



# Rochester Hills Minutes

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## City Council Regular Meeting

*Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D., Ryan Deel, Dale A. Hetrick, James Kubicina,  
Jenny McCardell, Stephanie Morita and Mark A. Tisdel*

**Vision Statement:** *The Community of Choice for Families and Business*

**Mission Statement:** *"Our mission is to sustain the City of Rochester Hills as the premier community of choice to live, work and raise a family by enhancing our vibrant residential character complemented by an attractive business community."*

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Monday, August 13, 2018

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

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### CALL TO ORDER

*President Tisdel called the Regular Rochester Hills City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Michigan Time.*

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 7 - Susan M. Bowyer, Ryan Deel, Dale Hetrick, James Kubicina, Jenny McCardell, Stephanie Morita and Mark A. Tisdel

### Others Present:

*Bryan Barnett, Mayor  
Tina Barton, City Clerk  
Alan Buckenmeyer, Parks Manager  
Paul Davis, Deputy Public Service Director/City Engineer  
Matt Einheuser, Natural Resources Manager  
Todd Gary, Deputy Fire Chief  
Pamela Gordon, Human Resources Director  
Kevin Krajewski, Acting Information Services Director  
Captain Michael Johnson, Oakland County Sheriff's Office  
Gary Nauts, Facilities Manager  
Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer  
John Staran, City Attorney  
Danielle Szajna, Youth Council Liaison  
Pamela Valentik, Economic Development Manager  
Maria Willett, Chief Assistant to the Mayor*

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Bowyer, that the Agenda be Approved as Amended to remove Legislative File 2018-0111 Request to consider the approval of a Lot Split for the property at 3456 York and vacant Helda Hill Lane. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

## **COUNCIL AND YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Paint Creek Trailways Commission (PCTC):**

*Dr. Bowyer reported that the latest Paint Creek Trail newsletter has just been published. She noted that the newsletter contains information on next year's bridge project and trail resurfacing. She announced that the Labor Day Bridge Walk will begin at the Rochester Municipal Park on Monday, September 3, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. Participants can do a "friendly run" untimed 5K or 10K. The walk is free; however, a \$5 per family donation is requested. She noted that she is the volunteer coordinator, and encouraged anyone willing to help to please sign up.*

### **Green Space Advisory Board (GSAB):**

*Dr. Bowyer reported that last Saturday's Green Space Hike was held at the White Green Space just north of Innovation Hills. She noted that signs have been installed to mark the green space. The next Saturday Hike will be held at the Harding Green Space on September 8, 2018. Participants can use the RiverCrest parking lot and access the site off of the Clinton River Trail near Rochester College. The October 13, 2018 Hike will take place at the Ruby Property.*

### **Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA):**

*Mr. Deel reported that registration for RARA's fall programs is now available online at RARAREcreation.org.*

### **Older Persons' Commission (OPC):**

*Mr. Kubicina announced that OPC's Senior Day will be held on September 12, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Bloomer Park. He noted that OPC is celebrating 35 years. The event is free; however, participants are encouraged to preregister. He mentioned that the event has 14 sponsors, including Mayor Barnett.*

### **Deer Management Advisory Committee (DMAC):**

*Mr. Kubicina reported that the DMAC has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in Conference Room 130.*

### **Public Safety and Infrastructure Technical Review Committee (PSITRC):**

*Ms. McCardell reported that the PSITRC will hold its next meeting on September 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. The PSITRC will discuss drainage and stormwater issues.*

## PRESENTATIONS

2018-0327 2017/2018 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Final Report

Attachments: [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)

*Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Representatives (RHGYC) **Sesilia Kammo**, Chairperson, and **Grace Currier**, Vice Chairperson, welcomed **Mr. Deel** as Council Liaison to the RHGYC this year, and presented the RHGYC's year-end final report. They highlighted the many projects that the RHGYC members participated in this past year, including the following:*

- *Manned the City's water table along Avon Road at the Brooksie Way.*
- *Helping at the City's Family Fun Night at the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm.*
- *Participated in Carson's Community Days Fund Raiser.*
- *Assisted at the City Council Swearing-In Ceremony.*
- *Organized a Winter Clothing Drive for the Rochester Area Neighborhood House.*
- *Participated in Barnes & Noble's gift wrapping fund raiser.*
- *Painted faces and served hot chocolate at the Rochester Hometown Parade.*
- *Volunteered at Rochester's Fire and Ice Festival.*
- *Helped at the Rochester Area Youth Assistance's Spaghetti Dinners and Pancake Breakfast.*
- *Participated in the Joint Planning Commission/City Council Planning Session for the Master Plan.*
- *Helped out at the Mayor's State of the City Address.*
- *Held a Youth Summit to promote leadership and what it takes to be a good leader for middle and high school students.*
- *Volunteered at the Back to the Beach Half-Marathon.*
- *Planted flowers and perennials in the City Hall Garden outside of the Mayor's Office.*
- *Hosted the Annual 5K Run/Walk. This year's walk supported Innovation Hills Park and raised \$3,500.*

