

**APPROVED ACTION MINUTES
CITY OF WOODLAND
PLANNING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2009**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Murray; Sanders; Barzo; Gonzalez

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Lopez; Wurzel

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Hanson

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

- Commissioner Sanders: He announced that public comment cards that are being implemented this evening. He asked anyone who would like to comment this evening to complete a card, including name, address, if they live in Woodland and the item that they would like to discuss. He also reminded the Commissioners to call the Community Development Department main phone line if they will be absent from a Commission meeting.

- Director's Report:
 - None

- Approval of Minutes: **June 18, 2009**

It was moved by Commissioner Murray and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez that the Planning Commission minutes of June 18, 2009 be approved as written.

AYES:	Commissioners Murray, Sanders, Barzo and Gonzalez
NOES:	None
ABSTAINED:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioners Lopez and Wurzel

- Public Comment: This is an opportunity for the public to speak to the Commission on any item other than those listed on the Agenda. The Chairman may impose a time limit on any speaker.
 - None
- Communication – Commission Statements and Requests: This is an opportunity for the Commission members to make comments and announcements to express concerns or to

request Commission's consideration of any item a Commission member would like to have discussed at a future Commission meeting.

- Commissioner Murray: She had no announcements or comments.
 - Commissioner Barzo: He asked about the vacant gas station located at West and Court streets. He said that he is concerned about the weeds.
 - Paul Hanson, AICP, Senior Planner: He said that he believes this location is bank owned and the company is bankrupt. He said that staff will contact the Bank to follow up on the concerns regarding the weeds.
 - Commissioner Gonzalez: She had no announcements or comments.
 - Commissioner Sanders: He had no announcements or comments.
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- Subcommittee Reports:
 - None

NEW BUSINESS:

- None

PUBLIC HEARING:

- **Main Street Downtown Mural**

The applicant, Aide Silva, a representing Health Education Council is requesting approval for a Main Street Downtown Mural to be painted to the east-facing wall of Silvina's Basket Restaurant at 816 Main Street. The mural will emphasize the importance of good nutrition, activity, and promotion of healthy lifestyle choices (APN: 006-571-04) in the Central Business District – Area A. It is estimated that the mural will take 2 months to complete. The completion of the mural will be presented as part of September's Latino Health Awareness Month activities.

Applicant:	Aide Silva, Health Education Council
Staff Contact:	Paul L. Hanson, AICP, Senior Planner
Recommended Action:	Approval

- Paul Hanson: He noted a correction to the first page of the staff report. It should read Main Street and not Main Court Street. He presented the staff report and made a recommendation for approval.
- Maceo Montoya, Artist: He discussed the details of the mural.
- Commissioner Sanders: He opened public comment.
- Ignacio Romero: He spoke in support of the project.

- Anita Long: She spoke in support of the project and made a request that the artist consider depicting a more culturally diverse group in the mural.
- Tori Duke: She stood with Anita Long during public comment but did not personally speak regarding the project.
- Malaquias Montoya: He spoke in support of the project.
- Carlos Jackson: He spoke in support of the project.
- Lamar Heystek: He spoke in support of the project.
- Silvina Salcedo: She spoke in support of the project.
- Daniel Mora: He spoke in support of the project.
- Sonia Mora: She spoke in support of the project.
- Edgar Lampkin: He spoke in support of the project.
- Anita Long: She reiterated her support of the project.
- Ramona Mosley: She spoke in support of the project.
- Aide Silva, Applicant: She spoke in support of the project.
- Al Eby: He spoke regarding his concerns about the content of the mural and its fit within Historic Downtown Woodland. He also submitted written suggestions to the Planning Commission.
- Commission Sanders: He closed public comment.

The Planning Commissioners discussed the project.

It was moved by Commissioner Barzo, seconded by Commissioner Murray and unanimously moved that the Planning Commission approve the mural proposal to be located on the east-facing wall of Silvina's Basket Restaurant at 816 Main Court Street subject to the following findings:

1. The mural demonstrates superior artistic quality and theme as opposed to direct or indirect illustrative advertising and;
2. The mural has been designed to enhance and distinguish the architectural features of the structure on which it is being placed and;
3. The colors and materials used are reasonably harmonious with those in the area and are not being used for the exclusive purpose of calling attention to the mural and;
4. The mural is consistent with the vision of the Downtown Specific Plan and;
5. The mural has been reviewed by the Woodland Planning Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Norris
Principal Planner