. Each answer is to be as brief as practical.

Where questions or answers are not applicable, please state "Not Applicable". All other data is required, and where incomplete or in adequate data is provided based on the scope of the project and the opinion of the Planning Commission, the lack of such data shall be cause for tabling the application by a majority vote of the body present. The matter will be reopened upon submission of a written report on any questions not properly detailed.

Part 1. Analysis Report: Past and Present Status of the Land

A. What are the characteristics of the land, waters, plant & animal life present? 1. Comment on the suitability of the soils for the intended use NA 2. Describe the vegetation giving specific locations of specimens of 6" diameter or greater, or areas of unusual interest on parcels of 5 acres or more NA 3. Describe the ground water supply & proposed use NA 4. Give the location & extent of wetlands & floodplain NA 5. Identify watersheds & drainage patterns NA
B. Is there any historical or cultural value to the land? NA
C. Are there any man-made structures on the parcel(s)? NA



D. Are there important scenic features? NA
E. What access to the property is available at this time? Lockbox
F. What utilities are available? Electrical, Water, Gas

Part 2. The Plan

A. Residential <i>(Skip to B. below if residential uses are not proposed)</i>
1. Type(s) of unit(s)
2. Number of units by type
3. Marketing format, i.e., rental, sale or condominium
4. Projected price range
B. Non-Residential/Mixed-Use <i>(Skip to Part 3. Impact Factors if non-residential/mixed-uses are not proposed)</i>
1. Anticipated number of employees 38
2. Hours of operation/number of shifts 8:00am - 3:00pm (7 days a week) / 4
3. Operational schedule <i>(continuous, seasonal, seasonal peaks, etc.)</i> Continuous
4. Description of outside operations or storage NA



5. Delineation of trade area	10 mile radius from site location. Reaching surrounding areas such as Lake Orion, Royal Oak, Pontiac, Mount Clemens, etc.
6. Competing establishments within the trade area (<i>document sources</i>)	Rochester Brunch House, Georges Coney Island, First Watch
7. Projected growth (physical expansion or change in employees)	None

Part 3. Impact Factors

A. What are the natural & urban characteristics of the plan?	NA
1. Total number of acres of undisturbed land	NA
2. Number of acres of wetland or water existing	NA
3. Number of acres of water to be added	NA
4. Number of acres of private open space	NA
5. Number of acres of public open space	NA
6. Extent of off-site drainage	NA
7. List of any community facilities included in the plan	NA
8. How will utilities be provided?	NA
B. Current planning status	NA
C. Projected timetable for the proposed project	NA
D. Describe or map the plan's special adaptation to the geography	NA
E. Relation to surrounding development or areas	NA



F. Does the project have a regional impact? Of what extent & nature? NA
G. Describe anticipated adverse effects during construction & what measures will be taken to minimize the impact NA
H. List any possible pollutants NA
I. What adverse or beneficial changes must inevitably result from the proposed development? 1. Physical a. Air quality NA b. Water effects (<i>pollution, sedimentation, absorption, flow, flooding</i>) NA c. Wildlife habitat (<i>where applicable</i>) NA d. Vegetative cover NA e. Night light NA 2. Social a. Visual NA b. Traffic (<i>type/amount of traffic generated by the project</i>) Vehicle traffic increase c. Modes of transportation (<i>automotive, bicycle, pedestrian, public</i>) All d. Accessibility of residents to recreation, schools, libraries, shopping, employment & health facilities NA



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3. Economic

- a. Influence on surrounding land values

NA

- b. Growth inducement potential

NA

- c. Off-site costs of public improvements

NA

- d. Proposed tax revenues (*assessed valuation*)

NA

- e. Availability or provisions for utilities

NA

- J. In relation to land immediately surrounding the proposed development, what has been done to avoid disrupting existing uses & intended future uses as shown on the Master Land Use Plan?

NA

- K. What specific steps are planned to revitalize the disturbed or replace the removed vegetative cover?

NA

- L. What beautification steps are built into the development?

NA

- M. What alternative plans are offered?

NA



Part 4. The Summary

Based on the foregoing Analysis Report, state the net environmental impact on the City of Rochester Hills if the proposed plan is implemented. The summary is intended to briefly set forth a basis for the City of Rochester Hills Planning Commission and the City Council to determine the acceptability of proposed development.

It is suggested that the summary be brief and to the point. Make the comments relative to the initial impression and the lasting effect upon the entire community in relation to at least these points of concern:

1. Ecological effects
2. Residential, commercial or industrial needs
3. Treatment of special features of natural, scenic or historic interest
4. Economic effect
5. Compatibility with neighborhood, City and regional development, and the City's Master Land Use Plan

The introduction of Dime Store to the City of Rochester Hills will hopefully be nothing but a net positive impact on the city as well as the surrounding small businesses. The ecological impacts should be negligible as the daily operation will only cause a small increase in vehicle traffic in the area. The addition of Dime Store will not require any additional commercial or industrial needs as it is the re-beautification of an existing restaurant location. Projections of serving between 2000 and 3000 customers a week will help induce business opportunity for fellow local retail and service businesses alike. The initial reactions and feedback we have received from the local community on Social Media announcements, have verified our confidence that Rochester Hills is the perfect area for Dime Store to grow and expand our dining experience to others.