***Ms. Kammo** stated that the year was educational, enjoyable, and full of opportunities. She thanked Mayor Barnett, Mr. Deel, Clerk Barton, Deputy Clerk Scott, and Youth Advisor Danielle Szajna for their support this year.*

***Mr. Deel** noted that this was his first year as Council Liaison to the RHGYC. He stated that it has been one of his great joys and it has been an honor to serve. He thanked the parents for the great job they have done in raising the City's future leaders.*

*He explained that the Rochester Hills City Council established the RHGYC in 2005 to promote youth involvement in local government. He noted that members are required to attend and actively participate in monthly City Council meetings, participate on Technical Review Committees, undertake projects that they choose themselves, and serve as youth ambassadors of the City. He stated that the selection committee comprised of himself, Deputy Clerk Scott, and Ms. Szajna reviewed applications and interviewed 19 prospective candidates for this year's RHGYC, devoting several hours to the process and independently scoring the*

applications and interviewees. He commented that the process was taken very seriously to reflect the degree of honor of the appointments.

He noted that very shortly, the incoming members will be called forward to take the Oath of Office, and he mentioned that it is the same Oath taken by the Mayor, City Council, and all Board and Commission members of the City. He thanked Clerk Barton, Deputy Clerk Scott, Ms. Szajna, and Clerk's staff members who helped this past year.

A video highlighted the RHGYC's 2017-2018 year.

**Presented.**

**2018-0331** 2018/2019 Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Swearing In Ceremony

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)

**Mr. Deel** introduced the graduating members of this year's RHGYC:

- Grace Currier will attend NYU-Shanghai. Her favorite memory was hosting the Youth Summit.
- Ramona Johnson will attend Case Western Reserve University. Her favorite memories were hosting the various 5Ks.
- Sesilia Kammo will attend the University of Michigan. Her favorite memory was helping at the Festival of the Hills.
- Ana Sahu will attend the University of Michigan. Her favorite memories included the Youth Summit and 5Ks.
- Audrey Weber will attend Oakland University. Her favorite memory was the RHGYC's Holiday Party in December.

He thanked the members for their service and wished them the best in their future endeavors. He introduced the incoming members and encouraged them to take a step back and take in the experience. He mentioned that he participated in the Senate Page program in the Michigan Legislature while in college, and commented that he is still in contact with friends he made there.

He introduced the returning members:

- Natalie Vaglia attending Rochester Adams.
- Mallory Boyd attending Rochester Adams.
- Aden Smith attending Stoney Creek.
- Hannah Bennett attending Rochester High.
- Jessica Hrynkiw attending Rochester High.
- Jonathan Karr attending Notre Dame Preparatory.
- Hayden Beare attending Rochester High.
- Zoe Pizzuti attending Rochester Adams.
- Maya Iyer attending Rochester High.
- Avneet Aulakh attending Rochester High.

He introduced the new members:

- Zena Nasari attending Rochester Adams.
- Sofia Tiberio attending Rochester Adams.
- Sailor Mayes attending Rochester High.
- Noah Peterson attending Rochester High.
- Pawel Vijayakumar attending Rochester High.

**City Clerk Tina Barton** acknowledged the parents and the support systems that these members have at home. She administered the Oath of Office to the 2018-2019 RHGYC.

**Mr. Deel** requested President Tisdell consider a recess for a short reception to congratulate the outgoing and incoming members.

Presented.

**(Recess 7:29 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.)**

## PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**2018-0332** Request for approval of a Donation Agreement for three parcels of land located at 2906 Eastern Ave.

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Donation Agreement Eastern.pdf](#)  
[Map Eastern Ave.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Paul Davis**, Deputy Public Service Director/City Engineer, and **Pamela Valentik**, Economic Development Manager, were in attendance.

**Mr. Davis** noted that the Planning and Engineering staff have been working with a number of the property owners along the Auburn Road Corridor to secure right-of-way for the project. He explained that during one of their discussions, they met with a gentleman proposing to donate a piece of property to construct a parking lot, which it was determined would be added into the project. He mentioned that the property owner, Shaun Llewellyn, was in attendance. He noted that three lots in total are included.

