Emergency Financial Manager of the City of Ecorse (Directive No. 020)

ORDER OF THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF ECORSE, THE CITY OF RIVER ROUGE AND THE WAYNE COUNTY LIBRARIAN.

WHEREAS, under the Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act, Act 72, Public Acts of Michigan, 1990, as amended ("Act 72") and a Contract (the "Contract") between the State of Michigan and Joyce A. Parker, dated October 30, 2009, Joyce A. Parker has been appointed as the Emergency Financial Manager (the "EFM") of the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan (the "City") and charged with the power to take actions with respect to the City, including the power to exercise the authority and responsibilities of the Mayor, as Chief Administrative Officer of the City, and of the City Council, as the governing body of the City, concerning the adoption, amendment and enforcement of ordinances or resolutions affecting the financial condition of the City as provided in the Home Rule City

Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended ("Act 279"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 72 and the Contract, the EFM, as the Chief Administrative Officer of the City, is authorized to, among other things, make, approve, or disapprove any appropriation, contract, expenditure, or loan for the City as she may deem necessary within her sole discretion to accomplish the purposes of Act 72; and

WHEREAS, The Wayne County Library, is recommending a joint agreement between the City of Ecorse, City of River Rouge and Wayne County Library to provide a librarian on a shared basis to reduce cost in each respective community.

WHEREAS, the EFM has determined it is the best financial interest of the City to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding for Library Services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, PURSUANT TO ACT 72 AND THE CONTRACT, THAT:

1. <u>Approval, Execution and Deliver of Memorandum of Understanding</u>. The EFM is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the final Ecorse/River Rouge Shared Agreement on behalf of the City, and upon execution, the Memorandum of Understanding shall become valid on the City, in accordance with its terms.

- 2. <u>Authorization of Other Necessary Action</u>. The Mayor Pro Tem, The Finance Director, the Treasurer and the City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the City to take any and all other actions, perform any and all acts and execute any and all documents as directed by the EFM as shall be necessary or desirable to implement this Order.
- 3. <u>Repeal</u>. All orders of the EFM, resolutions of the City Council of the City, and parts of resolutions or orders in conflict with this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SO ORDERED this 3rd day of May, 2010.

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Emergency Financial Manager

City of Ecorse



Memorandum of Agreement
Between
City of Ecorse, Ecorse Public Library
and
City of River Rouge, River Rouge Public Library

ARTICLE I PARTIES AND PURPOSE

The City of Ecorse and the City of River Rouge have agreed to enter into an agreement to protect the quality of library services and reduce library expenditures by sharing one Library Director between each of the libraries.

In 2009, financial management experts determined that a financial emergency existed in the City of Ecorse. The State of Michigan named Joyce A. Parker Emergency Financial Manager (EFM) for the City of Ecorse on October 30, 2009. Ecorse has a library millage of .25 mills.

The City of River Rouge is facing a variety of financial difficulties including increased costs and a reduction in revenue. State officials have recommend that River Rouge merge some of their services with Ecorse. River Rouge has a dedicated millage of .8 mills.

The salary and benefits of the shared Library Director will be split between Ecorse and River Rouge. Ecorse will pay 30% of the expenses and River Rouge will pay 70%. The director will spend 12 hours per week at Ecorse and 28 hours per week at River Rouge.

The Library Director will work at the Ecorse Public Library on Monday and Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. The Library Director will work at the River Rouge Public Library on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, all day on Wednesday, Thursday mornings and all day Saturday (Friday during the summer). This schedule may be temporarily changed due to staffing issues such as annual leave and sick time with the approval of the Wayne County Librarian.

The Library Director will be responsible for the operation and supervision of both library facilities as well as be responsible for the work of all other library employees. The Library Director will continue to have the following essential job duties: planning and budgeting, operations management, collection development, program development, training and supervision of staff and maintain an effective working relationship with local officials and community groups.

The Wayne County Department of Management and Budget will be responsible for ensuring that each library is correctly billed for their portion of the Library Director's salary and benefits.

ARTICLE II DURATION, TERMINATION AND MODIFICATION

This Memorandum of Agreement shall become effective when signed by all parties and shall remain in force in perpetuity.

The Wayne County Librarian should be contacted immediately should any difficulties or disputes arise.

Any modification shall require the written approval of the City of Ecorse, the City of River Rouge, and the Wayne County Librarian or their designees.

This Memorandum of Agreement may be terminated by either party with three (3) months written notice of intent to terminate.

Representatives from Ecorse, River Rouge and the Wayne County Library will meet three months after the date this Memorandum is signed to review the arrangement and ensure that all parties are satisfied with the agreement.

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