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Executive Director*

DRAFT AGENDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 19, 2018, 1:30 p.m.

Conference Call

1-877-596-2178, passcode: 83716935

1. **Welcome** – Brandy Siedlaczek, Chair
2. **Roll Call of Members** (ARC Staff) and record of others present

<i>Alliance of Rouge Communities Executive Committee</i>		
Officers		
Chair	Brandy Siedlaczek	Southfield
Vice-Chair	Doug Moore	Livonia
Treasurer	Jill Rickard	Northville Twp.
Past Chair	Gary Mekjian	Farmington Hills
Counties		
Oakland Co. – Rep.	Jim Nash	OCWRC
Oakland Co. – Alt.	Jim Wineka, Jacy Garrison	OCWRC
Washtenaw Co.- Rep.	Evan Pratt	WCWRC
Washtenaw Co.- Alt.	Heather Rice	WCWRC
Wayne Co. - Rep.	Noe Mullett	WCDPS
Wayne Co. - Alt.	Vacant	WCDPS
SWAGs		
Main 1 & 2 - Rep.	Charles Markus	Bloomfield Township
Main 1 & 2 - Alt.	Olivia Olsztyn-Budry	Bloomfield Township
Main 3 & 4 - Rep.	Vacant	
Main 3 & 4 - Alt.	Vacant	
Upper - Rep.	Karen Mondora	Farmington Hills
Upper - Alt.	Doug Moore	Livonia
Middle 1 - Rep.	Tom Casari	Northville Twp.
Middle 1 - Alt.	Aaron Staup	Novi
Middle 3 - Rep.	Kevin Roney	Garden City
Middle 3 - Alt.	Vacant	
Lower 1 - Rep.	Bob Belair	Canton Township
Lower 1 - Alt.	Vacant	
Lower 2 - Rep.	Ramzi El-Gharib, Mike Buiten	Wayne
Lower 2 - Alt.	Roberto Scappaticci	Romulus

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Rouge River Advisory Council
Southeastern Oakland
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The Henry Ford
Wayne State University*

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Auburn Hills
Beverly Hills
Bingham Farms
Birmingham
Bloomfield Hills
Bloomfield Twp.
Canton Twp.
Commerce Twp.
Dearborn Heights
Farmington
Farmington Hills
Franklin
Garden City
Henry Ford College
Inkster
Lathrup Village
Livonia
Melvindale
Northville
Northville Twp.
Novi
Oak Park
Oakland County
Orchard Lake
Plymouth
Plymouth Twp.
Redford Twp.
Rochester Hills
Romulus
Southfield
Troy
University of
Michigan-Dearborn
Van Buren Twp.
Walled Lake
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DRAFT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

November 8, 2017, 2:00 p.m.
Southfield Parks & Rec. Bldg., 26000 Evergreen

1. Welcome – Brandy Siedlaczek, Chair

2. Roll Call of Members

ECT took roll call of members and others in attendance. A quorum was present.

ARC Executive Committee			Attended Meeting
Officers			
Chair	Brandy Siedlaczek	Southfield	Y
Vice-Chair	Doug Moore	Livonia	Y
Treasurer	Jill Rickard	Northville Twp.	Y
Past Chair	Gary Mekjian	Farmington Hills	N
Counties			
Oakland Co. – Rep.	Jim Nash	OCWRC	N
Oakland Co. – Alt.	Jim Wineka, Jacy Garrison	OCWRC	Y-JG
Washtenaw Co.- Rep.	Evan Pratt	WCWRC	N
Washtenaw Co.- Alt.	Heather Rice	WCWRC	N
Wayne Co. - Rep.	Noel Mullett	WCDPS	Y
Wayne Co. - Alt.	Vacant	WCDPS	N
SWAGs			
Main 1 & 2 - Rep.	Charles Markus	Bloomfield Township	Y
Main 1 & 2 - Alt.	Olivia Olsztyn-Budry	Bloomfield Township	N
Main 3 & 4 - Rep.	VACANT		
Main 3 & 4 - Alt.	VACANT		
Upper - Rep.	Karen Mondora	Farmington Hills	N
Upper - Alt.	Doug Moore/Trisha Dotson	Livonia	Y
Middle 1 - Rep.	Tom Casari	Northville Township	N
Middle 1 - Alt.	Aaron Staup	Novi	N
Middle 3 - Rep.	Kevin Roney	Garden City	N
Middle 3 - Alt.	VACANT		
Lower 1 - Rep.	Bob Belair	Canton Township	N
Lower 1 - Alt.	VACANT		
Lower 2 - Rep.	Ramzi El-Gharib/Mike Buiten	Wayne	N
Lower 2 - Alt.	Roberto Scappaticci	Romulus	N

Others Present: Annette DeMaria, John O’Meara, Jim Ridgway and Chris O’Meara, ECT Staff

3. Additions or Changes to Draft Agenda

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

4. Summary of July 12, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting

The motion was made by Jill Rickard, Northville Twp., to accept the July 12, 2017 meeting summary. The motion was seconded by Doug Moore, Livonia, and passed unanimously.