**Shaun Llewellyn**, 442 Willow Grove Lane, stated that he has been involved in the steering committee for the project and is very enthusiastic. He explained that his family has had a business on Auburn Road for over 40 years now and has been waiting for this project to move forward. He stated that more parking is needed in order for this development to work, to ensure that there is enough traffic and people in the area. He commented that he is looking forward to this project taking off in the next year.

**Mr. Davis** pointed out that as a part of the donation agreement, the City will be performing a Phase I Environmental Assessment. He explained that there is a single-family home on a portion of the property, and stated that the City will do its normal due diligence before setting up a closing on the property.

*Dr. Bowyer* questioned whether the donated parcels will be developed into a parking lot.

*Ms. Valentik* responded that it will be a City-maintained parking lot for all businesses and not dedicated to just one. She stated that it is not going to be metered at this time, and noted that this ties into the next item on the agenda. She thanked Mr. Llewellyn for donating the property and commented that it will make the corridor blossom and expand.

*Mr. Deel* thanked Mr. Llewellyn for his donation, and stated that to make a project as ambitious as this move forward there must be public/private partnerships. He commented that there must be a buy-in from the property owners and residents in the area. He pointed out that parking has been cited as one of the absolute necessities to make the project come together.

**A motion was made by Bowyer, seconded by McCardell, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0208-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the Donation Agreement for the donation of three parcels of land totaling 0.64 acre, Parcel Nos. 15-25-458-016, -017 and -026, located at 2906 Eastern Ave.; and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Mayor is authorized to undertake such actions and to execute and deliver, on the City's behalf, such additional documents that are necessary and appropriate to consummate this transaction.

**2018-0333** Request for approval of a Donation Agreement for one parcel of land located at 2839 Harrison Ave.

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Donation Agreement Harrison.pdf](#)  
[Map Harrison.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Paul Davis**, Deputy Public Service Director/City Engineer, and **Pamela Valentik**, Economic Development Manager, were in attendance.

*Mr. Davis* stated that this piece of property is immediately to the west of the larger parcel at 2839 Harrison Avenue. He explained that the donation of this parcel will complete all of the property between Harrison and Eastern north of Auburn Road and north of the Auburn Road businesses. He stated that the 0.47 acre parcel of land is up for donation with the same type of right-of-way agreement and Environmental Assessment planned as the previous item Council considered. He pointed out that this parcel also has an existing home on it which will need to be vacated and the home demolished.

**A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Deel, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0209-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the Donation Agreement for the donation of one parcel of land totaling 0.47 acre, Parcel No. 15-25-458-029, located at 2839 Harrison Ave.; and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Mayor is authorized to undertake such actions and to execute and deliver, on the City's behalf, such additional documents that are necessary and appropriate to consummate this transaction.

**2018-0325** Request for Approval of the Purchase Agreement for the purchase of the 0.26 acre parcel of land located on the northeast corner of Emmons Ave. and Auburn Rd., Parcel No. 15-25-456-025

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Purchase Agmt Signed NE EmmonsAuburn.pdf](#)  
[Map Emmons.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Paul Davis**, Deputy Public Service Director/City Engineer, and **Pamela Valentik**, Economic Development Manager, were in attendance.

**Mr. Davis** explained that this item is also related to the Auburn Road Corridor Project. He stated that it is the recommendation of staff for the City to purchase a piece of property, as a donation of this parcel is out of the question. He noted that the purchase will provide opportunity and flexibility for the City. He commented that staff reviewed the parking situation between Metro PCS and Auburn Animal Hospital and looked for ways to improve parking for these two businesses. He pointed out that the City's former precinct property is on the west side of Emmons and is now an aggregate surface between Emmons and King's Pizza. He stated that this parcel will allow the City to supplement another public parking area on that property. He commented that a single offer was made to the owner based on value established by Assessing.

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0210-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council approves the Purchase Agreement for the purchase of the 0.26 acre parcel of land located on the northeast corner of Emmons Ave. and Auburn Rd., Parcel No. 15-25-456-025; and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Mayor is authorized to undertake such actions and to execute and deliver, on the City's behalf, such additional documents that are necessary and appropriate to consummate this transaction.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT for Items not on the Agenda**

*None.*



## CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion, without discussion. If any Council Member or Citizen requests discussion of an item, it will be removed from Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

- 2018-0317** Request for Acceptance of the Watermain Easement granted by South Boulevard Office, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Company, for the South Blvd Office Development

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Watermain Easement.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: RES0211-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council, on behalf of the City of Rochester Hills, hereby accepts the watermain easement from South Boulevard Office, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability company, whose address is 12955 23 Mile Road, Shelby Township, Michigan 48315, for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair and/or replacement of a watermain over, on, under, through and across land more particularly described as for Parcel No. 15-35-477-007 for the South Blvd Office Development.

