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Rochester Hills City Council  
City of Rochester Hills  
1000 Rochester Hills Drive  
Rochester Hills, Michigan 48309-3033

Re: RARA Millage

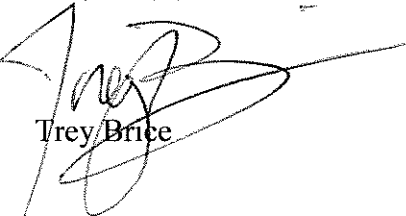
Dear City Council:

As directed by the City Council, I have prepared and enclose a proposed ballot question for the renewal and additional millage for the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA). The current RARA millage will begin levies this year.

Because the ballot proposal includes a renewal and an additional millage request, I have included an explanatory note on the ballot proposal for informational purposes; it is not intended to be printed as part of the question to the public. The General Property Tax Act, at MCL 211.24f(5), provides that a municipality may propose a joint-single question requesting both the renewal of a voter authorized millage and the authorization of a new additional millage if the additional millage is less than 0.5 mill. As the additional millage request is for 0.0364 mills, the City may place both the renewal and new additional millage request in the same ballot question.

In order to finalize the ballot proposal, Julie Jenuwine provided the amount of the first year millage in the last line of the proposal if the millage were to be authorized and levied in full.

Very truly yours,



Trey Brice

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cc w/ encls:

Mayor Pat Somerville  
Ms. Julie Jenuwine, City Fiscal Director  
Ms. Jane Leslie, City Clerk  
Mr. John Anderson, Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority

**BALLOT QUESTION**

**Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) Millage Renewal**

Shall the City of Rochester Hills renew and continue to levy the 0.1572 mill (\$0.1572 per \$1,000) (reduced by the Headlee Amendment from the original 0.1691 mill) and also levy a new additional 0.0378 mill (\$0.0378 per \$1,000) for a total of 0.1950 mill (\$0.1950 per \$1,000) to provide funds for the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) to enable it to provide adult and youth sports leagues and recreational activities, on the taxable value of all property assessed for taxes in the City for ten (10) years, beginning in 2006 and continuing through 2015, inclusive, which will provide an estimated revenue of \$702,390 if levied in full in the first year of such levy?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_\_\_ No

*(Explanatory Note: Pursuant to MCL 211.24f(5), the city is authorized to submit a single question asking for the renewal of a millage and an additional millage so long as the additional millage is not greater than 0.5 mill. Most recently the citizens approved a RARA millage of 0.1691, which has been reduced by Headlee to 0.1572 mill. The RARA millage expires this year and RARA would like to renew the present millage and increase the total millage to 0.1950 mill. As the additional millage increase is 0.0378 mill, the city may request for a renewal of the present millage and additional 0.0378 mill in one ballot question.)*