



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Greg Hooper, Council President
DATE: July 22, 2009
SUBJECT: Police & Road Technical Review Committee Recommendations

On June 18, 2009 we received the final report from the committee, which was accepted at the June 29, 2009 meeting. Subsequent to that I asked all members to rank the recommendations (which were split into three groups: 2009 Strongly Recommend; 2009 Strong Recommend – In Process; and 2010 and beyond), by their own priority in order to narrow our focus for discussion.

All members responded except for Mr. Ambrozaitis, who chose not to. We reviewed the rankings at our July 13, 2009 meeting and determined that the number 1 ranked item within the 2009 Strongly Recommend group was Reference Item #5 – “Present to the voters a continuance millage (**not a new tax**) for the debt bond expiring in September 2010. It was discussed and determined that Mr. Hooper and Mr. Webber would present a number of options for discussion at our next available meeting.

Below is a listing of those options in no particular order or preference. Please review and be prepared to discuss the pros and cons for development of a possible ballot question; as well as the timing of this question – whether it is this year or next year (and the pros and cons to each).

I have discussed the language for the ballot question with the City Attorney Staran. He will confirm but it is acceptable to frame the question...”To replace the expiring debt millage of 0.4395 mills, shall the City of Rochester Hills levy a millage of 0.4395 mills for “xxxx” years starting in FY 2011 for the purpose of “yyyy”.

Options: (x, y)

- A. 4 Years, to at least maintain the existing contracted level of 59 uniformed officers for Police Protection Services.
- B. 10 Years, to provide a minimum funding for maintaining Local Roads by reconstruction and rehabilitation of \$1.6M per year.
- C. 15 Years, for the purpose of issuing a Local Road Improvement Bonds Bond of \$17.7M to provide funding for reconstruction and rehabilitation of Local Roads.
- D. 4 Years, for the purpose of Public Safety, including Police and Fire Services.
- E. 10 Years, for the purpose of Local Roads, including, but not limited to, road improvement and SAD funding for road and related projects.