

**City of Rochester Hills**  
**Assessing Department**

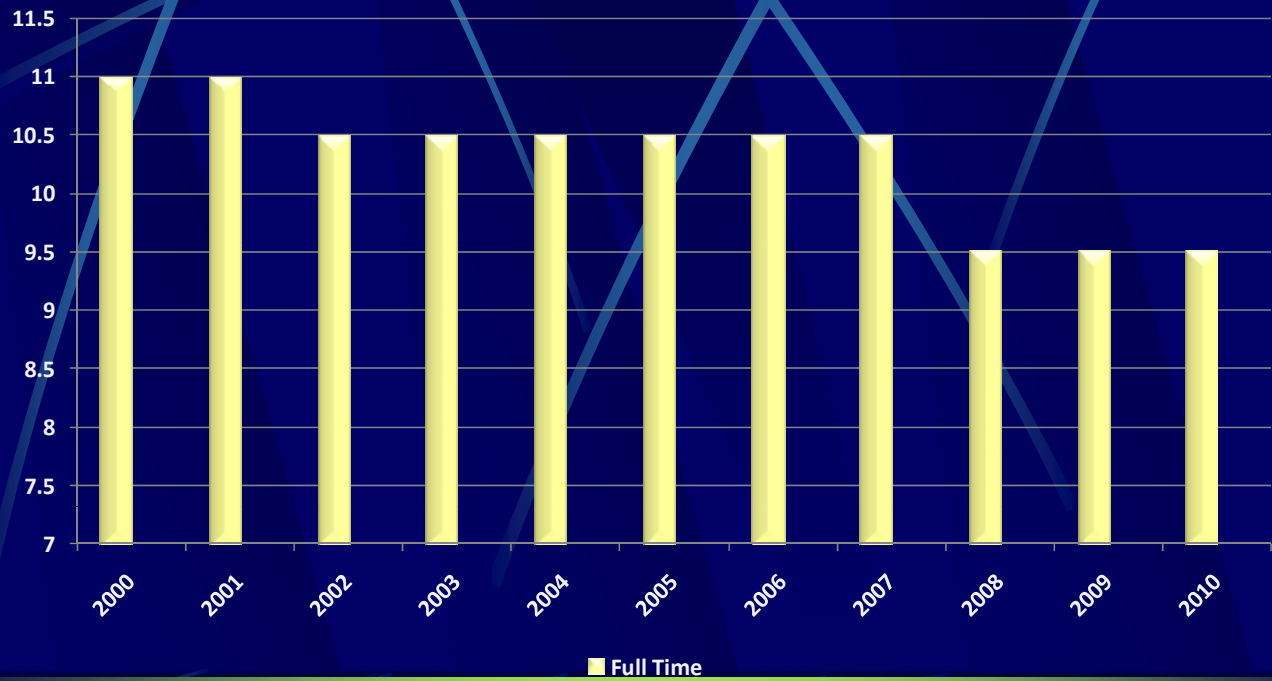
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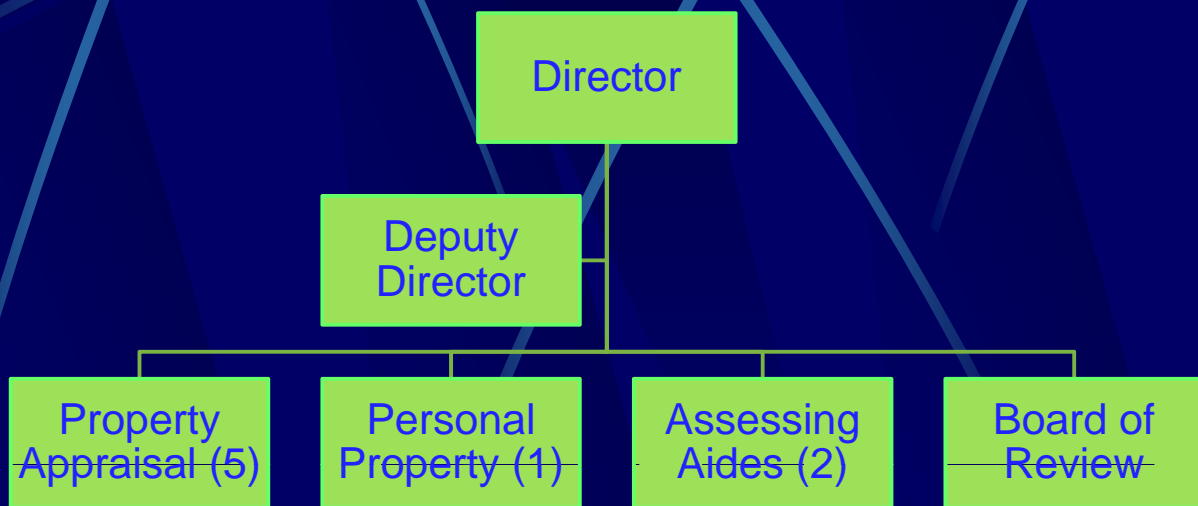
## Assessing Department

- **The assessing staff ensures the assessment & tax rolls are lawful, accurate and equitably distribute the property tax burden according to State Law**
- **To ensure accurate records, we maintain real property reappraisal and personal property audit programs**
- **The volume of appeals to the Michigan Tax Tribunal have increased significantly the past few years**
- **Property records are being converted to an electronic format for more ready access via the internet**
- **The overall budget is up 1.7% due primarily to Health & Optical costs and Inter-fund Charges (MIS)**

