



# Rochester Hills Minutes City Council Work Session

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*Erik Ambrozaitis, Jim Duistermars, Barbara Holder, Greg Hooper,  
Linda Raschke, James Rosen, Ravi Yalamanchi*

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Wednesday, June 6, 2007

7:30 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

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## CALL TO ORDER

*President Rosen called the Rochester Hills City Council Work Session Meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Michigan Time.*

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** Erik Ambrozaitis, Barbara Holder, Greg Hooper, James Rosen and Ravi Yalamanchi

**Absent:** Jim Duistermars and Linda Raschke

## Others Present:

*Bryan Barnett, Mayor  
Paul Davis, City Engineer  
Julie Jenuwine, Director of Finance  
Jane Leslie, City Clerk  
Leanne Scott, City Council Coordinator  
Roger Rousse, Director of DPS/Engineering  
John Staran, City Attorney*

*Council Member Linda Raschke provided previous notice she would be unable to attend and asked to be excused.*

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## REVIEW OF AGENDA

City Council removed the following agenda item under Administration at the request of Administration.

2007-0372 Request for Approval of a tax exemption for Maple Mold Technologies

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Mr. Lee Zendell, 1575 Dutton Road, commented on the closing of the Fresh Market Store after being opened for business in Rochester Hills for only seven months.*

**(Mr. Duistermars Entered at 7:36 p.m.)**

**Present:** Erik Ambrozaitis, Jim Duistermars, Barbara Holder, Greg Hooper, James Rosen and Ravi Yalamanchi

**Absent:** Linda Raschke

## LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

**Ms. Holder** stated the Rochester Hills Fire Department is sponsoring a "Ride For a Cause" for the American Cancer Society on Sunday, June 10th with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. She further advised the ride begins at the Rochester Hills Fire Department on Livernois Road and will continue through many Fire Stations throughout Oakland and Lapeer Counties.

**Mr. Ambrozaitis** thanked all the men and women who have served our Country in the military.

**Mayor Barnett** noted the following events and projects for the City of Rochester Hills:

1) Saturday, June 9, 2007 is "River Day." The event will begin at the Rochester Municipal Park in the morning and there will be activities along the river throughout the day.

2) The Shadow Woods Paving Project has begun and materials taken from that project have been used to resurface the Clinton River Trail Pathway.

3) The City is sponsoring a Stream Bank Restoration Workshop in conjunction with the Clinton River Watershed Council on Monday, June 18, 2007 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

4) The Department of Public Service (DPS) received a Grant for updating the Security System in the new DPS facility.

## PRESENTATIONS

2007-0305

Clinton Oakland Sewage Disposal System Presentation, John McCulloch, Drain Commissioner for Oakland County, presenter

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Presentation.pdf; COSDS Mgmt Agmt.pdf

**Mr. John McCulloch**, Oakland County Drain Commissioner, **Mr. Tim Prince**, Oakland County Drain Commissioner's Office, and **Mr. Robert Czachorski**, Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, gave a presentation on the Clinton Oakland Sewage Disposal System. The following is a synopsis of that presentation:

### 1996 Management Agreement

\* Recognized the importance of managing capacity in the system

\* Allowed for a maximum assignment capacity above the purchased capacities for the seven communities along the Clinton-Oakland branch

\* Stipulated a monthly penalty and other disincentives for exceeding purchased capacity

\* Allocated Interceptor I/I & penalties will be based on purchased capacity

### Objectives of the Reporting System

\* Enforce the COSDS 1996 Management Agreement

- \* *Bill based on more equitable methodology*
- \* *Encourage incentives for I/I control & reduction*
- \* *Proactively meet the State Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Policy*
- \* *Serve as a diagnostic tool for system performance*

#### Billing Procedures Review

- \* *Previous billing was based primarily on Residential Equivalent Units (REU)*
- \* *New bill = total volume + peak flow charge*
- \* *Mock bills for new methodology computed for 1 year prior to implementation*
- \* *New billing system planned to be on line July 2007*

