

**Woodland Public Library Board of Trustees
Special Meeting
Minutes, May 12, 2008**

Present: Kay Hodges, Tom Pavao, Alain Traig, Jorel Difuntorum

Excused Absence: Bud Goding

Staff: Sandra Briggs

The special meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by Alan Traig, standing in for Bud Goding.

Visitors Mark Deven, Woodland City Manager and Bobby Harris, Woodland City Council Candidate was welcomed. There was no public comment.

As noticed in the agenda of the special meeting, a briefing regarding the 2009 budget is the purpose on the meeting.

Sandra Briggs provided an overview of the specific library issues contained in the three documents to be presented to City Council in the Study Session scheduled for May 13, 2008. The documents included Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget and Ten Year Financial Plan, Fiscal Years 2009 Through 2011 Proposed Capital Budget and Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan, and Measure E Spending Plan Update.

Mark Deven provided a broader context of the City's budget noting that this year's budget necessitated the closure of a \$6.5 million gap followed on the heels of a \$2.7 million reduction in operating expenses at midyear 2007. In addition, \$12 million reductions were necessary in capital expenses. Measure E is a 12-year measure sun setting in 2018. All major projects need to be completed by then to maintain faith with voters. It is not a question of if the Library Expansion project will be funded but rather of when.

Expressed concerns included the following:

- Using the proposed 90 development impact/10 Measure E split which causes reliance for expansion on developer impact fees seems imprudent based on the downturn in building and development. The Board requested information regarding the actual allocation for the Library from Development Impact fees.
- Removing one of two equal funding sources will necessarily slow the rate of collection of revenue by half.
- The removal of Road Rehabilitation from the shared reductions necessitated by decreased revenue collection in MSE actually compounds the impact for all remaining projects beyond the identified proportionate amount.
- Delay in the Expansion Project will increase the estimated cost of construction due to inflation in construction materials.

- Any expenditure on existing space would diminish available capital for expansion. The expansion project needs to go forward as planned. Board and staff will deal with staffing separately and independently.

The Woodland City Council will meet in study session on May 13, 2008 at 5 pm in Council Chambers to consider the 2009 budget. Sandy Briggs will attend as staff; the role of staff is to be available to answer any questions. It is a public meeting, and Board members may attend. The Board members expressed appreciation for the opportunity to meet with the City Manager.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

The next meeting is a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 19, 2008.

Minutes prepared by Sandy Briggs.