## Assessing Department Budgeted Staff 2000-2010



## Assessing Department 2010 Organizational Chart



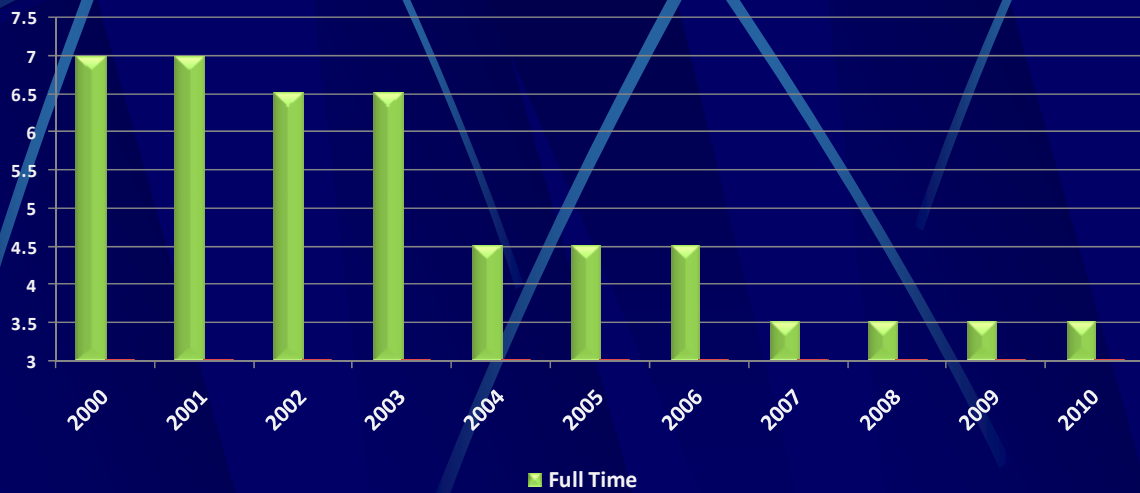


**City of Rochester Hills  
Treasury Department**

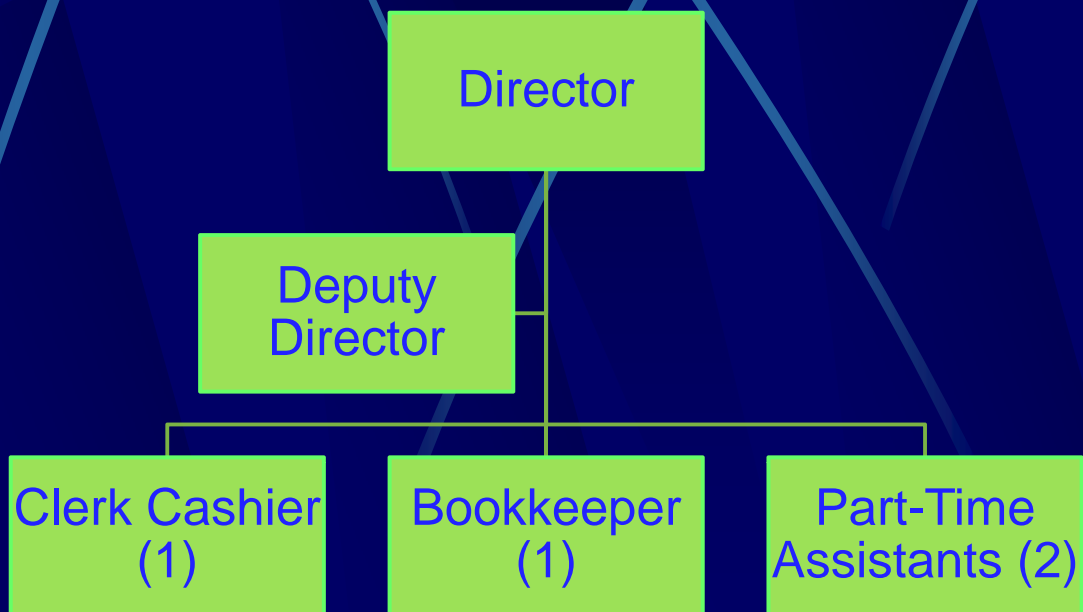
## Treasury Department

- **The staff of 3.5 employees plus part time assistance strive to effectively manage the timely collection, distribution and prudent investment of City funds**
- **The City's primary banking services are provided by Bank of America**
- **We seek departmental efficiencies through the research of new banking services and related electronic based technologies**
- **The overall budget for 2010 is down roughly 4% due to decreases in Health & Optical, Office Supplies and Inter-fund Charges. Operating supplies increased due to increased postage costs**

# Treasury Department Budgeted Staff 2000-2010



# Treasury Department 2010 Organizational Chart







**City of Rochester Hills  
Board of Review**

## Board of Review

- **The Board is required by the GPTL and the City Charter**
- **The City has three 3-member boards with a potential for an alternate for each Board**
- **March Boards hear current year valuation appeals only**
- **July & December Boards correct Clerical Errors and Mutual mistakes of fact, and Property Homestead Status**
- **There has been a significant increase in the number of appointments before the Board the past three years**
- **Our objective is to effectively manage the higher volume of appeals while maintaining petition files that result in fair and equitable decisions by the boards**