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BUDGET COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2009

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adoption of Agenda, as amended, to include item #5A
4. Approval of Minutes Dated 02-24-09 (previously distributed)
5. Public Participation
- 5A. Recommendation from Administrative Services Committee Meeting of 02-04-09 (attached)
Purchase of Laptop for Register of Deeds and Wireless Networking Card and Bluetooth Card for Clerk's Current Laptop
6. Recommendation from Technology and Communications Committee Meeting of 03-16-09 (mailed)
Adopt Recommendation on Printer Cost Savings
7. Recommendation from Public Safety and Corrections Committee Meeting of 03-17-09 (mailed)
Approve Disbursement of Wireless E-911 Funds
8. Overview of Macomb County Finances by Finance Director
9. Reduce 2009 Operating Budget by \$813,376 (mailed)
10. Adopt 2009 County Drain Debt Millage Rate of .0050 Mill (mailed)
11. Adopt 2009 SMART Public Transportation Millage Rate of .5900 Mill (mailed)
12. Adopt 2009 Veterans Service Operating Millage Rate of .0400 Mill (mailed)
13. Adopt 2009 County Operating Millage Rate of 4.5685 Mills (mailed)
14. Discussion on Waterway Cleanup Program (mailed)
15. New Business
16. Public Participation
17. Adjournment

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ FULL BOARD MEETING DATE: _____
AGENDA ITEM: _____

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS TO PURCHASE A LAPTOP FOR THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, AND A WIRELESS NETWORKING CARD AND BLUETOOTH CARD FOR THE CLERK'S CURRENT LAPTOP AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$4,200.00. BOTH LAPTOPS ARE MAINLY USED FOR MOBILE OFFICES AND MEETINGS. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE REGISTER OF DEEDS TECHNOLOGY FUND. REFER TO BUDGET COMMITTEE.

BACKGROUND:

The Clerk/Register of Deeds office has a "mobile office" that travels to different areas in the county to provide clerk/register of deeds services to citizens in their local communities. This saves the citizens from having to travel downtown to take care of their business, saving high-priced gas and time. The regular mobile office visits one library in a different community each month but also travels to events such as passport fairs, Headstart registration and senior centers. One of the more popular requests at the Mobile Offices is real estate records. The Register of Deeds Office also conducts seminars around the county, especially at senior centers. Real estate issues are main concerns for seniors as they are preparing their estates. The Register of Deeds needs its own laptop to serve the public at these events. With their own laptop, they are able to print the requested deeds on the spot and take care of all the customers' needs.

The previous laptop purchase for the Clerk's Office was for \$3,682.92. This purchase will not be made until final amounts are provided by the IT Department. The reason the cost of this laptop is likely higher is because a wireless network card and Bluetooth are required but were not initially provided in the previous laptop. This resolution was not provided to the IT Department in time to have final figures ready for the Administrative Services Committee, but figures will be ready for the Budget Committee.

INTRODUCED BY: COMMISSIONER KATHY VOSBURG, CHAIRPERSON
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE: 02-04-09 APPROVED
Budget 2-24-09 removed from agenda
Budget 3-25-09



Carmella Sabaugh

Todd Schmitz
Deputy Clerk

Macomb County
Clerk/Register of Deeds

Betty A. Oleksik
Deputy Register of Deeds

March 24, 2009

Brian Brdak, Chairman
Budget Committee
One South Main
Mount Clemens, MI 48043

Dear Chairman Brdak:

I am writing to request that you amend the Budget Committee agenda for Wednesday, March 25, 2009 to add the following item:

"Authorize the county clerk / register of deeds to purchase a laptop and software at a cost not to exceed \$4,200, to be paid for from the Technology Fund, which by law is restricted to register of deeds technology purchases, as set forth in the resolution and background material."

This resolution was approved by the Administrative Services Committee on February 4, 2009. I submitted it for Budget Committee consideration in February, but voluntarily withdrew it so the IT Department could see if better pricing could be obtained. It appears that the IT Department assumed my office was submitting it to the Budget Committee and we assumed the IT Department was submitting it, with the result that your agenda was prepared without this submission to you. I understand it is out of the ordinary to amend an agenda for something like this, but we have several mobile office meetings soon and it is my hope is this purchase can be completed soon without further delay.