#### Metering System Enhancements

*Twenty-eight new meters have been added to the system to improve accuracy of results*

*Periodic meter dye testing to verify accuracy of meters*

*Interceptor I/I allocation methodology*

*Mass flow balance tool*

*Hydraulic model to account for routing effects*

*We weather hydrologic models to verify peak flow rates*

#### Billing Procedure - Volume

- \* *Base charge for total volume from each City, Village & Township (CVT)*
- \* *Interceptor I/I adjustments will be made to appropriately distribute these costs*
- \* *New meters will provide much better estimates*
- \* *Sewage flow metering is not an exact science*

#### Results

- \* *Two quarters processed so far:*
- \* *Q4 2006: July 2006 - September 2006*
- \* *Q1 2007: October 2006 - December 2006*
- \* *Q2 2007 is in progress*

*Mr. McCulloch reviewed the Billing Methodology comparison for various communities in Oakland County comparing current methodology (Residential Equivalent Units) and the new methodology (flow basis) including accounts for actual sewage generating accounts for I/I levels in local systems and accounts for Interceptor I/I. He further reviewed peak flow results for their communities.*

*Mr. McCulloch concluded by reviewing the following objectives:*

- Bill based on more equitable methodology
- Enforce the operating agreements
- Serve as a diagnostic tool for system performance
- Encourage incentives for I/I control & reduction
- Pro actively meet the State SSO Policy

*He reiterated that flow metering meets the objectives better than current REU methodology.*

**Mayor Barnett** asked how closely the new program could locate a problematic area within the City's six districts.

**Mr. Robert Czachorski**, Orchard Hiltz, & McCliment, stated the program could narrow it down to one of the six districts; then, within that district the City would have to use other diagnostic tools to identify where within the district the problem is located.

**Mayor Barnett** asked what tools were available to locate the problem area within a sewer district.

**Mr. Roger Rouse**, Director of DPS/Engineering, replied there are three processes to locate a problem within a sewer district.

- 1) Look at water usage by examining the metered billings.
- 2) Observe whether it discharges into the sanitary sewer, or outside of the home.
- 3) Conduct a Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study.

*He advised that in 2008 the City will have the Asset Management Program in place, which will not only locate the problem area, but will give a cost for the repair as well.*

**Mayor Barnett** questioned how much time would lapse before a problem was observed.

**Mr. Tim Prince**, Oakland County Drain Commission, stated the meter data is almost real time, and if there were a problem, then it would be noticed right away.

**Mr. Yalamanchi** inquired when the peak flow is in excess, is the rate charged on a fixed amount or does the rate increase.

**Mr. McCulloch** replied the rate increases every year based on the Engineering Construction Index.

**Mr. Czachorski** explained that due to the fact that Rochester Hills is downstream of the Clinton Oakland, the pipe is fairly large that goes through the City because it serves other communities that are upstream. He stated that due to the fact that there is inflow and infiltration flowing into the interceptor from other communities, that cost should be shared with those communities. He further stated there is a procedure in place for estimating that cost, and it would be deducted from the Rochester Hills' flow rate charge.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Mr. Lee Zendel**, 1575 Dutton, questioned how exact is the sewage flow metering.

**Mr. Czachorski** stated that a dye test would be performed to check the accuracy of a flow meter noting that a good dye test could indicate the accuracy of a flow meter within 2 to 3%.

**Mr. Zendel** asked if any meter would be 100% accurate.

**Mr. McCulloch** stated no meter would be 100% accurate when dealing with a sewer system.

**Mr. Bill Windscheif**, 2872 River Trail, asked if there was a separation between a sanitary sewer and a storm water sewer.

**Mr. Rouse** stated Rochester Hills was designed with a separate sanitary sewer and a separate storm sewer. He further stated that since there is inflow and infiltration observed by the County's evaluation of the City's sewer system that the City needs to determine from where the excess flow is coming.

