

**Woodland City Council Minutes
Council Chambers
300 First Street
Woodland, California**

March 23, 1999

The Woodland City Council met in special session at 6:00 p.m. in the second floor conference room of City Hall in order to convene a closed session. Before the closed session in the Council Chambers the Vice Mayor announced the closed session topic.

The Council then convened the closed session for a conference with Labor Negotiator Gerald Davis regarding Management employees.

Council Members present at the special meeting were: Losoya, Borchard, Flory, Peart and Ryhal. Council Members absent: None. Interim City Manager Gerald Davis and Assistant City Manager Phillip Marler.

The special session and closed session were adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

The Woodland City Council met in adjourned session at 7:12 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Losoya, Borchard, Peart, Ryhal

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Flory

STAFF PRESENT: Davis, Marler, Siprelle, Winnop, Wegener, Pollard, Vicars, Fleming, Hanson, T. Brown, Stanbrough, Phillips, Ahlgren, Horgan, Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice Mayor Steve Borchard opened the meeting and invited everyone present to join him in the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:

Vice Mayor Steve Borchard announced that Council held a closed session at 6:00 p.m. for a conference with the City's Labor Negotiator regarding Management Employees. He said no decisions were made, and the closed session was continued to March 30, 1999, at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Member Peart reported on his meeting with representatives of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District.

SECOND STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

Interim City Manager Gerald Davis gave Council background on the preliminary streetscape plan, which Council/Redevelopment Agency Board reviewed on January 5, 1999 for Second Street between Court Street and the Main Street/Opera House Plaza. He said the goal was to prepare a plan creating a pedestrian corridor linking the historic commercial core with the Yolo County government buildings on Court Street. He said a technical committee made up of City and County representatives together with private owners/developers in the Second Street area have been working with the Landscape Architect Kerry Daane Loux to develop a plan and cost estimates to present to the Council for their consideration. The proposed funding for the City/Redevelopment Agency share of \$56,003 is to be allocated as follows: (1) \$25,000 be paid for from Redevelopment special project funds and (2) the balance of \$31,003 be placed in the 1999-2000 capital budget. The project he said is anticipated to be completed in late summer of 1999. He said a cost analysis has been prepared by Ms. Loux in consultation with Cunningham Engineers. The estimate has been reviewed by City engineering staff and found to be realistic, providing the project is done in total and not split up into two or more separate projects. The cost has been allocated among four participants in the project (1) District Attorney office developer, (2) Yolo County, (3) Yolo Community Bank and (4) City of Woodland and Woodland Redevelopment Agency.

Kerry Loux, Landscape Architect, reviewed the plan, which proposed changing Second Street to a southbound ONE-WAY street with diagonal parking on the east side of the street. The street would be enhanced with the addition of landscape trees and planting areas and the addition of three historic streetlights to match the lights on Main Street. Pedestrian safety would be enhanced on both Second and Court Streets with the addition of bulge outs. She said the plan includes eliminating parking lot access to Second Street with a turn around within the parking lot.

Dudley Holman inquired about review of the plan by the Traffic Safety Commission. He said he would be interested in a review of Redevelopment funding which is to be spread over a broad area within the Redevelopment Project Area. He said a bar chart indicating where areas are contributing and the areas on which the Agency has actually spent dollars. With respect to the

plan he said he was concerned about traffic patterns and felt the Traffic Safety Commission should review the issues.

Associate Civil Engineer Bruce Pollard discussed traffic circulation issues and traffic counts performed with respect to the project area. He also discussed the review of the project. He said an EIR and a traffic study were not necessary.

Lee Bartholomew, member of the Redevelopment Citizens' Advisory Committee, voiced his concerns about the demands for Redevelopment funds. He said the City needs to have a broader perspective when considering the request for \$25,000 in Redevelopment funds for this project.

Jim Grey (developer) of Partners of Court Street said he is proud of the 21,000 square foot District Attorney Office project which represents a joint cooperative venture between the County, City and Redevelopment Agency.

Council discussed the project. Council Member Peart said he liked the concept but had a problem with the parking issues. He said he would not want to alter the parking arrangements. Council Member Borchard said he wanted input from the Traffic Safety Commission. He also expressed a need for charting where the Redevelopment dollars are going and who is contributing.

Interim City Manager Gerald Davis said the Redevelopment Citizens' Advisory Committee is scheduled to review the matter on March 24 and the Traffic Safety Commission do its review on April 5. He said after that the Council and Redevelopment Agency Board could consider the project.

On motion of Vice Mayor Borchard, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the Council agreed to reconsider the Second Street Streetscape design plan on April 6, 1999, with input from the Traffic Safety Commission and Redevelopment Citizens' Advisory Committee as well as budget information.

The Council took a recess from 8:35 p.m. until 8:40 p.m.

VEHICLE PURCHASE PLAN:

Public Works Director Gary Wegener and Equipment Services Manager Sean Stanbrough reviewed the 1999-2000 fiscal year budget with respect to the vehicles recommended for purchase by the Vehicle Utilization Committee.

Staff responded to Council questions regarding specific vehicles and their usage. Council Member Peart said he wanted more information about the

proposed upgrade to a 10-12 yard dump truck (Vehicle No. 202). He also questioned the need to upgrade Vehicle No. 102 to a three-quarter ton pickup instead of a half-ton pickup.

On motion of Council Member Peart, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved for inclusion in the 1999/2000 fiscal year budget the vehicles recommended for purchase by the vehicle Utilization Committee (see attached Council Communication) except the 12 yard dump truck (Vehicle No. 202).

FORMATION OF A FLOOD PLAIN TASK FORCE:

Interim City Manager Gerald Davis said Council Members Flory and Ryhal met with County Board of Supervisors Tom Stallard and Lynnell Pollock at a County-City 2x2 meeting on March 18, 1999, and discussed the formation of a Flood Plain Task Force. He said it was decided that the City Council should determine if a task force would be useful.

Vice Mayor Borchard suggested that the task force include representation from the development community, the Mayor, representatives from the Board of Supervisors, the Farm Bureau, the industrial community, Woodland Economic Renaissance Corporation, and Woodland Community College.

Council discussion followed.

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council requested that staff report back to Council at the April 6, 1999 Council meeting regarding a mission and goals statement of the flood plain task force, and then Council will discuss the stakeholders on the task force.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:35 p.m. the Council adjourned the adjourned regular meeting.

Jean Winnop, City Clerk of the City of Woodland