**Further Resolved**, that the City Clerk is directed to record the easement with the Oakland County Register of Deeds.

- 2018-0318** Request for Approval of a Storm Water System Maintenance Agreement between the City of Rochester Hills, and South Boulevard Office, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Company, for the South Blvd Office Development

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Storm System Maint Agreement.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: RES0212-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the storm water system maintenance agreement, relative to the details of the development and use, repair and maintenance of the storm water system from South Boulevard Office, LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability company, whose address is 12955 23 Mile Road, Shelby Township, Michigan 48315 for Parcel No. 15-35-477-007, for the South Blvd Office Development.

**Further Resolved**, that the City Clerk is directed to record the agreement with the Oakland County Register of Deeds.

- 2018-0300** Request for Purchase Authorization - MIS: Blanket Purchase Order for annual support and maintenance for the City's asset management system in the amount not-to-exceed \$55,000.00 through September 30, 2019; Lucity, Inc., Overland Park, KS

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.**



Enactment No: RES0213-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a Blanket Purchase Order for annual support and maintenance for the City's asset management system to Lucity, Inc. Overland Park, Kansas in the amount not-to-exceed \$55,000.00 through September 30, 2019.

### Passed the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Bowyer, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

### LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

**Ms. McCardell** gave kudos to the Clerk's Office for their work on the election. She noted that many areas experienced a ballot shortage through no fault of their own; and City Clerk Tina Barton, in her opinion, acted as a liaison throughout Oakland County helping out other cities. She expressed her thanks to Clerk Barton and her staff.

**Mayor Barnett** commented that the City's Youth Council is absolutely incredible. He stated that it is fantastic to see what they are doing and how they get involved in every single aspect of the City.

He provided updates on the following:

- Construction is more than halfway complete on Hamlin Road. Livernois Road is getting structural repairs this year, with a full-blown fix to be undertaken next year.
- Construction is underway for the Technology Drive Pathway. Many people walk that area during breaks, and the pathway will make it much safer.
- The City will host a Community Blood Drive on August 16, 2018.
- A Groundbreaking Ceremony for Innovation Hills will be held on August 29, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Anyone interested in attending is requested to respond to the [mayorsoffice@rochesterhills.org](mailto:mayorsoffice@rochesterhills.org). The park will be closed for approximately one month while heavy machinery will be in place.
- Thanks go to the City's 250 election workers for their efforts. Secretary of State Ruth Johnson visited the City on Election Day.

**Vice President Morita** noted that work on the Legacy Project is moving ahead full-steam. She stated that while the neighbors are handling the work very well, she would request that progress meetings be set up to inform the adjacent residents in advance of what work will be undertaken. She commented that she and Planning Staff are fielding many panicked phone calls during the various construction activities. She asked that the closing of Innovation Hills Park for construction work be posted at the River Trail access point as well, with additional notifications sent to the adjacent homeowners' associations.

**Mayor Barnett** noted that updates are posted on the City's website, and residents can sign up for e-mails.

**Dr. Bowyer** expressed her thanks to Clerk Barton for a smooth election. She invited everyone to the Auburn Road Corridor Open House on August 16, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Open House will be held at the corner of Emmons and Auburn Road. She noted the following:

- DTE will begin trimming trees in their utility areas on August 13, 2018.
- Upcoming run/walk activities include:
  - \* The September 3, 2018 Paint Creek Labor Day Bridge Walk will begin at the Rochester Municipal Park.
  - \* The Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance Wheels and Teal 5K is set for Saturday, September 15, 2018.
  - \* The Brooksie Way is set for Sunday, September 23, 2018. The race begins at Meadow Brook Hall.
  - \* Neighborhood House will have their Scare Away Hunger Walk on October 21, 2018, beginning at Rochester College.
  - \* Run the Fairway at Pine Trace is set for November 11, 2018.
- Upcoming outdoor engagement activities include the following:
  - \* Campfire Cookout on August 17, 2018
  - \* Hoot and Howl Hayrides on October 12.