**Mr. Windscheif** commented that \$600,000 was a substantial savings for the City; especially with the current economic constraints the City is facing.

**Mr. Paul Miller**, 1021 Harding Avenue, asked what was the major source of in flowing water into the sanitary sewer in Rochester Hills.

**Mr. Rouse** replied that it would be leaking manholes or leaking joints in the pipes buried in the ground.

**Mr. Miller** questioned what happens to the lift stations in case of a power outage.

**Mr. Rouse** stated the City has a combination of stationary and mobile generators that can be placed at the pump stations. He further stated that some pump station sites have generators that turn on automatically when there is a power outage.

**Mr. McCulloch** commented that the major interceptors the County operates has not experienced a disruption of service because of their generator sources.

**Mr. Duistermars** stated concerns that sewer leaks have an environmental impact and need to be repaired.

**Mr. Rouse** stated many sewers have been rehabilitated in the past seven years. He further stated that fortunately there is a number of new technologies that allow City staff to alternate methods of controlling infiltration without digging up the sewer, and the methods are very cost effective.

**Presented**

**(Recess at 8:41 p.m. to 8:46 p.m.)**

## **ADMINISTRATION**

**2007-0366**

Discussion regarding the recommendation of an Ordinance Amendment for Water and Sewer Rates and Fees effective July 6, 2007

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Presentation.pdf; Exhibits A-E.pdf; Ordinance.pdf; Agenda Summary 060607.pdf; Resolution 061307.pdf; Resolution.pdf

**Ms. Julie Jenuwine**, Director of Finance, gave a presentation to convey the Water and Sewer Technical Review Rate Committee's recommendation for rates effective in July 2007.

### CITY CHARTER AND ORDINANCES

Authorizes the rate revision as follows:

The fixed rates in this section shall be reviewed annually and are estimated to be

sufficient to provide for the payment of the expenses of administration and operation, such expenses for maintenance of the water and sewage disposal system that are necessary to preserve the system in good repair and working order and to provide for such other expenditures and funds for the system as this article may require.

#### WATER AND SEWER FINANCIAL POLICIES

##### \*OPERATING AND CAPITAL FUND

\* System revenues support the full (direct and indirect) cost of the water and sewage disposal services.

\* Two separate Funds - Operating Fund and a Capital Fund  
- The Capital Fund was created in 2005 to provide for a means of keeping the operating and capital monies separate.

\* Water and Sewer Operating Fund

\* 90 days operating costs + annual depreciation = target balance Currently \$8.7 million (\$6 million was swept from the Operating Fund to the Capital Fund).

\* The Capital & Lateral (non-operating) revenue is transferred to the W & S Capital Fund (currently \$1 million, and projected to decline and ultimately end).

\* Annual depreciation is transferred to the W & S Capital Fund (currently \$3.1 million).

\* Water & Sewer Capital Fund

\* Annual depreciation is transferred out of the W & S Operating Fund to the Capital Fund to help finance future infrastructure/capital.

\* The Capital & Lateral revenue is transferred to the Capital Fund to fund future infrastructure/capital.

\* There currently is no policy on the usage or build-up of the monies

#### SYSTEM'S FINANCIAL CONDITIONS AND TRENDS

##### Water & Sewer System - significant financial trends (Pendulum swing)

\* cash balances

1993 = \$44 million

2006 = \$19 million

\* Infrastructure replacement costs (today)

watermain = \$247 million

sewer = \$165 million lining of sewer is occurring as opposed to complete replacement

\* Annual interest income historically used to offset expenditures

1995 = \$3.2 million

2006 = \$575,000 - Operating Fund only

\* Capital & Lateral (non-operating) revenue historically used to offset rates

*In summary:*

*\* The City is nearly developed - receiving declining capital and lateral revenue, which was once subsidizing operations. Now Capital & Lateral Revenue is funding a portion of the capital costs. This revenue source will dry-up once City is built out.*

*\* The City's infrastructure is aging but cash balances are now much lower than in prior years, which results in less cash for future replacement of capital.*

