



Memorandum

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Date: March 3, 2005
Subject: Website Updates - E-Agenda Packet Format and Public Hearings

As requested, the City Clerk's Office and the Department of Information Technology have been reviewing a couple of suggested changes to the City's website.

1. Options for improving the download time and speed of the E-Agenda Packets.

The Clerk's Office has experimented with the preparation of the E-packet using a linking system to several individual PDF files. While it was determined that the end product would more quickly download for computer systems using dial up modems and older computer systems, it was determined that the ability to maneuver through the document would be compromised. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk will be attending an Adobe Professional design class to see if there are ways to overcome these areas of difficulty.

The Clerk's Office will produce the existing E-packet and experiment with other potential E-packet formats simultaneously over the next two to three Council packets to determine the impact of the proposed change along with any additional staff time or expense. As an immediate response, an additional link will be added to the website right next to each E-packet that offers access to individual agenda items. This will provide a faster response as the documentation for one item is much smaller than the entire packet.

2. Offering Public Hearing Notice information.

A new link has been added to the left hand side of the front page of the City's website offering a link to Public Hearing information. Navigating to that link will provide access to the public hearing notice and backup materials for upcoming public hearings. Initially only City Council, Board of Zoning Appeals, Building Code Board of Appeals and Planning Commission Public notices will be posted on this site. If this proves to work well the site will be expanded to eventually include all Public Hearings. Attached are some screen shots of the new link and the Public Hearing Page.

Website Screen Shots

City of TROY
 City Services | Community | Departments | Government
 CITY HALL - 500 W. BIG BEAVER - TROY, MI 48084 - 248.524.3300 - 8:00am - 4:30pm

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Troy, Michigan U.S.A. - QUICK FACTS

- A vibrant community with a strong sense of civic pride
- A balanced community, rich in cultural diversity, community wellness & economic vitality
- Troy is the 12th largest city in Michigan (by population, 2000 Census counted Troy at 80,959)
- Troy is the 2nd largest city in the state based on total property value (Detroit is #1)
- Troy is located in one of the five most prosperous counties in the U.S.
- Troy's economic base is strong and balanced

For Your Information (FYI) NEWS FLASH!

- [Road Jurisdictions](#)
 If citizens have concerns related to road maintenance or pothole repair, please call the appropriate number for City or County Roads. The County also maintains the State roads. RCOC Citizen Concern line: 248.858.4804 (County & State Roads) City Roads: 248.524.3392
- [State of the City Speech 2005](#)
- [City of Troy Snow Plowing Policy/Procedure](#)
- [Adopt-Our-Senior Center Program](#)
- [Surplus Auctions](#)
- [Ash Tree Removal Project](#)
- [Recommended Trees to Plant](#)
- [I-75 Crooks/Long Lake Interchange Improvement Info\(Updated 09/04; 15MB pdf\)](#)
- [TRANSLATE this webpage](#)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN?
March
2
 BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS
 8:30 am
 ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
 7:00 pm
3
 SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 More Events

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Public Hearings and Notices (248) 524-3300

As required by law, the City of Troy publishes notices of public hearings in its "Newspaper of Record" -- the *Troy Somerset Gazette*.

This webpage is intended to increase citizen access to information about public hearings. You will find notices and backup information (if available) on public hearing items to be presented at City Council, Board of Zoning Appeals, Building Code Board of Appeals and Planning Commission Meetings.

City Council and other Boards and Committees may have additional public hearings not posted on this page. If you need information on a public hearing that you do not see listed here, please call the City Clerk's Office at 248.524.3316.

Date	Meeting Type	Public Hearing
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Planned Unit Development Amendment PUD #1
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Proposed Site Condominium Oak Forest Backup Material
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Proposed Site Condominium Oak Forest South Backup Material
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Rezoning Request Z 695 Backup Material
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Rezoning Request Z 700 Backup Material
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment ZOTA 215 A
Mar 8, 2005	Planning Commission	Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment ZOTA 215 C