Thank you for your consideration. If you need any additional information, please feel free to call me at 9-7939.

Sincerely,

Carmella Sabaugh
Clerk / Register of Deeds

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registerdeeds@macombcountymi.gov



QUOTE

DATE
02/23/2009

QUOTE NO
0317415

P.O.: Dell and acc

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MNJ Technologies Direct, Inc.
1025 Busch Parkway
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089
(847) 634-0700

SALESPERSON: PATRICK SULLIVAN

PRINTED: Feb 23, 2009

11:19 am

SHIP TO: (1)
County of Macomb
44900 VIC Wertz Dr.
Clinton Township, MI 48036

BILL TO: (00-MACOMB)
MACOMB COUNTY
MACOMB COUNTY
10 N MAIN ST
MOUNT CLEMENS, MI 48043

ATTN: POLLY HELZER
586-469-5255

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Dell and acc

LN	PRODUCT	QTY ORD	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
01	DLL7714	1	PRECISION M6400, 2.26GHZ, 4GB	2,455.23	2,455.23
02	LKS00295	1	BLUETOOTH USB NIC	42.36	42.36
03	ADB21946	1	GLP CS4 DESIGN PREM 4 WIN LIC	1,760.24	1,760.24
					omit
04	ADB21762	1	TLP CS4 DESIGN PREM 4 WIN DVD	20.16	20.16
					omit
05	LAA2	1	AD-AWARE 2007 PLUS	38.81	38.81
06	CPT2257	1	Zone Alarm Pro	34.51	34.51

2,570.91

Net Order:	4,334.31
Less Discount:	0.00
Sales Tax:	0.00
Shipping Charges:	0.00
Total:	4,334.31
Less Deposit:	0.00
Order Balance:	4,334.31

Thanks for the opportunity. We appreciate all your business

SHIP VIA
FEDEX GROUND

FOB

TERMS
Net 30 Days

CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS LAPTOP

Item	Information	Price
Dell Precision M6400 2.26GHZ, 4GB		\$ 2,455.23
Bluetooth USB NIC		\$ 42.36
Ad-Aware 2007 Plus		\$ 38.81
Zone Alarm Pro		\$ 34.51
Microsoft Office		\$ 249.17
Air Card	Air card itself is free and the monthly fee is \$ 42.99	\$ 42.99
Flash Slideshow Maker	Software that creates animated photo and graphic slideshows. http://www.flash-slideshow-maker.com/	\$ 49.95
Artful GIF Animator	Software that creates animated .gif slide shows. http://www.abacre.com/gifanimator/	\$ 29.99
Adobe Dreamweaver	http://www.adobe.com/products/dreamweaver/	\$ 399.00
ASP DataAssist (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that writes code to connect with a http://www.webassist.com/professional/products/productdetails.asp?PID	\$ 199.00
ASP SecurityAssist (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that generates "log in" and "register" http://www.webassist.com/professional/products/productdetails.asp?PID	\$ 149.00
ASP Appointment (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that creates functional appointment http://www.topdreamweaverextensions.com/asp-appointment-calendar	\$ 29.99
ASP Link Calendar (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that creates calendars that link to web http://www.topdreamweaverextensions.com/dreamweaver-asp-link-	\$ 29.99
ASP Visual Calendar (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that creates calendars with "mouse-over" http://www.topdreamweaverextensions.com/dreamweaver-asp-visual-	\$ 29.99
ASP Remote Website (Dreamweaver	An extension for Dreamweaver that allows editing of web pages through http://www.topdreamweaverextensions.com/asp-website-editor	\$ 29.99
Hot Dreamweaver ASP (Dreamweaver	Collection of seven Dreamweaver extensions that give added http://www.hotdreamweaver.com/dreamweaver-asp-toolbar	\$ 128.99
Dazzle Video Creator	Transfer and share videos and turn videos into movies (web)	\$ 89.99
	TOTAL:	\$ 4,028.95

SENT VIA GROUPWISE E-MAIL

>>> Keith Barbieri 3/24/2009 3:52 PM >>>

Todd,

IT has been working with the Clerk's office to define a laptop and software that will meet their needs. This was approved at the February 2009 Administrative Services committee. A quote totalling \$4028.95 has been developed. We support adding this to the next Budget Committee agenda for approval.

