MEMORANDUM



TO:

CLAY PEARSON, CITY MANAGER

FROM:

RANDY AULER, CPRP, DIRECTOR

PARKS, RECREATION & FORESTRY

SUBJECT: 2007 MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND LAND

ACQUISITION GRANT (HERITAGE SHOPPES PROPERTY)

DATE:

DECEMBER 5, 2007

The Novi Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department is pleased to announce the receipt of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Land Acquisition Grant in the amount of \$281,300. This grant will enable the acquisition of 16.2 acres of property, which is located adjacent to existing park property located between Nine Mile and Napier Roads.

On December 4, 2007, our team (Councilmember Andrew Mutch, Senator Nancy Cassis, and Steve Printz) attended and briefly spoke at the MNRTF Board meeting in support of this project. One of the property owners, Mr. Jerry Beale, (Heritage Shoppes LLC) was also in attendance at this meeting. A total of 45 land acquisition grants were reviewed by the MNRTF Board with 30 of those projects being funded.

This high quality woodlands and wetlands will be preserved as park property.

