



## CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

June 29, 2007

TO: Phillip L. Nelson, City Manager

FROM: Mary Redden, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: Standard Purchasing Resolution 9: Approval to Expend Funds for Membership Dues and Membership Renewals Over \$10,000: Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)

### **BACKGROUND**

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.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Funds are available in Council's membership and dues account.

### **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no legal considerations associated with this item.

### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no policy considerations associated with this item.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends authorization of the expenditure of funds for membership dues to SEMCOG for the period of July 15, 2007 - July 15, 2008.

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June 22, 2007

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CITY OF TROY  
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Dear Ms. Redden:

Thank you for your membership and your continued support and involvement in SEMCOG. We enjoy working with you and your staff ...doing together what we can't do alone. With the renewal of your membership for the 2007 calendar year, you will continue to receive important benefits including:

- Access to individualized analysis of local growth and development trends to help your local decision-making process;
- An opportunity to impact regional decisions that affect your community such as transportation and air and water quality;
- A strong advocate for Southeast Michigan with state and federal legislators and agencies for the good of the region and our citizens;
- Training for elected officials on a variety of topics important to the future of Southeast Michigan;
- A vast array of information on communities working together to provide services to residents; and
- A forum to discuss and address local concerns.

Enclosed is a special membership edition of *Regional Update*, SEMCOG's biweekly newsletter to members, outlining some of the tangible benefits of your SEMCOG membership. Also find the 2007 meeting calendar and the "Experience SEMCOG" brochure to help you get the most out of your membership.

For more information on making your SEMCOG membership work for you, visit [www.semco.org](http://www.semco.org), or contact Amy Malmer at 313-961-4266 or by e-mail at [malmer@semco.org](mailto:malmer@semco.org).

It is an honor to serve your community. Please let us know if there are ways we can better meet your needs.

Sincerely,



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