

# Legislative File No: 2025-0306

- **TO:** Mayor and City Council Members
- FROM: Joe Snyder / Chief Financial Officer David Word / RARA Executive Director
- **DATE:** July 21, 2025
- **SUBJECT:** Request for Approval of the Rochester Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) Operating Millage Renewal Ballot Proposal

# **REQUEST:**

The Rochester Hills City Council is requested to approve the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) Millage Renewal Ballot Language to be placed on the November 4, 2025 General Election Ballot.

### BACKGROUND:

The Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) millage was approved by Rochester Hills voters on November 11, 2015 for ten (10) years beginning in 2016 (for FY 2017) and continuing through 2025 (for FY 2026). In FY 2026 the RARA millage will be 0.1802 mill.

On July 16, 2025, the RARA Board approved the renewal and continuation of the RARA millage at the same 0.1802 mill level for an additional ten (10) years beginning in 2026 (for FY 2027) and continuing through 2035 (for FY 2036). If levied in full the first year (FY 2027) this renewed millage is anticipated to generate \$902,650.

Funding generated through the RARA millage goes directly to RARA to enable it to continue to provide sports, events, summer child care services, camps, special needs services, performing arts, enrichment, and life skill programs for youth and adults.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Rochester Hills City Council is recommended to approve the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority (RARA) Millage Renewal Ballot Language to be placed on the November 4, 2025 General Election Ballot.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Clerk		

# Contract Reviewed by City Attorney $\square$ Yes $\square$ N/A