



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

June 24, 2011

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: John Szerlag, City Manager 

SUBJECT: Standard Purchasing Resolution 9: Approval to Expend Funds for Membership Dues and Membership Renewals: Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)

As southeast Michigan's regional planner, SEMCOG's essential functions include:

- Assisting local governments in planning for common needs and in recognizing regional opportunities.
- Facilitating cooperation among local governments, educational institutions, and state and federal agencies for mutual benefit.
- Advocating for changes in public policy when state or federal legislative action is necessary.

The City of Troy has been a member of SEMCOG since 1968.

Staff recommends authorization of the expenditure of funds for membership dues to SEMCOG in the amount of \$9,841.00 for the period of July 15, 2011 - July 15, 2012.

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Sales Order # : 2011

City Of Troy
 500 W. Big Beaver Road
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MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

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LOCAL-A	07/01/2011	07/01/2011
2011 Membership Dues		Invoice Amount
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June 16, 2011

Mary Redden, Admin Assist to City Manager
City of Troy
500 W. Big Beaver Road
Troy, MI 48084

Dear Ms.Redden:

Thank you for your membership, your continued support, and your involvement in SEMCOG. While we all continue to face unprecedented challenges, SEMCOG continues to work with our membership to position ourselves for the opportunities of the future. You may know that we have reduced our staff and reorganized our departments, I am confident that you will find our member service and support stronger than ever. We seized the opportunity to reorganize in a way that will allow us to serve our membership in a more holistic way, creating multi-faceted solutions to your most pressing challenges. SEMCOG services include:

- access to free consulting services for fiscal assessments and budget analysis, developing collaborative arrangements, and organizational restructuring;
- access to individualized assistance on a range of local transportation, environmental, and community and economic development projects;
- a strong advocate for Southeast Michigan with state and federal legislators and agencies for the good of the region and our citizens; and
- free training on a variety of topics important to the future of Southeast Michigan.

SEMCOG continues to monitor member satisfaction with our services. While satisfaction levels remain strong, we know that many members are adjusting priorities to meet fiscal challenges. SEMCOG is committed to serving your needs. I am happy to report that with membership renewal, your 2011 dues will be frozen at 2010 rates.

For additional information on making your SEMCOG membership work for you, visit www.semco.org/members.aspx, or contact Amy Malmer at 313/324-3308 or by e-mail at malmer@semco.org.

It is an honor to serve your community. Please let us know if we can better serve you.

Sincerely,



Paul Tait, CAE
Executive Director
SEMCOG

MEMO

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May 10, 2011

TO: SEMCOG Members
FROM: Finance Department
SUBJECT: Payment Options

As technology advances, the options available for everyday business processing expand. One of those more common advances is the ability to make payments through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If you have the ability and would like to pay your dues through electronic funds transfer, our banking information is as follows:

Comerica Bank
Routing Number: 072000096
Account Number: 1840109027

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carmil Quick at (313) 961-4266 or email at quick@semcog.org.