



December 1st 2017

Dear Rochester Hills Mayor & Council,

On behalf of the Rochester Avon Recreation Authority, I submit to you the Fiscal Year 2017 budget amendment for your review. The RARA Board reviewed and approved the attached budget amendment at its December 1st board meeting.

The Fiscal year 2017 budget was submitted at a point in time in which RARA was in the process of negotiating terms and seeking to acquire the 480 E Second property to the west of RARA's main headquarters for additional recreational space. Once building acquisition was complete the 22,000 sq. ft. building was completely renovated and built out for recreational purposes. By April of 2017, RARA opened the new addition complete with 10,000 sq. ft. of multi court – multi sport gymnasiums, 8,000 sq. ft. of fitness and cardio equipment along with a large multipurpose group x room.

The Fiscal year 2017 budget was submitted as if the 480-building addition was fully operational and running projected programming for the entire fiscal year. RARA was unsure exactly when the 480 building would be fully operational and open for business along with providing lead time to build up membership and line up building rentals. The amended numbers for line items like fitness fees and building rental represent what was generated from April through December of 2017.

RARA is very pleased with the buildout of the 480 building and what the last three quarters of the fiscal produced in terms of activity at the new building. RARA is looking forward to 2018 and its first full year complete with its new building addition and focusing on building its memberships and facility rentals. At the same time utilizing the new program space for its current recreational offerings.

RARA is proud to offer extensive and varied recreational programs and provide our community with excellent leisure opportunities.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ronald Jewell', is placed above the printed name.

Ronald Jewell

Executive Director

Rochester Avon Recreation Authority