Keith Barbieri
Deputy Director
Macomb County IT Department
586-469-6049

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

FULL BOARD MEETING DATE: _____
AGENDA ITEM: _____

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: Adopt recommendation on printer cost savings as outlined in attached correspondence from the Information Technology Director, and forward to Budget Committee.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Frank Accavitti, Jr., Chair, Technology and Communications Committee

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE

TAC Committee March 16, 2009

Approved

Budget 3-25-09



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY


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March 6, 2009

C. N. Zerkowski
Director

K. Barbieri
Deputy Director

TO: Commissioner Frank Accavitti, Jr., Chair
Technology and Communications Committee
Macomb County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Cytia N. Zerkowski, Director
Information Technology 

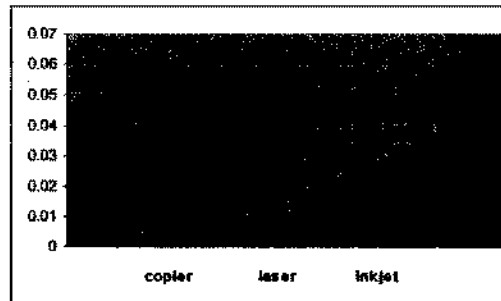
SUBJECT: Recommendation on Printer Cost Savings

In 2008, as a part of its Plan A budget reduction, Information Technology took the first steps toward printer consolidation as a way to reduce operational costs. The stipulation was that replacement printers would no longer be purchased where a nearby printer could be used. The printer maintenance budget was correspondingly reduced by \$10,000.00.

The end goal is to fully utilize the combined copier/printer machines. The interim goal is to reduce the individual printer population with a near-term focus on desktop printers. These goals are directly aligned with the increased cost-per-page for these three categories of printers.

Specifically, the cost-per-page to print using the copier/printer machines ranges from \$.006 to \$.0125; using a laser printer averages \$.013 - \$.015 and using an inkjet printer averages \$.039 to \$.062 (draft to near letter quality).

Graphically,



one can see the order of magnitude is significant for the inkjet's cost-per-page.

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Recommendation on Printer Cost Savings
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As of the 2008 Plan A initiative, for the timeline of September 2008 through February 2009, 29 printers have been consolidated out of service. Of these, 17 have been used as replacements for printers that have broken down elsewhere and 8 were unusable. However, we are reaching the point where the ability to replace broken printers will not be feasible. Failing printers accounted for 494 trouble calls (10%) in 2008.

The current inventory of printers includes approximately 450 laser printers and 100 desktop printers. In order to continue the strategy towards consolidation, the following measures are recommended:

- 1) Place a complete moratorium on all desktop (inkjet and laser) printer purchases.
- 2) Place a moratorium on all inkjet cartridge purchases, including the restocking of inkjet cartridges at Central Stores.
- 3) When a desktop (inkjet or laser) printer breaks, it is to be removed and substituted with a routed network connection to the nearest copier/printer, and if none available, to the nearest networked laser printer.
- 4) Specialty printers are exempt from (1) through (3) above if the specialty function cannot be provided through an existing networked printer.
- 5) When a networked laser printer breaks, it is to be removed and substituted with a routed network connection to the nearest copier/printer, and if none available, to the nearest networked laser printer.
- 6) When an old copier is replaced, a complete analysis of the area's printing environment will be undertaken with the goal of consolidating all printing to the copier/printer machine and removing the laser printers.