*\* Some of the infrastructure was donated by developers, but it's the City's responsibility and cost to replace.*

*\* Historically the City used a significant amount of interest income to help offset operating expenses rather than through rates.*

### DETROIT WATER & SEWAGE DEPARTMENT (DWSD) WATER RATES

#### Water & Sewage Commodity

*\* DWSD (Rochester Hills is a first tier customer) provides the City's water.*

*\* DWSD and OCDC (Rochester Hills is a second tier customer) provide the City's sewage disposal.*

#### DWSD's Water Rates

*\* Use the "Base-Extra Capacity" rate methodology - currently*

*\* This method recognizes that not only base service is provided, but extra capacity is provided to meet peak demands*

*\* DWSD estimates annual system costs, calculates Units of Service for each customer, then identifies the costs for the Units of Service*

*\* Eleven cost functions make up the rate*

*Base, Maximum Day Increment, Peak Hour Increment, Base Distance, Maximum Day Distance, Peak Hour Distance, Base Distance Elevation, Max Distance - Elevation, Peak Hour Distance Elevation, Customer A and Customer B*

*\* A community's Distance, Elevation and Peak demand currently set its rate apart from other DWSD customer rates*

*In general terms under current rate methodology*

*\* Distance - the miles from the customers connection(s) to the DWSD System*

*\* Elevation - the measured elevation difference between the customer connection(s) and the average elevation of each of the five water treatment plants*

*\* Peak - the factor assigned by measuring the customers demand when DWSD is at its highest supply (coincidental)*

#### DWSD's Water Rates 2007/2008

*\* System-wide increase is approximately 6%*

*\* Rochester Hills increase is approximately 17%*

*- From \$17.18 per MCF to \$20.14*

*- Treatment \$ 5.42*

- Pipes and meters \$ 2.60
- Storage and pumping \$12.12

\* Rochester Hills' increase over the system increase is mostly due to the peak factor.

Note: MCF = 1000 cubic feet

\* In 2003, a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was established to improve collaboration between the DWSD and its customers.

- A "model contract group" was created to work on a new model contract/agreement between DWSD and its customers.

- A "water rates group" was established by the TAC to explore the current rate methodology (peak, distance and elevation factors). One main objective was to reduce rate volatility.

\* A new water model contract roll-out in 2007 to all customers.

\* DWSDS hopes to have communities signed for the 2008/2009 rate season.

\* Preliminary new (2008/2009) rate impact roll-out this year (possible) changes may be: City negotiates its volume and pressure, reallocation of costs). Rate methodology is unknown at this time.

#### OAKLAND COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSION (OCDC) SEWAGE DISPOSAL RATES

##### OCDC Sewage Disposal Rates

##### 2007/2008 OCDC Rate

* DWSD	Rate Charge	\$10.79
	Fixed Monthly	\$ .76
OCDC	O & M Charge	<u>\$ 1.82</u>
		\$ 13.37 MCF
		up 3%
	(current rate \$12.98)	

\* Currently the sewage disposal is billed by OCDC based on an assumed consumption amount (3200 MCF per quarter), meaning actual sewage is not metered for billing purposes, as water is metered.

\* Starting July 2007, the City flow will be measured by OCDC and the City will be billed accordingly.

The change in sewer disposal has affects in the City

OCDC estimates that the City's billed consumption by OCDC will increase based on the new billing method; yet consumption billed by Rochester Hills to its customers will remain relatively constant OCDC is projecting a 20% increase in billable consumption mostly due to Inflow and Infiltration.

\* The sewage consumption the City bills to its customers will need to cover the sewage consumption the OCDC bills the City. This will cause the City sewage rate to increase substantially, to cover the cost to treat the Inflow and Infiltration.