5. Executive Director Report

a. Grant Status Report

John O'Meara and Annette DeMaria, ARC Staff, gave the grant project status report.

ONGOING GRANTS

NOAA GLRI Habitat Restoration: Henry Ford Estate Dam Fish Passage (design)

Completed and Final report approved.

Collaborative Invasive Species Control in Rouge and Detroit River AOC

The project is being led by Wayne County DPS. The ARC will be conducting a controlled burn of invasive species in Southfield during the month of November 2017.

SAW Grant: Monitoring and Stormwater Management Planning

Public Education

Collaborative PEP and PPP plans were approved on March 28, 2017

Completed the development of the Public Attitudes Survey (PAS). It will be distributed in mid-July and continue through the fall workshops. Dates have been scheduled for 2 workshops to promote the PAS October 26 in West Bloomfield Twp., Oakland County and October 11 in Canton Twp., Wayne County. Traveling display banners have been in Livonia, Redford Twp., Northville Twp., Westland and Canton Twp. Developed list of responsibilities by permittee-type.

IDEP

Collaborative IDEP Plan was approved by MDEQ on Sept 29, 2017. Developed list of responsibilities by permittee-type. Outfall GIS layer updated: Missing West Bloomfield Twp and Dearborn Hgts. Review of the IDEP methods of non-Rouge MS4s is in progress. Permit applications Municipal facility inspections – no requests to date. Marty Hedges is interim MDEQ MS4 coordinator for the Rouge. No feedback from MDEQ on the individual applications.

TMDL

Met with MDEQ in July 2017 to discuss their comments on the Plan. Prepare a written response and sent it on September 5, 2017.

Monitoring

Completed 20 weeks of E. coli and suspended solids sampling at 90 sites. Captured continuous dissolved oxygen and flow data at 6 sites. Completed 10 weeks of continuous dissolved oxygen monitoring at Meadowbrook Road. Summary report in progress. Distributed results of the E. coli sampling to ARC members on a periodic basis. Shared final results to FOTR for their use. Bacterial source tracking sampling – none to date.

Stormwater Financing

Met with pilot communities to review GIS and cost information. Began drafting report.

NOAA Regional Partnership

This grant, administered by Friends of the Detroit River, is a partnership for conducting listed habitat projects within the Detroit and Rouge AOCs as determined by EPA and NOAA. There are no activities for the Rouge currently.

EPA Wayne County Rouge AOC Habitat Projects

Henry Ford Estate Dam Fish Passage

Received Michigan SHPO clearance. Received MDEQ permit. Received T&E permit. Drafted Wayne County Contract Documents. Project advertised for Bid November 2017. Pre-Bid meeting scheduled for November 10, 2017. Bids due December 7, 2017.

Oxbow Phase III Implementation

Received USACE Section 408 clearance. Drafted Wayne County Contract Documents. Project advertised for Bid in October 2017. Pre-Bid meeting held November 1, 2017. Bids due December 5, 2017

MDEQ OGL Public Advisory Support

Held RRAC meeting in October 2017.

GLRI USDA Forest Service

The ARC was awarded the grant from the USDA Forest Service for trees to “Mitigate Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Impacts. Contract agreements being completed. ARC staff will begin working with the 19 members that are participating this last quarter of 2017.

GRANTS SUBMITTED

None at this time.

b. Rouge River Watershed Council (RRWC) update

The committee discussed the proposed merger with the ARC and FOTR and chose to discontinue the proposed merger. It was determined that the merger would preclude the communities ability to take advantage of all funding opportunities. The access to most forms of public funding (of which the ARC has benefitted) the board must be controlled by municipal employees/officials. The proposed merger sought a Board representing the public, businesses and municipalities. Thus, the lawyers have suggested there will still need to be two separate entities. Given the current FOTR staffing mix, the new entity(ies) would likely need to hire a consultant to perform most of the permit required services. After much discussion, it was felt that these issues would prevent ARC from getting more benefit from their member dues. The Executive Committee requested that ARC staff and Karen Mondora prepare a memo to the Full ARC summarizing the decision not to continue with the merger at this time. The ARC will continue to look for opportunities to partner and/or contract with Friends of the Rouge moving forward.