If the above recommended measures are adopted, it will move us toward a consolidated copier/printer environment and provide a repair inventory for those situations requiring deployment of laser printers. Additionally, two cost savings opportunities will begin to be seen: (1) reduction in printer maintenance and (2) reduction of energy use.

Recommendation on Printer Cost Savings
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While it is clearly recognized, that there are specific circumstances where individual printers will need to be used, by applying the general rule, it is estimated that the 100 desktop inkjet and 40 laser printers could be consolidated during 2009. Should the need arise to replace an old copier, the number of printers to be taken out of service would increase.

While power consumption varies with printer models, the inkjet printers are the equivalent of a 25 watt – 40 watt bulb when in use, and in some cases even if just powered on, and otherwise are generally the equivalent of a night light when idle. The laser printers are the equivalent of five (5) 100 watt bulbs when in use, and a 25 watt bulb when idle. This translates into an estimated \$1.80 - \$3.20 per day for the 100 inkjet printers and \$7.84 - \$18.04 per day for the 40 laser printers in energy costs.

By adopting these measures, expanding upon the 2008 Plan A budget reduction initiative, the consolidation benefits of economies of scale, simplification of the environment, cost savings and energy savings can continue to be reaped.

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FULL BOARD MEETING DATE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: _____

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: Approve the disbursement of Wireless E-911 funds pursuant to Macomb County's amended 911 Plan per Schedule A (attached) utilizing population figures supplied by SEMCOG. Forward to the Budget Committee.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Phillip A. DiMaria, Chairman, Public Safety & Corrections Committee

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE

PSC Committee/March 17, 2009

Approved

Budget 3-25-09



MARK A. HACKEL

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Kent B. Lagerquist
UNDERSHERIFF

TO: Commissioner Phillip A. DiMaria
Chairman, Public Safety and Corrections Committee

DATE: March 2, 2009

RE: PSC Committee – March 17, 2009

Please consider this the Sheriff's Office formal request to be placed on the Agenda for the March 17th, 2009, Public Safety and Corrections Committee Meeting. Enclosed, please find the supporting information for the Wireless E-911 funding disbursement. These funds are being distributed using population figures supplied by SEMCOG – pursuant to Macomb County's Amended 911 Plan. The wireless funds are used to offset costs associated to upgrade PSAP's in order to accept wireless 911 calls. The Wireless 911 Oversight Committee met on February 18, 2009 and recommends that the County Board of Commissioners reimburse the participating departments as per Schedule "A" (attached) provided by the Macomb County Finance Department.

Should you have any questions please contact my office at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Wickersham, Captain
Chief of Staff

**DISTRIBUTION OF 2008 WIRELESS FUNDS
BASED ON JANUARY, 2009 SEMCOG POPULATION ESTIMATES**

DEPARTMENT PSAP	SEMCOG POPULATION ESTIMATE		DISTRIBUTION AMOUNT
	January 1, 2009		
	POPULATION	PERCENT	
CENTERLINE	8,312	0.9975%	\$9,488.50
CHESTERFIELD TWSP (INC NEW BALTIMORE)	56,976	6.8378%	\$65,040.50
CLINTON TOWNSHIP	94,992	11.4002%	\$108,437.36
EASTPOINTE	33,210	3.9856%	\$37,910.61
FRASER	14,907	1.7890%	\$17,016.97
MACOMB COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT *	172,697	20.7257%	\$197,140.88
RICHMOND	5,910	0.7093%	\$6,746.51
ROMEO	3,633	0.4360%	\$4,147.22
ROSEVILLE	45,980	5.5181%	\$52,488.10
SHELBY TOWNSHIP	72,243	8.6700%	\$82,468.42
STERLING HEIGHTS	125,657	15.0803%	\$143,442.74
ST. CLAIR SHORES (INC LAKE TWSP)	59,738	7.1693%	\$68,193.43
UTICA	4,555	0.5467%	\$5,199.72
WARREN	134,441	16.1345%	\$153,470.04
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	833,251	100.0000%	\$951,191.00
MACOMB COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT *			
MCSO - ARMADA	1,651	0.1981%	\$1,884.69
MCSO - ARMADA TOWNSHIP	3,799	0.4559%	\$4,336.72
MCSO - BRUCE TOWNSHIP	7,197	0.8637%	\$8,215.68
MCSO - HARRISON TOWNSHIP	25,404	3.0488%	\$28,999.73
MCSO - LENOX TOWNSHIP	6,005	0.7207%	\$6,854.96
MCSO - MACOMB TOWNSHIP	75,052	9.0071%	\$85,675.01
MCSO - MEMPHIS	799	0.0959%	\$912.09
MCSO - MT. CLEMENS	16,916	2.0301%	\$19,310.32
MCSO - NEW HAVEN	5,432	0.6519%	\$6,200.86
MCSO - RAY TOWNSHIP	3,881	0.4658%	\$4,430.33
MCSO - RICHMOND TOWNSHIP	4,003	0.4804%	\$4,569.59
MCSO - WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP	22,558	2.7072%	\$25,750.90
TOTAL-MCSO	172,697	20.7257%	\$197,140.88

