Woodland City Council Council Chambers City Hall

300 First Street

Woodland, California

November 27, 1990

The Woodland City Council met in adjourned session at 7:05 p.m.

# **ROLL CALL:**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Crescione, Flory, Holman

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Sandy, Timothy

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Ott, Wilkinson, Agostini, Shelby

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Hildebrand, Arteche

STAFF PRESENT: Pinegar, Ruggiero, Woodruff

OTHERS PRESENT: Peter Gaffney, Alan Flory

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

No communications were received.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No comments were made regarding items not on the agenda.

### **REVIEW OF MILLS ACT:**

Associate Planner Ron Pinegar gave an overview of the Mills Act to the City Council. He described several issues related to the implementation of the Mills Act. These issues included the selection criteria, revenue loss to the City, the County and the Redevelopment Agency, local staffing and the role of the Yolo County Assessor. Mr. Pinegar explained the conversations he had with several cities who have implemented the Mills Act. He noted that each City said that they were progressing very slowly and were very selective as to which historical structures would be put under contract.

Peter Gaffney, State Board of Equalization staff member, provided additional

technical information on the provisions of the Mills Act. He stated that the intent was to stop deterioration and encourage rehabilitation by providing a tax savings.

Mr. Pinegar then went through each issue and gave examples of how other cities addressed these issues.

Alan Flory, Yolo County Assessor, explained the provisions of Proposition 13 and how it affects rehabilitation of historical buildings. He described the program as a "rich man's folly." He stated that if the City does desire to proceed with the contracts the City should include a stipulation of the net figure and escalation figures. There was a general discussion as to how the Mills Act could benefit an individual seeking to buy and renovate a historical residence.

The Historical Preservation Commissioners felt that their intent was to limit the number of applications per year and limit the applicant to the criteria of the commission -- those that would be eligible for the local historical landmark status.

The Council indicated it would like to know more about the Mills Act but would like to see a number of options to address the issue of encouragement for rehabilitation and preservation of historic buildings.

Council Member Flory left the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

# **REVIEW OF FISCAL REPORT:**

Finance Director Peter Woodruff reviewed the Fiscal Year 1989-90 financial statements.

# **ADJOURNMENT**:

At 9:00 p.m. the meeting was adjo	ourned.
Mayor of the City of Woodland	