#### ROCHESTER HILLS WATER & SEWER RATE MARK UP - OPERATING AND CAPITAL REVENUE AND EXPENSES



COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Water & Sewage Customer Charge - no change

Water Commodity Charge - 17% increase  
Sewage Commodity Charge - 13% increase

Capacity Charge - 3% increase

Flat Rate Sewage Charge - 13% increase

**Mr. Lee Zendel**, 1575 Dutton, commented that the Black & Veatch Study in years past led Council to make a determination that the City would give back to the residents capital and lateral money by undercharging what the water was costing the City.

**Ms. Melinda Hill**, 1481 Mill Race, stated our City's water and sewer rates are lower than other surrounding communities.

**Mr. Yalamanchi** stated that \$30,000,000 has been given back to Rochester Hills residents in subsidizing the water and sewer rates. He further stated that there will not be an increase in customer charges this year, and looking at the projections for the next two or three years; customer charges should decrease.

**Mr. Duistermars** stated that water and sewer is a fundamental service of the City and the City needs to keep it up to date so there are no problems in the future.

**Mr. Thomas Zelinski**, 1127 Kingsview, inquired if peak demand is part of the City of Detroit's water rate calculation, and has the City considered revisiting the option of building reservoirs. He stated if the water rates are being raised, then the City should be proactive to mitigate the increases.

**President Rosen** stated that it is definitely lawn sprinkling, whether it is private residences or companies, which raise the peak water flow into the City. He further stated that it is not how much water is used when doing the lawn sprinkling, but it is the time of day when it is used.

**Ms. Jenuwine**, Director of Finance, stated since 2003 the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has been meeting regarding restructuring the entire DWSD rate methodology because of the peak factor. She advised when the group comes back with a recommendation, and depending on what that recommendation is, and how that methodology is structured at that time, it could be advantageous to review the reservoir situation. She informed Council that if the City built a reservoir for payback purposes, she did not believe it would be prudent to look at that until the TAC comes back with a rate methodology.

**Discussed**

**(Recess at 9:56 p.m. to 10:07 p.m.)**

**2007-0367**

Discussion regarding the recommendation to suspend the sale of area maintenance meters

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Ordinance.pdf; DWSD's Coincidental Water Peak.pdf; Misc Articles.pdf

**Ms. Julie Jenuwine**, Director of Finance, explained that the Area Maintenance Meter is an optional second water meter that can be purchased by a customer; essentially the water that flows through that meter is deducted as a sewage discount. She estimated that about 40% of the Rochester Hills customers currently have an Area Maintenance Meter. The Technical Advisory Committee was concerned about the peak factor that will ultimately raise the water rates for Rochester Hills citizens. She felt if the sale of the Area Maintenance Meter was eliminated, then perhaps that would discourage citizens and businesses from lawn maintenance sprinkling, which is driving up the peak water demand; thus raising water rates for all customers. She noted the following items to discourage the use of the Area Maintenance Meters:

- 1) Have an Ordinance Officer to enforce restrictions on the use of the Area Meter.
- 2) Do not allow the residents with the Area Maintenance Meters to have a 100% discount; alter that to a 75% discount.
- 3) Discontinue future sales of the Area Maintenance Meter in hopes of curbing the continued peak demand that the City has, which ultimately is increasing the City's water rates..

**Mr. Hooper** commented that the Area Maintenance Meter encourages water consumption and discourages conservation. He stated that by charging a reduction in the water rate for those who have a meter, provides an incentive to do so. He further stated that he supported the suspension of the sale of Area Maintenance Meters.

**Mr. Duistermars** inquired if the suspension of Area Maintenance Meters was just for future sales, so the residents who already own one can continue to receive the water rate reduction.

**Mr. John Staran**, City Attorney, stated the way the Ordinance is written it would not affect anyone who currently has an Area Maintenance Meter installed, it would just stop future sales of the meter.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Mr. Lee Zendel**, 1575 Dutton, supported the Ordinance, but asked Council to go no further in discussing the issue until it is known whether DWSD is going to eliminate the peak factor.