**Mr. Deel** stated that he is looking forward to seeing everyone at the Auburn Road Corridor Project meeting on August 16, 2018. He congratulated Clerk Barton and her staff for a smooth election. He commented that every member of the Youth Council will state that free and fair elections are the cornerstone of democracy.

**City Clerk Tina Barton** expressed her thanks to the voters of Rochester Hills for coming out in strong numbers, noting that the City had a 36 percent voter turnout at the Primary. She stated that the turnout was approximately 14 percent higher than the last Gubernatorial election and five percent higher than eight years ago. She mentioned that some precincts had almost 45 percent turnout.

She expressed her thanks to the election workers, stating that they were absolute warriors on Election Day. She explained that they work at their precincts from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and remain for an additional hour or so to balance paperwork, and close up the equipment. She added that precinct chairs and co-chairs then return to City Hall, and many do not get to leave until 11:00 p.m.

She noted that there were some ballot shortages in some of the City's precincts. She explained that the Clerk's Office began requesting extra ballots back on May 31, and then again in mid-July. She stated that for approximately a half-dozen of the City's precincts, precinct ballots had to be issued to absentees. She commented that the office knew that it was seeing an incredible turnout, with about a 60 percent increase in absentee ballots for this election.

She pointed out that the Clerk's Office have the ability to use test ballots as poll ballots, and noted that they are used to test every piece of machinery prior to an election. She stated that she directed the part-time staff members to pull the

remaining test ballots and number them in advance of Election Day, in the event that the precincts would run out of ballots. She noted that remaining absentee ballots could also be sent to the precincts. She stated that on Election Day, several precincts used all the test ballots and remaining absentee ballots, and some precincts were down to their last five ballots at 8:00 p.m. She commented that she had to call the County on Election Day and ask that additional ballots be printed there. She mentioned that only one precinct had to begin using the ADA device before additional ballots arrived.

She explained that while the ADA Touchwriter device is capable of printing a ballot, each time it is used an access code must be created. She stated that the fastest time that she could print a ballot was in 1-1/2 minutes, and an election worker might take at least three minutes to generate a ballot. She commented that there are three precincts at one location with 5,000 voters, and to expect one machine to be a ballot printer at that location is not reasonable.

She stated that 27 local Clerks signed a statement in response to comments made by the Oakland County Clerk. She pointed out that every voter in Rochester Hills who showed up on Election Day was able to vote. She gave praise to the many election workers, noting that workers receive \$155 and precinct chairs and co-chairs receive \$190 for Election Day. She explained that staff fielded hundreds and hundreds of phone calls on Election Day, and every City department played a part somehow in the Election. She commented that it is truly a team effort, and thanked Council and the Mayor for their support.

**President Tisdell** offered his congratulations to Clerk Barton for a successful election.

## ATTORNEY'S REPORT

*City Attorney John Staran* had nothing to report.

## NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

**2018-0313** Appointment of one (1) City Council Member to the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Diversity & Inclusion for a term to expire December 2, 2018

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Appointment Form.pdf](#)  
[073018 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Nomination Form - Diversity & Inclusion.pdf](#)  
[Rules of Procedure Article VII Sec 01.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Public Comment:**

**Khary Mason**, 125 Wimpole Drive, stated that he is a member of Parents for Educational Equity in Rochester Schools, and is also a member of law enforcement. He spoke in support of Ms. McCardell's selection for the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, stating that she has participated in many community gatherings since the beginning.

**Council Discussion:**

**Mayor Barnett** questioned whether the appointment could be made outside of Council's typical yearly timeframe to expire at the end of 2019 rather than with the 2018 Council appointments.

**John Staran**, City Attorney, responded that the Committee could be considered outside of Council's normal standing committee appointments; and stated that it would be within Council's discretion to have the term go through the end of next year.

**Mayor Barnett** stated that the structure of the committee will be to have four meetings this year and four to five meetings next year. He suggested the term be extended through the end of next year for continuity.

**President Tisdell** noted that Ms. McCardell and Vice President Morita were both nominated at the July 30, 2018 meeting and requested Council vote for one individual.

The nominees received the following votes:

**Ms. McCardell:** Bowyer and McCardell

**Vice President Morita:** Tisdell, Morita, Deel, Hetrick and Kubicina

**President Tisdell** announced that Vice President Morita would be appointed as Council's representative to the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion. He noted that Vice President Morita interacts with multiple communities throughout the entire state and can bring information on how these communities have learned from their experiences.

**Vice President Morita** commented that she is excited to be able to share those experiences.

**A motion was made by Bowyer, seconded by Kubicina, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0214-2018

**Resolved**, that Stephanie Morita is appointed as Council Representative to the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Diversity & Inclusion for a term to expire December 1, 2019.