6. Standing Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee

A/R Report - 2017 Membership Dues

Chris O’Meara reported that all ARC dues have been received.

2016 Audit

Chris O’Meara reviewed the 2016 Audit which showed no instances of noncompliance and no significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the financial statements. Chris O’Meara informed the committee that three instances were noted by the accountants where noncash donations received

by the ARC were not recorded in the accounting software (Quickbooks), but were reported to the granting agency. The accountants and ARC staff developed an additional internal control to prevent the omission of this in the future. The motion was made by Jacy Garrison, Oakland County, to forward the 2016 Audit to the Full ARC for acceptance. The motion was seconded by Noel Mullett, Wayne County and passed unanimously.

2017 Budget/Scope Amendment

FC5-SAW1 – Outfall Screening

Annette DeMaria reviewed the amendment stating that ARC Staff will review available information and develop a list of priority outfalls that require sampling. This will include review of the 2017 monitoring data, outfall characteristics, proximity to recreation areas, history of the area, and the previous IDEP report for each community (see IDEP Plan, page 9). A list of priority outfalls will be developed for each community with the rationale for selection.

Each priority outfall will be inspected and sampled for E. coli according to the procedures outlined in Attachment C of the IDEP Plan. The resulting data will be analyzed, and suspicious discharges will be identified (see IDEP Plan, pages 9-10). A summary report will be developed for each community which identifies the outfalls screened, screening data, sampling results and suspicious discharges. In addition, a watershed-wide summary report will be prepared that identifies the suspicious outfalls across the watershed. For budgeting purposes, it is assumed that 450 outfalls will be screened and half of them will be discharging and subject to E. coli sampling.

This task uses current budgeted SAW grant funds and therefore does not increase the ARC's 2017 budget. However, there are only \$113,863 unallocated funds left in the SAW grant. Therefore, it is suggested that the budget (\$19,660) for municipal facility pollution prevention inspections be reallocated to this task. To date, no ARC member has requested these inspections. This reallocation will allow this task to be fully funded by the SAW grant and leave \$4,749 in unallocated SAW funds.

The motion was made by Jill Rickard, Northville Township, to forward to the Full ARC FC5 which uses unallocated SAW grant funds and reallocates budget from the SAW budget for municipal facility pollution prevention inspections for a total budget of \$128,774. The motion was seconded by Doug Moore, Livonia, and passed unanimously.

2013 ECT Contract Amendment

Revision to Appendix I – to include FC5

John O'Meara reviewed the contract amendment which would add \$109,114 to include budget for the outfall screening (FC5-SAW1) under the ECT Services.

The motion was made by Charles Markus, Bloomfield Township, to forward to the Full ARC the revision to Appendix I to include FC5 – Outfall Screening. The motion was seconded by Jill Rickard, Northville Twp., and passed unanimously.

ARC General Budgeting and 2018 Budget Recommendations

John O'Meara handed out and reviewed the ARC Budgeting Package. He explained that the ARC dues have stayed the same since inception in 2006 with one repropotion in 2015 because of the census update. The ARC's original budget was approximately \$520,000 with 50% of that paid by the Rouge Grant which has since gone away. The 2017 budget was \$311,000 from non-outside sources with \$263,730 collected in dues. Because of the new permit requirements there are additional activities required of ARC members.

A proposed 5-year budget and scope of work were handed out to the committee for discussion. It is based on: the new permit requirements as outlined in the final Collaborative PEP, PPP, IDEP and TMDL (draft) plans and updated community operational needs. The detailed costs were discussed and analyzed. Once the Collaborative TMDL plan is approved, the 5-year budget will be revised to reflect the final TMDL requirements. We also expect to have a clearer picture of the long-term ARC community costs at the end of 2018 once the Executive Director Services contract is renewed. John O'Meara stated that the ARC will continue to look at management actions to help with costs such as grant funding, negotiations on next permit, and limiting operational services. He reviewed the projected annual budget which could range from \$349,686 to \$441,675 depending on the amount of activities planned. The committee discussed and reviewed various scenarios and decided to suggest a 20% increase in member dues for 2018 with the potential for cost-of-living increases thereafter. With this scenario the anticipated 2018 dues would be \$316,476 which remains below the low-end estimate but the committee found it an acceptable first step. The committee also discussed the possibility for a cost-of-living increases at 2-3% annually moving forward. These changes would result in achieving the low-end estimate of ongoing costs within 5 years.