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FULL BOARD MEETING DATE

AGENDA ITEM

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO reduce the 2009 Operating Budget by \$813,376 as summarized on Budgetary Reduction Schedule.

Proposed Budgetary Reductions – 2009 Budget

Vehicle Purchases	\$200,000
Circuit Court Operating	32,000
42 nd District Court Revenue	12,000
CMH-Reduce Appropriation	165,000
Contract Negotiations allowing AFSCME President full time work on union matters	(84,000)
L'Anse Creuse Contract for Education Services @ JJC	200,000
MCCSA-Increase Grant Revenue and use lapsed funds	173,000
Project Manager – I.T. (Vacant)	<u>115,376</u>
Total:	<u>\$813,376</u>

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair Budget Committee

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE

Budget/March 25, 2009

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FULL BOARD MEETING DATE

AGENDA ITEM

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: adopt a County Drain Debt requirement of .0050 mill for inclusion on the December, 2009 millage levy.

INTRODUCED BY: Brian Brdak, Chairperson, Budget Committee

Based on the Debt Service requirements for the Year 2009/2010, the County's At Large Drain Debt requirement is .0050 mill. The Levies for the last several years are outlined below:

December 2009	.0050 mill
December 2008	.0055 mill
December 2007	.0055 mill
December 2006	.0055 mill
December 2005	.0058 mill
December 2004	.0058 mill
December 2003	.0058 mill
December 2002	.0060 mill
December 2001	.0070 mill
December 2000	.0080 mill

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE: Budget Committee, Mar 25, 2009
Full Board, Mar 26, 2009



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March 10, 2009

Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair
and Members of the Budget Committee
9th Floor-Administrative Building
Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043

Dear Commissioner:

Based on the Drain Dept requirements outlined by the Public Works Commissioner, the 2009/2010 County-At-Large Drain Debt Millage requirement is .0050 mill. As you know, this rate may fluctuate annually based on the repayment requirements and must be adopted for inclusion in the 2009 Macomb County Apportionment Report for the December 2009 millage levy.

Sincerely yours,

David M. Diegel
Finance Director

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AGENDA ITEM

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: adopt a SMART Public Transportation millage rate of .5900 mill, less any millage reduction required by the Headlee roll back factor, for inclusion on the December, 2009 millage levy.

INTRODUCED BY: Brian Brdak, Chairperson, Budget Committee

State Law requires that the County annually adopt millage rates for inclusion in the annual Apportionment Report. On August 8, 2006, the voters of Macomb County approved a four (4) year County Wide .5900 mill operating levy for the SMART Public Transportation System for the operating budget years 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010. This levy is the fourth of the four years approved by the voter's for this purpose. This millage will continue to be levied in December.

