

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-112

AGENDA:

MARCH 10, 2003

SUBJECT:

DENIAL OF TAX
ABATEMENT
APPLICATION FOR
2002 – 6550
BLOOMFIELD
ROAD

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

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ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
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SYNOPSIS —

Attached to the roll call is one tax abatement application for 2002 for 6550 Bloomfield Road (Loco Joe's). This application is located in an approved commercial abatement area in the City; however, the building does not meet the requirements for eligible improvements. Eligible improvements must meet the criteria defined in the 9th amendment to the Restated Urban Revitalization Plan in Section H 1(c)(xii). The section states that "each habitable building upon the property must have 100 percent of its exterior façade facing any public street, excluding windows and doors, covered with stone, brick, Dryvit or similar synthetic stucco treatment, architectural tilt-up concrete panels, tile, or architectural block, such as split-faced block, or a combination of such materials." The structure located at 6550 Bloomfield Road has façades constructed of metal. Therefore, staff recommends denial of tax abatement for this property.

FISCAL IMPACT —

None.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

The City Council first enacted tax abatement programs for the City on September 28, 1987, by Roll Call No. 87-4009. Loco Joe's, 6550 Bloomfield Road, is requesting tax abatement for improvements made to their property during 2002. However, the property does not meet the required criteria for external materials facing public streets; therefore, is not eligible to receive tax abatement. This application for abatement is recommended for denial.