**2018-0326** Designation of Voting Delegates to Michigan Municipal League business meeting to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Friday, September 21, 2018

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Annual Meeting Notice.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Vice President Morita** noted that Mayor Barnett will be attending the Michigan Municipal League (MML) Conference, and stated that it is her belief that he would be the best representative for the City at the MML's business meeting.

*She suggested that President Tisdell be named the alternate for the meeting.*

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Bowyer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0215-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby names Mayor Bryan K. Barnett as the City of Rochester Hills Official Representative and Voting Delegate and Council President Mark Tisdell as Alternate for the Annual Meeting of the members of the Michigan Municipal League to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Friday, September 21, 2018.

## NEW BUSINESS

**2018-0111** Request to consider the approval of a Lot Split for the property at 3456 York and vacant Nelda Hill Lane; Bruce and Valori Nicolai, Applicants

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Staff Memo re: Denial.pdf](#)  
[Summary-Lot Split.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill Aerial Map.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill Aerial and Parcels.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill Looking East 1.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill Looking East 2.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill Looking East 3.pdf](#)  
[Nelda Hill from Adams Looking East.pdf](#)  
[Sec. 122-30 Approval Procedure.pdf](#)  
[Alternate Resolution for Denial.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Removed from Agenda.**

**2018-0324** Request for Acceptance of the Subrecipient Agreement between Oakland County and the City of Rochester Hills for the allocation of grant funding under the 2018 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) grant

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[RH 2018 HIDTA Subgrant Agreements Final.pdf](#)  
[2018 HIDTA Exhibit A.pdf](#)  
[2018 HIDTA Exhibits B-E.pdf](#)  
[2018 HIDTA Exhibit F.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Captain Michael Johnson**, Oakland County Sheriff's Office, stated that Rochester Hills has a detective assigned to the Oakland County Narcotics Enforcement Team. He noted that dozens of enforcement units encompass the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw counties. He explained that HIDTA is an intelligence-sharing center for these units and helps eliminate a duplication of efforts.

*He stated that the grant provides funds to undercover officers as well as funding equipment, and he noted that these funds will offset overtime costs incurred.*

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0216-2018

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby accepts the Subrecipient Agreement between Oakland County and the City of Rochester Hills for the allocation of grant funding under the 2018 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) grant and further authorizes the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

**2018-0334** Request for Acceptance of the Green Space Property Donation Agreement for 4.702 acres of vacant land for green space purposes located behind 3514 S. Livernois Rd.

**Attachments:** [081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[Property Donation Agreement.pdf](#)  
[K237-ACT132-Rev.03-15-2018.pdf](#)  
[Aerial Map GSAB Ruby Vicinity.pdf](#)  
[Resolution \(Draft\).pdf](#)

**Alan Buckenmeyer**, Parks Manager, and **Matt Einheuser**, Natural Resources Manager, were in attendance.

**Mr. Buckenmeyer** introduced **Mr. Einheuser**, noting that this is his first time before Council. He noted that **Mr. Einheuser** was previously with the Clinton River Watershed Council, a conservation district, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. He mentioned that he is a Michigan State University graduate.

**Mr. Einheuser** stated that he is excited to be the Natural Resources Manager for the City. He explained that the resolution for Council's consideration is to accept a donation of 4.702 acres of vacant land adjacent to the Ruby Green Space which will be classified as a part of the Ruby Green Space property upon completion of a Phase I Environmental Assessment. He pointed out that this donation will result in 14.18 contiguous acres of woodlands and wetlands, which he stated is a good habitat to preserve.

**President Tisdell** questioned whether the request originally included more acreage.

**Mr. Einheuser** responded that the total property is 6.81 acres; however, the landowner intends to retain two acres near the homestead.

**Dr. Bowyer** commented that this parcel is one that the Green Space Advisory Board has been hoping to have donated or purchase for a couple of years and will be a nice addition to the Ruby Green Space. She pointed out that it will result in a large natural space in a densely-populated area, and will be a great habitat for animals and for hiking.

**Mr. Deel** noted that the agreement contains a number of limitations consistent with Green Space property and questioned whether these limitations will become a part of the deed restrictions after closing.