Voter Approved	August, 2006
1 st Levy	December, 2006
2 nd Levy	December, 2007
3 rd Levy	December, 2008
4 th Levy	December, 2009

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE: Budget Committee, Mar 25, 2009
Public Hearing, Apr 28, 2009
Full Board, Apr 30, 2009



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March 10, 2009

Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair
and Members of the Budget Committee
9th Floor-Administrative Building
Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043

Dear Commissioner:

State law requires that the County adopt millage rates for inclusion in the annual Apportionment Report. On August 8, 2006, the voters of Macomb County approved .5900 mill for the SMART Public Transportation operations for the four years 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

It will be necessary for the Budget Committee to adopt the proposed 2010 SMART operating millage rate of .5900, less any millage reduction required by the Headlee rollback factor, for inclusion in the 2009 Macomb County Apportionment Report for the December 2009 millage levy.

Sincerely yours,


David M. Diegel
Finance Director

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO: adopt a Veteran's Service millage rate of .0400 mill, less any millage reduction required by the Headlee roll back factor, for inclusion on the December, 2009 millage levy.

INTRODUCED BY: Brian Brdak, Chairperson, Budget Committee

State Law requires that the County annually adopt millage rates for inclusion in the annual Apportionment Report. On November 4, 2008, the voters of Macomb County approved a five (5) year County Wide .0400 mill operating levy for Veteran's Services for the operating budget years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013. This levy is the second of the five years approved by the voter's for this purpose. This millage will continue to be levied in December.

Voter Approved	August, 2008
1 st Levy	December, 2008
2 nd Levy	December, 2009
3 rd Levy	December, 2010
4 th Levy	December, 2011
5 th Levy	December, 2012

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE: Budget Committee, Mar 25, 2009
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Full Board, Apr 30, 2009



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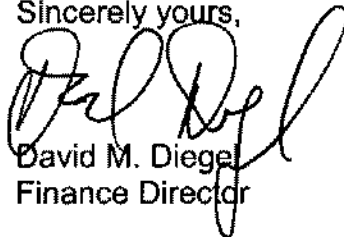
Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair
and Members of the Budget Committee
9th Floor-Administrative Building
Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043

Dear Commissioner:

State law requires that the County adopt millage rates for inclusion in the annual Apportionment Report. On November 4, 2008, the voters of Macomb County approved .0400 mill for the Veteran's Services operations for the five years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

It will be necessary for the Budget Committee to adopt the proposed 2010 Veteran's Services operating millage rate of .0400, less any millage reduction required by the Headlee rollback factor, for inclusion in the 2009 Macomb County Apportionment Report for the December 2009 millage levy.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Diegel
Finance Director

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RESOLUTION NO.

FULL BOARD MEETING DATE

AGENDA ITEM

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO adopt the 2009 County Operating Millage rate of 4.5685 mills

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair Budget Committee

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE

Budget/March 25, 2009
Public Hearing/April 28, 2009
Full board/April 30, 2009



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Dear Commissioner:

As previously indicated it will be necessary for the Board of Commissioners to adopt the Recommended County Operating millage rate in March so that the required hearings can be held and timely notification can be made to the local units of government regarding the tax rate to be included on the July tax billing.

As you know, the County began running operating deficits in 2004. We have accumulated deficits totaling \$35.7 million (which has been financed from the Rainy Day Fund) since that time despite making budgetary reductions totaling \$42.6 million over the last four years. We anticipate that our General Fund balance will stand at only \$30 million upon completion of our 2008 Audit which is dangerously low for an organization of our size. It is clear that we can no longer rely on our Rainy Day Fund to finance ongoing operations. Additionally, we must replenish the Rainy Day Fund to adequate levels.

The County has made \$42.6 million in cuts over the last four years making further cuts increasingly difficult. Many of the services remaining receive significant support from State, Federal and other sources.

Exhibit 1 summarizes "Discretionary" Services the County currently provides. Although the Juvenile Justice Center is listed as discretionary, the County must detain any juvenile sentenced by the Courts. If we did not operate the JJC we would be required to house offenders in private institutions at our cost. It is doubtful that we could house detainees in private institutions at a lower cost particularly given the significant capital investment we recently made at the JJC. If we remove the JJC from the Discretionary List and eliminate all other programs summarized on Exhibit 1, we would save the County General Fund \$14.4 million but we would lose \$54 million in support of those programs from State, Federal and other sources and we would eliminate 701 County jobs.