**Ms. Melinda Hill**, 1481 Mill Race, encouraged the Water & Sewer Technical Rate Review Committee to investigate how to stop the use of the Area Maintenance Meters and start conserving water in the community.

#### **COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

**Mr. Duistermars** questioned if the City should be dealing with the water peak problem or offset the peak charges using other methods such as building a reservoir for the water.

**Mr. Ambrozaitis** stated his support for this Ordinance and acknowledged that residents of Rochester Hills need to conserve water.

**Ms. Julie Jenuwine**, Director of Finance, commented that a member of the Water & Sewer Technical Rate Review Committee would like to continue committee meetings to discuss the Area Maintenance Meters.

**Discussed**

2007-0327

Request for Approval of Michelson Pump Station Improvements

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; HRC Study.pdf; Resolution.pdf

**Mr. Paul Davis**, City Engineer, stated the problems the City is experiencing with the Michelson Pump Station its susceptibility to flooding. He gave the following two options for Council to discuss on repairing or rebuilding the Pump Station:

1) Raise the Pump Station in its current location and bring it above the 697 flood plain elevation so when the area floods, the station will not have standing water on it. The preliminary cost for this repair has been estimated at \$40,000.

2) Reconstruct the Pump Station on the same parcel, but at a different location on higher ground. Initially the relocating and reconstruction was budgeted for \$350,000, but the Hubbell Roth and Clark information suggested a little lower budget of about \$301,000 for the project.

**Mr. Hooper** asked how many residents the Michelson Pump Station serves.

**Mr. Davis** replied that thousands of residents tributaries to this lift station.

**Mr. Hooper** stated that in a major catastrophic event, if the station fails, sewage would then back up into residents homes and the City's cost would be in excess of \$300,000. He stated his support for the relocation of the Pump Station to avoid any catastrophic failure in the future.

**Mr. Rousse** stated there is a generator at the Pump Station that would be used for the new station, so the power issue has been addressed.

#### Discussed

2007-0342

Request for Approval of Washington Road Paving (East of Tienken to Dequindre)  
Preliminary Engineering Tri-Party Agreement

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Tri-Party Agreement.pdf; E-mail Shumejko 062007.pdf; Resolution.pdf

**Mr. Paul Davis**, City Engineer, stated Washington Road had been submitted by City staff to the Oakland County Road Commission for acceptance in their "Gravel to Pavement Program".

**Mr. Duistermars** asked what was the City of Rochester Hills' portion of the Tri-Party Fund.

**Mr. Davis** stated the Road Commission of Oakland County and Oakland County would contribute 2/3 of the cost, and the City of Rochester Hills and the City of Rochester would share the remaining third. He further stated City staff would coordinate the paving of Washington Road with the installation of all of the utilities; either being installed first or at the same time the road is being constructed.

**Ms. Melinda Hill**, 1481 Mill Race, stated she would like to see the water lines installed in the road before the pavement process began. She further stated that Washington Road runs through two historic districts. She noted the street scape of the road has many older Black Walnut and Oak Trees and she does not want to see them destroyed to install the water and sewer lines. She stated concerns regarding the speed of the cars that would be traveling on Washington Road.

**Mr. Davis** reminded Council that the Federal Funds for the paving of Washington Road was only being offered by the County, and should Council decide not to accept them, the County would let another community utilize the funds. He stated the utility installation in the

road was within the City's control.

**Mr. Yalamanchi** asked if there was sufficient time to address concerns of the residents.

**Mr. Davis** stated Washington Road paving is in the 2008 CIP, and felt there was time to address the residents concerns.

**Mr. Ambrozaitis** stated he was in favor of having a Public Hearing to let the residents bring all of their concerns to Council.

**Mr. Rouse** stated the Engineering Studies were for the residents to evaluate whether or not they want to go forward with this project. He further stated that the Engineering Studies look at the topography, the trees, and inventories the trees to provide a better picture of what the road will look like when completed. He advised that the proposed construction date is 2010 or 2011.

