

2008-09 Police and Road Technical Review Committee

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Note: All ideas presented are recommended for RHCC consideration and are grouped somewhat by topic. There is no specific priority list as ideas span many areas and timeframes.

Reference Number	Topic Area, Idea Name	Description	Levels of Recommendation: Strongly Recommend Recommend Should Consider	Timing	Status - Comments
1	Police	Pursue "Cops" grant to offset costs of Police Liaison Sergeant	Strongly Recommend	2009	In work by OCSD
2	Police	Continue to optimize the OCSD contract for service levels, fees	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	In process
3	Police	Formally combine Police Millages in 2013 and re-assess scope of services as necessary.	Strongly Recommend	2010+	
4	Public Safety	Combine Police and Fire Funding into single Public Services Millage.	Recommend	2010+	
5	Local Roads	Present to the voters a continuance millage (.40 mils) for the debt bond expiring in Sept 2010 - could offset a \$15 million bond for local roads. If moved up early for a vote, could position RH City Engineering to complete its work to be "shovel-ready" when the millage is approved.	Strongly Recommend	2009	
6	Local Roads	Re-establish SAD policies and process. Explore and define a TIFF funding option for partial reimbursement of the SAD assessments for local roads.	Strongly Recommend	2009	
7	Local Roads	Supplement Local Road funding by transferring up to 50% of the annual Major Road ACT 51 allocation into the Local Road Fund. This action is permitted by ACT 54.	Strongly Recommend	2010+	
8	Local/Major Roads	Consider a Major Road Millage to leverage State and Federal Grants to free up	Strongly Recommend	2010+	
9	Target Specific and Necessary City Service Level Cuts and Define New Efficiencies	Define, quantify and publish cost cutting initiatives across all departments to demonstrate leanness and attention to cost saving. It is recognized that some changes have been made but it remains an option.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	In work
10	Fund Balance	Develop and adopt a Fund Balance Policy.	Strongly Recommend	2009	In work by Administration
11	New Revenue for Parks, etc.	RH adopt policy and initiate advertising revenue options for Parks, other City Facilities, website, etc.	Strongly Recommend	2009	In work by Mayor, Parks Director
12	Relief to General Fund for Parks	RHCC should adopt GSAB recommendations regarding appropriate use of GSAB Millage for Parks Staff and other costs as it pertains to GSAB administration and stewardship.	Strongly Recommend	2009	In work. GSAB recommendations to RHCC on 5/4
13	New Revenue	Adopt policy for 1% Admin fee on taxes collected like most CVT's - potential is \$1.8 million per year	Strongly Recommend	2009	
14	Community Education	Conduct 2009 Community Survey for insights and as an educational media	Strongly Recommend	2009	In work

15	Community Education	Conduct Town Halls to educate community on issues and recommended solutions i.e.. Schools, OPC, etc. Also consider working with school districts to enhance Civics classes to educate students earlier on matters of local government funding, tax structure, etc.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	Proven approach/technique as seen in prior millage elections.
16	25th Anniversary	Explore a "RH Commitment to Quality of Life" on our 25th Anniversary - (.25 Mil etc for Roads, Police, Parks, etc.)	Should Consider	2009	Mayor exploring
17	Shared Services	Continue to explore shared services with neighboring CVT's and other organizations, school districts, library, RARA, OPC, etc. Especially target capital projects on major systems, IT, etc. projects.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	In work. City does use MITN System for some group procurements.
18	911 Study	Revisit the 911 Dispatch study and the projected \$750,000 in savings to head off an additional General Fund impact similar to how Policing, Roads hit General Fund.	Strongly Recommend	2009	
19	Headlee Rollback	Ask voters for relief from Headlee rollback.	Should Consider	2009-10	
20	Parks Millage	Establish a Parks Bond/Millage Committee to explore content for a dedicated Parks Millage. Review and define the requirements to have a higher degree of parity across all city parks. The idea is to relieve the General Fund to free up more funds for Police, Local Roads, etc.	Strongly Recommend	2010+	
21	City Water Reservoirs	Consider Engineering proposals to install these for revenue sharing on water to reduce City water rates to assist property owners.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	
22	City Charter	Explore a serious review and possible Charter Commission approach to redefining the General Fund, not the form of government, to eliminate dedicated Police, Fire, Parks, etc. Millages separate from General Fund and to explore other funding approaches.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	
23	Economic Development	Continue City's efforts to promote new economic development to result in higher tax base.	Strongly Recommend	2009-10	In process