The motion was made by Jill Rickard, Northville Twp., to recommend to the Full ARC a dues increase of 20% in 2018. The motion was seconded by Charles Markus, Bloomfield Twp. and passed unanimously.

ECT Request for Contract Extension

John O'Meara presented the request to extend ECT's contract through 12/31/18. Acceptance would result in a final, one-year extension under the existing contract after which the Executive Director Services contract would need to be re-solicited. The motion was made by Jill Rickard, Northville Twp., to extend ECT's contract through 12/31/18. The motion was seconded by Doug Moore, Livonia, and passed unanimously.

b. Organization Committee

Nothing to report.

c. PIE (Public Involvement and Education) Committee

Charles Markus reported that the tree seedlings were a success and finished up distribution this fall. Native plants seeds will be available this coming spring. ARC Staff will end the year with designing the new homeowner's brochure which will be printed in early 2018. We will also have a newsletter article written before the end of the year to go in community's newsletters and social media outlets.

The tree saplings are to be discontinued in 2018 as they will not go towards meeting our permit requirements. The U of M Water Table will be replacing the tree saplings in 2018 and will meet permit activities under the workshops. The workshops that the ARC held in 2017 were not well attended so the classroom involvement will guarantee our minimum attendee requirement under the Collaborative PEP. The PIE Committee is also planning to do a webinar in 2018 to see if we can get more attendees and a different age group. The traveling banners will continue in 2018.

A reminder to ARC member communities to like/share/follow the ARC on Facebook. These will be used in reporting activities on the Collaborative PEP.

d. Technical Committee

Annette DeMaria reported, on behalf of Karen Mondora, that dye testing activities are in progress in the City of Plymouth and one illicit connection has been discovered to date. At least two more illicit connections are expected based on field observations. Investigation in Bloomfield Twp. have yet to

reveal any additional illicit connections. In Southfield, the Fracassi Drain is being televised and a list of homes needing dye testing is being developed.

IDEP Investigator training was held in Clinton Twp in October and 63 people attended.

ARC Staff had some discussions with MDEQ on the TMDL Collaborative Plan. MDEQ is still requesting a second round of sampling which ED staff believes is unnecessary. A written response from MDEQ is expected soon.

7. Report from Counties

Jacy Garrison, Oakland County, reported that the County's Stormwater Standards are close to being approved but they don't know when it will be available. They continue to coordinate with Macomb and Wayne County.

Noel Mullett, Wayne County, had nothing to report.

8. Summary of Executive Committee Actions

- The motion was approved to accept the July 12, 2017 meeting summary.
- The motion was approved to forward the 2016 Audit to the Full ARC for acceptance.
- The motion was approved to forward to the Full ARC FC5 – scope change to SAW1 Outfall Screening.
- The motion was approved to forward to the Full ARC the amendment revising ECT's 2013 contract Appendix I to include FC5.
- The motion was approved to forward to the Full ARC the 2018 Budget Recommendations and dues increase as presented by the Finance Committee.
- The motion was approved to forward to the Full ARC the recommendation to extend ECT's contract to 12/31/18.

10. Upcoming Meeting(s)

- Full ARC Meeting, November 21, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., at the Summit on the Park in Canton.

11. Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jill Rickard, Northville Twp., and seconded by Doug Moore, Livonia. The motion passed.

Alliance of Rouge Communities
A/P Aging Summary
As of April 16, 2018

	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>> 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Environmental Consulting & Technology, In	32,130.44	60,714.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	92,844.93
USGS	0.00	81,355.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	81,355.00
Wayne County - DOE	0.00	24,312.83	0.00	0.00	34,993.63	59,306.46
TOTAL	<u>32,130.44</u>	<u>166,382.32</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>34,993.63</u>	<u>233,506.39</u>

**Alliance of Rouge Communities
A/R Aging Summary
As of April 16, 2018**

	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>> 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Bloomfield Township	18,993.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,993.00
Canton Township	32,756.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,756.00
Inkster	6,794.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,794.00
Livonia	34,203.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,203.00
MDEQ SAW Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	36,261.39	0.00	36,261.39
Pontiac	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Redford Township	13,933.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,933.00
Wayne County Airport Authority	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wayne County DOE	0.00	11,043.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,043.85
TOTAL	<u>106,679.00</u>	<u>11,043.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>36,261.39</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>153,984.24</u>