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After making budgetary reductions for the last five years and analyzing the remaining discretionary programs that could be eliminated or downsized, it has become apparent to me that we must look to the revenue side of the Budget for relief given the magnitude of the imbalance we continue to face.

The 2009 Budget is currently out of balance by \$8 million assuming that the County gets the full \$10 million benefit of pay and benefit concessions currently on the table and also assuming a 5% reduction in 2009 taxable values.

Looking forward, 2010 is shaping up to be another challenging year financially. We are currently projecting a \$13 million deficit in 2010 using the current Budget as a base and assuming the full benefit of \$10 million in concessions from our bargaining groups in 2009 and 2010 and a reduction in property tax valuations of 5% in both 2009 and 2010.

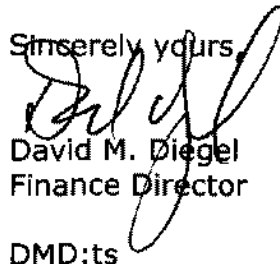
Based on the above projection it would be necessary to eliminate all discretionary programs shown on Exhibit 1 to bring the Budget into balance.

Given the above circumstances including bleak economic forecasts through at least 2010 followed by a very slow recovery beyond that date and the fact that virtually all discretionary services would need to be eliminated to ensure a balanced budget, I believe the only option available to the County at this time is to increase the County tax rate.

I am therefore recommending that the Board of Commissioners increase the County operating millage rate to 4.5685 mills as authorized by the voters in 2002. Such an increase would generate an increase in our tax levy of \$11 million for the 2009 tax year (See Exhibit 2).

Based on current projections, approval of this recommendation would provide the County with one to two million dollars in 2009 that could be used to replenish the Rainy Day Fund followed by a \$3 million deficit in 2010. Consequently we would need to cut an additional \$3 million from the 2010 Budget even with an increase in the millage rate to 4.5685 mills.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Diegel
Finance Director

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Enclosures

DISCRETIONARY SERVICES

Exhibit 1

	<u># Emp</u>	<u>Gross Budget</u>	<u>Net County Cost</u>
Substance Abuse	10.2	8,130,889	0
Community Services Agency	248	14,072,648	834,358
MSU Extension	24.3	3,658,567	1,107,006
Senior Citizens	34.3	2,148,616	1,361,205
Research & Reference	18	2,776,290	2,292,876
M.T. Berry MCF	227.5	25,148,505	4,000,000
Emergency Mgt/Tech Services	13	1,078,785	606,385
Animal Shelter	17.5	1,833,272	1,431,442
Mac/St. Clair Employment & Training	55	4,414,545	0
Community Corrections	11	1,419,968	426,076
Judicial Aide & Reimbursement	17	1,212,980	0
Planning & Economic Development	25	<u>2,415,072</u>	<u>2,411,072</u>
Sub Total	701	68,310,137	14,470,420
Juvenile Justice Center/Building	112	<u>12,622,079</u>	<u>5,413,515</u>
Total	<u>813</u>	<u>80,932,216</u>	<u>19,883,935</u>

TAX LEVY ANALYSIS

	<u>Tax Value</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Tax Revenue Net of IFT and Delinquency</u>
2007	\$ 31,862,669,926	4.20	\$ 134,613,075
2008	\$ 31,812,886,490	4.20	\$ 134,330,928
2009	\$ 30,222,242,166	4.20	\$ 127,614,382
2009 Est.	\$ 30,222,242,166	4.5685	\$ 138,810,963
2010 Est.	\$ 28,711,130,057	4.5685	\$ 131,870,415

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AGENDA ITEM

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO review existing Waterway Cleanup Budget in the amount of \$175,000

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Brian Brdak, Chair Budget Committee

The Budget Chair made a commitment at the February 26, 2009 Full Board Meeting to place a discussion of the Waterway Cleanup account on the Budget Agenda for discussion.

COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE

Budget/March 25, 2009

