

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Julie Jenuwine, Finance Director

DATE: May 13, 2008

SUBJECT: Financial Policies - Review and Discussion

REQUEST:

To request that City Council review and finalize the financial policies for the City in preparation for FY2009 and possibly beyond.

BACKGROUND:

Financial polices are established in an effort to guide the budget process, focus discussion and improve decision making by providing clear, agreed-upon parameters for the City administration. The City's <u>financial policies</u> should be reviewed to ensure continued relevance and also to identify any gaps that need to be addressed with *new* policies. Enclosed is the current list of financial policies presented in the FY2008 Budget Plan Document along with some additional policies (underlined) that City Council considered in March of 2008.

Should the City Council agree with the financial policy to authorize the Mayor to perform "budget adjustments", the administration would like to initiate that process in the current fiscal year. This process could begin with the adoption of the FY2008 2nd quarter budget amendment resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

To recommend that City Council adopt their financial policies for the City in preparation for FY2009 and possibly beyond.

<u>RESOLUTION</u>

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