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WHEREAS the City Council of Rochester Hills swears an oath of office to uphold the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, with particular regard to prudence and wisdom in the disbursement of the taxes, levies, milleges and allocations of the hard-earned monies of its citizens,

WHEREAS the City Council of Rochester Hills acknowledges the imperative of transparency in its spending decisions and continuously strives to exercise discretion and restraint in its sacred duty to the public trust,

WHEREAS the City Council of Rochester Hills is a public body that is charged with hearing and taking into consideration all citizen input as a crucial tool in any decision process,

WHEREAS the City Council of Rochester Hills exercises due diligence in any contact with as well as all contractual obligations to the Detroit water Sewer department (DWSD),

WHEREAS the City Council of Rochester Hills thanks the Mayor, the Department of Public Service, the Water and Sewer Technical Review Committee and its citizens for all their valuable participation in the matter of devising both the best short as well as long-term solutions to the conservation of water and its delivery at the lowest possible cost to its rate payers,

BE IT THEN RESOLVED, that the City Council of Rochester Hills implore the Mayor to temporarily suspend all further engineering studies with Tetra Tech until these two critical benchmarks of conservation and cost have been thoroughly completed in a manner which is clearly understandable to the citizens of Rochester Hills in all areas of short and long-term ramifications,

FURTHER BE IT THEN RESOLVED, that the City Council of Rochester Hills request the Mayor to post on-line all contracts with Tetra Tech for the purposes of transparency, honesty and to allow for the indispensable further input and comment of the citizenry,

and RESOLVED, that the Mayor and staff deemed necessary to study and report on this matter be allotted the ample time necessary to present financial models that would clearly support or refute the validity of construction of water reservoirs and that the presentation of these financial models will be shown at a formal public hearing,

and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk's office will do its utmost to inform all citizens who have shown concern in the past construction of water reservoirs of date of such public hearing

and RESOLVED that the City Council of Rochester Hills will pass a formal resolution in support of a financial model that would support the construction of water reservoirs ONLY at such a public hearing,

and RESOLVED that the City Council of Rochester Hills will post a SECOND formal public hearing to determine the final locations of the two proposed water reservoirs, and Clerk's office would do its utmost to inform all citizens who have shown concern in the past construction of water reservoirs of such public hearing,

and RESOLVED that the City Council of Rochester Hills upon completion of those two benchmarks would then request the Mayor to lift the temporary suspension of all further engineering studies with Tetra Tech,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this resolution demonstrates that the Mayor and the City Council of Rochester Hills will continue to do its utmost to demonstrate all communications on these issues in a transparent and understandable manner and encourage formal public input on any decisions in the construction of water reservoirs in the City of Rochester Hills.