Alliance of Rouge Communities
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
December 2017 through December 2018

	Dec '17 - Dec 18	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
47200 - Program Income		
4788 - 2018 ARC Membership Dues	163,545.00	316,476.00
Total 47200 - Program Income	163,545.00	316,476.00
48000 - Grants		
48811 - FS1 US Forestry EAB Restoration	0.00	100,000.00
48905 - WCGL1 Inv Spec Col 2014	0.00	1,000.00
48907 - SAW1 Stormwater Permit app 2015	0.00	750,000.00
48911 - GLC PAC Support 9 RRAC Fac17-18	0.00	12,000.00
60665 - WC EPA1 HFE Fishway	0.00	225,000.00
60666 - WC EPA2 Oxbow Phase 3	0.00	200,000.00
Total 48000 - Grants	0.00	1,288,000.00
Total Income	163,545.00	1,604,476.00
Expense		
60400 - ARC Awards and Grants		
60410 - Executive Director Services		
60410.1 - OC1-Exec. Dir. Services	10,024.03	90,000.00
Total 60410 - Executive Director Services	10,024.03	90,000.00
60420 - Public Involv. & Education Com.		
60420.1 - PIE1-Col PEP/PPP Annual act.	670.00	45,560.00
60420.2 - PIE2-Col PEP/PPP 5yr activities	0.00	25,016.00
Total 60420 - Public Involv. & Education Com.	670.00	70,576.00
60430 - Technical Committee		
60432.1 - TC1-Col IDEP/TMDL annual	2,520.00	79,600.00
60432.2 - TC2-Col IDEP/TMDL 5yr	0.00	11,384.00
60432.3 - TC3-5 yr large scale outfall	0.00	25,755.00
60432.4 - TC4-5 yr large scale monitoring	0.00	34,650.00
Total 60430 - Technical Committee	2,520.00	151,389.00
604606 - SPAC9-RRAC Facilitation 2017	1,367.50	12,000.00
60602 - FS3 - US Forestry EAB2017	1,722.50	100,000.00
60662 - SAW1 - SW permits		
6066201 - SAW Grant PEP Plan	8.33	
6066202 - SAW Grant IDEP Plan	26,024.82	
6066203 - SAW Grant GH/P2	170.00	
6066204 - SAW Grant Admin	1,670.00	
6066207 - SAW Grant TMDL	645.00	
6066208 - SAW Grant SW Fund Frm	21,267.50	
6066209 - SAW Ecosystem monitoring	32,692.50	
60662 - SAW1 - SW permits - Other	0.00	750,000.00
Total 60662 - SAW1 - SW permits	82,478.15	750,000.00
60663 - WCGL1 - WC Inv Species Collab.	0.00	1,000.00
Total 60400 - ARC Awards and Grants	98,782.18	1,174,965.00
606651 - WC EPA1 HFE Fishway	8,236.25	225,000.00
606652 - WC EPA2 Oxbow Phase 3	2,181.50	200,000.00

**Alliance of Rouge Communities
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
December 2017 through December 2018**

	<u>Dec '17 - Dec 18</u>	<u>Budget</u>
62100 - Contract Services		
62110 - FC1-Accounting Fees	0.00	18,000.00
62140 - FC1-Legal Fees	0.00	2,000.00
65120 - FC2-Insurance - D&O	936.00	1,500.00
65121 - Mailbox and web hosting fee	69.90	1,250.00
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Total 62100 - Contract Services	1,005.90	22,750.00
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Total Expense	110,205.83	1,622,715.00
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Net Ordinary Income	53,339.17	-18,239.00
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Net Income	53,339.17	-18,239.00
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Alliance of Rouge Communities
 Executive Director Services 2013 Contract
 Scope of Services for 2017 U.S. Forest Service Grant:
 Restoring Tree Canopy in the Rouge River AOC
Grant # 18-DG-11420004-006
 Revised Appendix F

Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.
 October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2019

The total compensation for this scope of services is an additional \$15,000 for Task 1: Project Oversight/Planning/Verification, as approved by the U.S. Forest on 12/11/17. The ARC will be reimbursed by the U.S. Forest Service for 100% of this cost.

