



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2021-0145 V3

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Sara Roediger, Director of Planning and Economic Development, ext. 2573

DATE: April 30, 2021

SUBJECT: Request to receive and file the Final Report for 1021 Harding Ave.

REQUEST:

The City's Historic District Study Committee (HDSC) has completed its review of the property known as 1021 Harding Ave., and requests that City Council receives and files the Committee's Final Report for the site.

BACKGROUND:

The property is two acres and was designated by the City in 1978. The house was constructed in the later 1800's and was formerly Eureka Fruit Farm. The property is developed with a single family home, barn and two outbuildings. The home suffered a major fire approximately four years ago, and the applicant has submitted information indicating that the home no longer meets the criteria for historic designation. Pursuant to the owner's request for delisting, City Council granted review rights to the HDSC to study the property and prepare a report at its December 14, 2020 meeting.

The HDSC and the City's historic consultant, Kristine Kidorf, researched and studied the property and all known family names associated with the property and prepared a Preliminary Report. The Preliminary Report was forwarded to the State Historic Preservation Office and to the City's Planning Commission on March 16, 2021, and the Planning Commission made a motion determining that the delisting will not have any impact on the property with respect to the City's Master Land Use Plan or any other development related issues. On April 22, 2021, the HDSC held the required Public Hearing to receive comment regarding the request and Report. Prior to the public hearing, the HDSC met with the applicant twice. Following the April 22 public hearing, the HDSC adopted the Final Report and is forwarding it as directed by Council. Please see the attached minutes from all meetings.

SUMMARY:

Based on the research conducted by the Committee; the review comments received from the State Historic Preservation Office and the input provided at the public hearing, the HDSC completed its research and study on the property. The Committee concluded that the property does not meet the criteria for delisting a Local Historic District.

RECOMMENDATION:

The HDSC recommends that City Council receive and files the Final Report for 1021 Harding Ave.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney Yes N/A