*John Staran, City Attorney, responded that they will become deed restrictions.*

**Public Comment:**

*Karen Vazquez, 3344 Fulham Drive, questioned whether parking, ingress or egress to the parcel will affect her subdivision. She stated that she lives at the dead-end on Fulham Drive, and while she is happy to have the property as green space, she expressed concern that Fulham Drive will be pushed into the property for access in the future or become a parking area.*

*Mr. Buckenmeyer responded that Green Space property has minimal development of any kind, and plans for access are from Ruby Avenue. He commented that any area would be unimproved parking, and stated that there are no set plans for any development. He stated that any trails created would be by people using the parcel, and the property would not be developed as a park.*

*President Tisdell questioned what kind of volumes other Green Space properties see.*

*Mr. Buckenmeyer responded that as there are no driveways or parking spots, there are no ways to track access. He mentioned that the most used Green Space is the Harding Property, as it is by the Clinton River Trail. He commented that the White Property is getting a little more popular as it is by Innovation Hills. He noted that there is an opportunity on Ruby for access by an existing driveway; however, there will be no development.*

*Dr. Bowyer questioned whether there would be a limit to how far a car could drive up the existing driveway.*

*Mr. Einheuser responded that the current space where the home exists will be restored to native grasses and prairies. He suggested that stones could be placed to limit access.*

*Dr. Bowyer noted that there is no way to access the White Green Space property from the subdivision road adjacent to it. She commented that for the Ruby Property, people would most likely access it off of the existing driveway.*

**(Ms. McCardell exited at 8:53 p.m. and re-entered at 8:57 p.m.)**

*Mayor Barnett mentioned that the City will occasionally get a call saying that people are parking there. He pointed out that most of the time when a parcel such as this comes before Council, it is to approve tying a new development into an existing road. He stressed that the City wants these properties to be enjoyed by the residents, and he will be pleased that this property will be unavailable for development in perpetuity. He stated that activity on the parcel would most likely include removal of trash or invasive species, and the City will be limited to only improve pedestrian access to any trails. He commented that this is a tremendous win for the City and for the community.*



**A motion was made by Bowyer, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0217-2018

**Whereas**, the Rochester Hills City Council established the Green Space Advisory Board (GSAB) for the purpose of developing strategies and recommendations to City Council regarding the expenditure of Open Space Millage funds for permanently preserving natural green spaces, wildlife habitats and scenic views; protecting woodlands, wetlands, rivers and streams; and expanding the Clinton River Greenway and other trail corridors;

**Whereas**, GSAB has previously recommended acquisition of the Ruby Green Space property;

**Whereas**, Rochester City Council has previously authorized acquisition of the Ruby Green Space property and acquisition has been completed;

**Whereas**, the owner of 4.702 acres of vacant land located behind 3514 S. Livernois Rd has generously offered to donate the land to the City for green space purposes, and the land is adjacent and contiguous to the Ruby Green Space property;

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council gratefully accepts the donation of 4.702 acres of vacant land located behind 3514 S. Livernois Rd. for green space purposes, to be classified as an extension of the Ruby Green Space,

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to execute the Green Space Donation Agreement on behalf of the City, and to execute such additional documents and undertake such further actions as are necessary and appropriate to consummate the property donation, pending final administrative review and environmental due diligence.

- 2018-0328** Mayor's 2019 Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budgets
- a. Presentation
  - b. Adoption of Resolution acknowledging receipt of the 2019 Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budgets and establishing a Budget Public Hearing for September 10, 2018

**Attachments:** [082018 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[082018 Budget Presentation Schedule.pdf](#)  
[081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[081318 Resolution.pdf](#)

**Joe Snyder**, Chief Financial Officer, stated that at this time next week Council will be holding a Budget workshop; and he encouraged members of the public to attend and ask any questions they may have. He noted that the Council is requested to approve setting the Public Hearing for the budget for September 10, 2018, affording members of the public a second opportunity for comment.

**Mayor Barnett** stated that he looks forward to this process every year, and commented that it is a good time to touch base regarding Council's goals.

A brief video introduced the budget.

**President Tisdell** stated that Council's obligation this evening is to acknowledge receipt of the Proposed Budget and establish the Public Hearing for September 10, 2018.

**Ms. McCardell** stated that she will not be able to attend next week's meeting as she will be traveling for work. She mentioned that she will be meeting with Mr. Snyder to address her questions on Wednesday and will watch the meeting from Sault Ste. Marie.

**President Tisdell** displayed a slide which highlighted Taxable Value over the past years. He noted that even though Taxable Value has recovered, for 2019 it is still \$3.3 billion below its peak in 2008 and 2009 before the recession. He commented that the City has been able to accomplish much with a significantly lower Taxable Value, which speaks well for the City's Mayor and Directors.