**Mr. Hooper** asked upon Engineering approval, would it be feasible for the water to be installed in the middle of the road.

**Mr. Davis** stated there would be engineers outside of City staff that would be designing the water and sewer routes.

**Mr. Davis** stated there are different categories of Federal Funds for roads and this fund has been specifically allocated for paving gravel roads. He further stated that when City staff became aware of funds available for paving gravel roads, they chose to make a request for Washington Road, and was surprised when it was accepted so quickly. He commented City staff anticipated that the Washington Road residents would be receptive of having the road paved due to the conditions of the road that they deal with on a daily basis.

#### **Discussed**

**2007-0372**

Request for Approval of a tax exemption for Maple Mold Technologies

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Agenda Summary 062007.pdf; Letter Maple Mold 052307.pdf; T&D Community Approvals.pdf; 2007 MMA T&D Members.pdf; Tax Chart 2008.pdf; Revised Financial Analysis.pdf; Resolution.pdf

#### **Withdrawn**

**2007-0369**

Request for Purchase/Contribution Authorization - MAYOR: Self-insurance (general Liability, motor vehicle physical damage, property, crime coverage) blanket purchase order/contributions in the amount not to exceed \$612,000 through June 30, 2008; Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, Livonia, MI

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Resolution.pdf

**Ms. Julie Jenuwine**, Director of Finance, stated the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) has accumulated net assets that were beyond what the actuarial data slated that they keep on hand. She further stated that in 2006 their Board decided to make a distribution of a portion of those additional net assets and the City of Rochester Hills received a distribution of about \$38,000; it has been reported to Ms. Jenuwine that the City will receive about \$90,000 in 2007 after the renewal amount has been paid. She commented that she chose the option of receiving a check, verses using the monies being returned towards any payments the City would owe, as a means of showing the funds progressing through our accounting channels.

*President Rosen* stated that he and *Mr. Staran*, City Attorney, have had discussions regarding whether or not there are alternatives, and they came to a conclusion that there are not.

**Discussed**

## CITY COUNCIL

**2007-0200** Discussion of the ballot question for the Police II Millage Renewal

**Attachments:** Agenda Summary.pdf; Ballot Language.pdf; Deadlines.pdf; Response from State.pdf; 060607 Agenda Summary.pdf; 042607 Ballot Language.pdf; Add'l Election Info.pdf; Resolution.pdf

*President Rosen* stated that if Council chose two Millage Proposals one for placement on the September Primary Election, and the other in the November General Election, the City would vote in the Primary; after the language for the November General Election had been submitted.

*Mr. Ambrozaitis* was in support of putting the Police II Millage Proposal on the November ballot, and if it was not needed, it could be withdrawn.

*Mr. Hooper* stated he was confident that the Police II Millage would pass at either election, September or November. He further stated he supported the Millage Proposal to go on the September Ballot due to the budget process, and the forwarding of Millage Rates to the County.

*Ms. Jenuwine*, Director of Finance, stated if there was not a September Election, then the City would submit to the County their Millage Rates without the Police II Millage, and the City would be allowed to submit the Millage Rates after the November Election.

*Mr. Yalamanchi* stated he was in favor of placing the Police II Millage Rate proposal on the November Election Ballot.

**Discussed**

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

*Mr. Ambrozaitis* asked if the Blight Ordinance would be before Council in the near future.

*Mr. John Staran*, City Attorney, advised he was in the process of combining all of the City's property regulations into one new Ordinance Chapter. He commented that the Ordinance is quite lengthy, but it will be a more efficient means of finding information regarding City codes.

## NEXT MEETING DATE

Regular Meeting - Wednesday, June 13, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before Council, President Rosen adjourned the meeting at 11:50 p.m.

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*JAMES ROSEN, President  
Rochester Hills City Council*

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*JANE LESLIE, Clerk  
City of Rochester Hills*

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*SUE SMITH  
Administrative Secretary  
City Clerk's Office*

*Approved as presented at the July 25, Regular City Council Meeting.*