Project

The Alliance of Rouge Communities has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from the U.S. Forest Service to replace trees lost to the Emerald Ash Borer infestation in the Rouge River Watershed. The proposed project will restore the urban tree canopy in the Rouge River Watershed – the state of Michigan’s most urban watershed and ground zero for the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Infestation beginning in 2002. The newly planted trees will replace those that were damaged or removed because of the effects of EAB. The EAB was particularly devastating to the Rouge River Watershed, since this area was where the invasive species was first discovered. By planting new trees a healthy, functional and more diverse urban tree canopy can be restored in the Rouge River watershed and the effects of storm water pollution, such as soil erosion, air pollution and harmful effects to habitat will be reduced.

Project Tasks

- Grant Coordination and administration
- Development and oversight of Tree procedures
- Verification of Communities’ Tree Maps

Deliverables: IAA’s with communities, list of non-invasive trees chosen for planting; tree procedures; summary of communities’ tree maps and estimated stormwater reduction and grant final report.

The ARC, as the applicant, will provide project oversight and coordination with the U.S. Forest Service. ARC staff will have meetings with the project partners to determine types of trees; review community maps to verify tree plantings. Representatives will include project partners, State of Michigan Forester and other interested parties. Locations will be determined by the GLRI-Funded “Tree Enhancements on Publicly-Owned Priority Urban Areas,” the Rouge River Watershed Plan and local community plans.

ARC MEMBER 2019 DUES INCREASE

Community/County	2017 Dues	Change	2018 Dues	2019 2%	2019 Dues
Canton Twp.	\$27,297	\$5,459	\$32,756	\$655	\$33,411
Dearborn Heights	\$8,837	\$1,767	\$10,605	\$212	\$10,817
Garden City	\$6,405	\$1,281	\$7,686	\$154	\$7,840
Inkster	\$5,662	\$1,132	\$6,794	\$136	\$6,930
Livonia	\$28,502	\$5,700	\$34,203	\$684	\$34,887
Melvindale	\$2,628	\$526	\$3,154	\$63	\$3,217
Northville	\$1,680	\$336	\$2,016	\$40	\$2,056
Northville Twp.	\$10,437	\$2,087	\$12,525	\$251	\$12,776
Plymouth	\$2,222	\$444	\$2,667	\$53	\$2,720
Plymouth Twp.	\$10,383	\$2,077	\$12,460	\$249	\$12,709
Redford Twp.	\$11,610	\$2,322	\$13,933	\$279	\$14,212
Romulus	\$2,124	\$425	\$2,548	\$51	\$2,599
Van Buren Twp.	\$6,652	\$1,330	\$7,982	\$160	\$8,142
Wayne	\$4,922	\$984	\$5,907	\$118	\$6,025
Westland	\$19,828	\$3,966	\$23,794	\$476	\$24,270
Wayne County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Auburn Hills	\$267	\$53	\$320	\$6	\$326
Beverly Hills	\$2,851	\$570	\$3,421	\$68	\$3,489
Bingham Farms	\$644	\$129	\$772	\$15	\$787
Birmingham	\$3,114	\$623	\$3,737	\$75	\$3,812
Bloomfield Hills	\$2,544	\$509	\$3,053	\$61	\$3,114
Bloomfield Twp.	\$15,827	\$3,165	\$18,993	\$380	\$19,373
Commerce Twp.	\$549	\$110	\$659	\$13	\$672
Farmington	\$2,594	\$519	\$3,112	\$62	\$3,174
Farmington Hills	\$24,935	\$4,987	\$29,922	\$598	\$30,520
Franklin	\$1,498	\$300	\$1,798	\$36	\$1,834
Lathrup Village	\$1,197	\$239	\$1,436	\$29	\$1,465
Novi	\$16,635	\$3,327	\$19,963	\$399	\$20,362
Rochester Hills	\$1,911	\$382	\$2,293	\$46	\$2,339
Southfield	\$17,943	\$3,589	\$21,532	\$431	\$21,963
Troy	\$4,411	\$882	\$5,294	\$106	\$5,400
Walled Lake	\$754	\$151	\$905	\$18	\$923
Wixom	\$535	\$107	\$642	\$13	\$655
Oakland County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
West Bloomfield Twp.	\$12,295	\$2,459	\$14,754	\$295	\$15,049
Oak Park	\$151	\$30	\$182	\$4	\$186
Orchard Lake	\$117	\$23	\$140	\$3	\$143
Henry Ford Community College	\$750	\$150	\$900	\$18	\$918
University of Michigan-Dearborn	\$750	\$150	\$900	\$18	\$918
WCAA	\$2,266	\$453	\$2,719	\$54	\$2,773
Washtenaw County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$263,730	\$52,746	\$316,476	\$6,330	\$322,807