



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

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TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Greg Hooper, City Council President
DATE: August 5, 2009
SUBJECT: Police & Road Funding Technical Review Committee Recommendations

On July 27, 2009 we continued our discussion regarding the Police & Road Technical Review Committee Recommendations. The number 1 ranked item within the 2009 Strongly Recommend group was Reference Item #5 – “Present to the voters a continuance millage (Not a new tax) for the debt bond expiring in September 2010. The discussion centered on two of the possible options listed in the July 22, 2009 memo, options A and E. Discussion on the ballot question was also entertained with Mr. Staran being directed to review some alternatives that were shorter in length.

To facilitate continued discussion, Mr. Webber and I have discussed and offer some additional possible alternatives to the two most discussed options; they are listed below in no particular order or preference:

Options:

- A) 4 Years, to maintain the existing contracted level of 59 uniformed officers for Police Protection Services.
- A1) Shall the City of Rochester Hills replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills with a levy of 0.4395 mills for four years in order to maintain the current level of law enforcement services and reduce dependency on the General Fund to fund those services?
 - A2) Shall the City of Rochester Hills replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills with a levy of 0.4395 mills for four years in order to maintain the current number of contracted positions and ensure a continued level of law enforcement services?
 - A3) Shall the City of Rochester Hills replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills with a levy of 0.4395 mills for four years in order for the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office maintain a proactive approach to crime and maintain their current level of service.
 - A4) Shall the City of Rochester Hills replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills with a levy of 0.4395 mills for four years in order to not compromise the number of officers and the current level of service provided by the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office?
 - A5) Shall the City of Rochester Hills replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills with a levy of 0.4395 mills for four years as an initial phase of providing a stable source of funding for law enforcement services and in order not to compromise the level of service the Oakland County Sheriff’s Office provides.

E) 10 Years, for the purposes of Local Roads, including but not limited to Road reconstruction and SAD funding for road and related projects.

E1) 10 Years for Local Road Maintenance, Reconstruction and provide for matching funds towards grant applications of Road Related projects.

E2) 10 Years for Local Road Rehabilitation and Reconstruction to provide matching funds to support SAD's, Grants and earmarks.

Please review and be prepared to discuss:

A) Should the discussion continue towards a proposal.

B) Should a proposal be placed on the 2009 November Ballot, and if so what should the language say.

C) Should the discussion be deferred for the 2010 Ballot.