



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

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**Legislative File No:** 2008-0111

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Scott Cope, Building Department, 248-656-4615  
**DATE:** March 7, 2008  
**SUBJECT:** Property Maintenance Ordinance

**REQUEST:**

City Council has requested staff to bring back Article II of the Property Maintenance Code presented to Council on August 8, 2007.

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 21, 2006, City Council directed the staff and City attorney to research and develop a Property Maintenance Ordinance to be presented to City Council. An update on the proposed ordinance was provided to Council on November 1, 2006. On November 30, 2006, the Building Department held a homeowner's association forum where residents indicated their desire to have input into the development of this ordinance. A presentation was developed and presented to residents at a homeowner's association forum held on February 22, 2007. With input from the residents, the Building Department put together a presentation for Council outlining the proposed ordinance with details of the specific ordinance language to be considered. The Building Department staff presented this to City Council at the March 7, 2007 Workshop. At that meeting, Council directed the City Attorney to draft a Property Maintenance Ordinance from the draft document presented by the Building Department staff. The draft ordinance was prepared and presented at a City Council workshop on August 1, 2007. At that workshop, Council directed the proposed ordinance to a Regular City Council meeting for first reading. On August 8, 2007, City Council denied first reading by resolution and directed staff to delete Article II of the ordinance related to external and internal building maintenance. Staff eliminated Article II and presented the Property Maintenance ordinance, Article I for first reading on Oct 24, 2007. Council approved first reading. Second reading was scheduled for November 14, 2007 and was approved by Council. Building department staff has been directed to present information related to the proposed Article II of the Property Maintenance Code at this City Council Workshop on March 17, 2007.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is staff's recommendation that City Council move forward with Article II of the proposed Property Maintenance Ordinance with the addition of Council comments.

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