**Vice President Morita** noted that Mr. Snyder will be the recipient of many questions by Council, and requested that a running list of any corrections or changes be kept based on comments received.

**Mr. Snyder** responded that he will keep a list of any typographical errors or administrative changes that would be made; however, any numbers will be changed based on any straw poll results.

**A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Kubicina, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0218-2018

**Whereas**, the City of Rochester Hills City Council have worked to develop City goals for the Fiscal Year 2019; and

**Whereas**, based on those City goals, the 2019 Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budgets were developed; and

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the Mayor delivered the 2019 Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budget Plan for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2019.

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the City Council set the Budget Public Hearing date for September 10, 2018.

**Be It Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council acknowledges receipt of the 2019 Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budgets and hereby gives notice of Public Hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2018 at the Rochester Hills City Hall, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, for the purpose of discussing the 2019 Budget and providing opportunity to all interested parties to present comments thereon prior to formal adoption by the Rochester Hills City Council.

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the publication of the Notice of Public Hearing is hereby authorized.

**2018-0329** 2019 OPC Proposed Budget and the 2020-2021 Projected Budgets  
a. Presentation

b. Adoption of Resolution acknowledging receipt of the 2019 OPC Proposed Budget and establishing a Budget Public Hearing for September 10, 2018

**Attachments:** [082018 Budget Presentation Schedule.pdf](#)  
[OPC 2019-2021 Proposed Budget Package.pdf](#)  
[081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[081318 Resolution.pdf](#)

**Joe Snyder**, Chief Financial Officer, stated that Council also received the Older Persons' Commission Budget at the first meeting in August as well, along with their 2020 and 2021 Projected Budgets. He requested Council acknowledge receipt of the OPC Proposed Budget and set the Public Hearing for September 10, 2018. He mentioned that OPC Representatives will be in attendance at the Budget workshop next week.

**A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Deel, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0219-2018

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the OPC 2019 Proposed Budget was delivered for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2019.

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the City Council sets the Budget Public Hearing date for September 10, 2018.

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council acknowledges receipt of the OPC 2019 Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2019 and hereby gives notice of Public Hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2018 at the Rochester Hills City Hall, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, for the purpose of discussing the OPC 2019 Budget and providing opportunity to all interested parties to present comments thereon prior to formal adoption by the Rochester Hills City Council.

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the publication of the Notice of Public Hearing is hereby authorized.

**2018-0330** 2019 RARA Proposed Budget

a. Presentation  
b. Adoption of Resolution acknowledging receipt of the 2019 RARA Proposed Budget and establishing a Budget Public Hearing for September 10, 2018

**Attachments:** [082018 Budget Presentation Schedule.pdf](#)  
[RARA 2019-2021 Proposed Budget Package.pdf](#)  
[081318 Agenda Summary.pdf](#)  
[081318 Resolution.pdf](#)

**Joe Snyder**, Chief Financial Officer, stated that Council also received the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority's (RARA) Budget at the first meeting in August as well, along with their 2020 and 2021 Projected Budgets. He pointed out that this is the first time that RARA will be presenting a three-year budget. He requested Council acknowledge receipt of the RARA Proposed Budget and set the Public Hearing for September 10, 2018. He mentioned that RARA Representatives will be in attendance at the Budget workshop next week.

**A motion was made by Deel, seconded by McCardell, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye** 7 - Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Kubicina, McCardell, Morita and Tisdell

Enactment No: RES0220-2018

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the RARA 2019 Proposed Budget was delivered for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2019.

**Whereas**, at the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the City Council sets the Budget Public Hearing date for September 10, 2018.

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council acknowledges receipt of the RARA 2019 Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2019 and hereby gives notice of Public Hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2018 at the Rochester Hills City Hall, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, for the purpose of discussing the RARA 2019 Budget and providing opportunity to all interested parties to present comments thereon prior to formal adoption by the Rochester Hills City Council.

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the publication of the Notice of Public Hearing is hereby authorized.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

*None.*

## NEXT MEETING DATE

*Special Budget Meeting - Monday, August 20, 2018 - 5:30 p.m.; Regular Meeting - Monday, August 27, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.*

## ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business before Council, it was moved by Morita and seconded by Bowyer to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m.*

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*MARK A. TISDELL, President  
Rochester Hills City Council*

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*TINA BARTON, MMC, Clerk  
City of Rochester Hills*

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*MARY JO PACHLA, CMMC  
Administrative Coordinator - City Council  
City Clerk's Office*

*Approved as presented at the September 10, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.*