

Council Chambers
300 First Street
Woodland, California

October 18, 1994

The Woodland City Council convened a special session at 6:30 p.m. and immediately adjourned to closed session in the Second Floor Conference Room of City Hall for a conference with Legal Counsel regarding anticipated litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9. Council Members present at the meeting were: Sandy, Borchard, Flory, Rominger, Slaven; Council Members absent: none. Staff members present at the meeting were City Manager Kris Kristensen and City Attorney Bob Murphy.

Council adjourned the closed session and the special session at 7:11 p.m.

The Woodland City Council met in regular session at 7:20 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandy, Borchard, Flory, Rominger, Slaven

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Kristensen, Ruggiero, Murphy, Wegener, DeWeerd, Buchanan, Martin, Barry, Ponticello, O'Toole

CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENT:

City Manager Kris Kristensen announced that the Council met in closed session from 6:30 p.m. until 7:11 p.m. for a conference with Legal Counsel regarding anticipated litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9. He said no Council action was taken at the meeting.

MINUTES:

There were no minutes submitted for Council action.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. From Daniel Friedlander a letter was received regarding his reappointment to the Planning Commission. He stated that he was willing to continue serving as a

Planning Commissioner in order to facilitate the completion of the General Plan update.

2. From Finance Director Margaret Vicars a memo was received advising of claims paid for accounts payable and payroll for September 1994, totalling \$2,082,536.35. No Council action was necessary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. From City Manager Kris Kristensen a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Water Resources Association of Yolo County meeting of September 8, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

2. From Assistant City Manager Kristine O'Toole a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Public Access Board meetings of September 14 and September 28, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

3. From Director of Public Works Gary Wegener a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission meeting of October 3, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

4. From Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero a report was received summarizing action taken at the Planning Commission meeting of October 6, 1994, as follows:

a. Commission denied the request by Panattoni Development to amend Tentative Map No. 3824 to eliminate the east-west street between lots 4 and 5. The project is located at East Main Street and Hanson Way.

b. Commission continued to October 20, 1994, the request by R. C. Collet to divide two parcels into four parcels. The project is Tentative Map No. 4223 and is located at the southeast corner of County Road 102 and East Main Street.

c. Commission found that the following proposed easement and right-of-way abandonments were in conformity with the City General Plan:

(1) College Park - between 267 and 261 Cole Court

(2) Woodland West - northwest of Kentucky Avenue and North Ashley Avenue

(3) Southeast Area - northwest corner of County Road 101 and Gibson Road

5. From the City Manager a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo/Solano Air Quality Management District Board meeting of September 14, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

6. From the Assistant City Manager a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting of October 6, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

7. From the Community Development Director a report was received summarizing action taken at the Historical Preservation Commission meeting of October 11, 1994.

On motion of Council Member Rominger, seconded by Council Member Slaven and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council set a November 1, 1994 hearing for considering adoption of an ordinance regarding historic sidewalks.

8. From the City Manager a report was received summarizing topics discussed at the County/City 2 x 2 meeting of October 12, 1994. No Council action was necessary.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mel Dahl, resident of Leisureville Mobile Home Park, thanked the City Council, Mayor Gary Sandy, City Manager Kris Kristensen, Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero, and Senior Planner Howard Nies for their assistance to the residents of Leisureville in securing the two grants which will make it possible for the residents to convert Leisureville to a resident-ownership park.

Mayor Sandy thanked Al Beaird and Dudley Holman for serving as camera operators for the meeting.

PRESENTATION - PROCLAMATION FOR WHITE CANE SAFETY DAY:

On motion of Council Member Slaven, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council proclaimed October 15, 1994 as "White Cane Safety Day" in the City of Woodland.

Mayor Sandy presented the proclamation to Paul Carver, representative of the National Federation of the Blind of California. Mr. Carver thanked the Council for issuing the proclamation.

HEARING - VACATION OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY:

Mayor Sandy said this time was set for a hearing to consider the proposed vacation of certain public rights-of-way along portions of County Road 101 and in Woodland West and College Park subdivisions.

Associate Civil Engineer Greg Moutinho described the three rights-of-way proposed for abandonment. With regard to two of the rights-of-way, he said the County years ago acquired them based on the standards and their construction forecasts at the time. Since that time the property has been annexed to the City, and the City's standards are different. The City does not need the road width the County needed. He proposed abandoning that portion which is in excess of City standards and allow it to be

incorporated in the adjacent subdivisions. One right-of-way is located on North Ashley Avenue, and the property would revert back to the Woodland West Subdivision. The second is in the Southeast Area as part of the Morrison Homes project on existing County Road 101 just north of East Gibson Road. The third right-of-way abandonment proposed is in the College Park Subdivision completed a few years ago. At the time there was an adjacent project to the west which was going to be 121 apartment units with only one access off College Street. The Fire Department was looking for an alternate access for emergency purposes. He said the apartment project has since been changed to a single family subdivision with adequate access, so the emergency access is no longer needed.

Mayor Sandy opened the public hearing, and there being no comments he closed the hearing.

Resolution Nos. 3846, 3847 and 3848:

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Rominger and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council adopted (1) Resolution No. 3846 vacating a portion of street right-of-way on County Road 101, (2) Resolution No. 3847 vacating a portion of public street right-of-way at North Ashley Avenue and West Kentucky Avenue, and (3) Resolution No. 3848 vacating an emergency vehicle access and a portion of a public utilities easement on Cole Court, a portion of Parcel "B" of College Park Subdivision.

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING:

Mayor Sandy temporarily adjourned the meeting of the Council at 7:30 p.m. in order to convene the meeting of the City of Woodland Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors. See Agency minutes attached to these Council minutes as Exhibit A. At 7:50 p.m. the Redevelopment Agency Board meeting was adjourned, and the Council meeting was reconvened.

REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

On motion of Council Member Rominger, seconded by Council Member Slaven and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the following Consent Calendar items:

REJECTION OF BIDS FOR HISTORIC RAILROAD DEPOT REROOF REPAIR:

The City Council rejected all bids that were tendered for the Woodland Railroad Depot Reroof, City Project No. 94-10, and authorized advertisement of a reduced version of the project.

ACCEPTANCE OF 1993 STREET PROJECT/RESOLUTION NO. 3849 FOR PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT TO LOCAL AGENCY-STATE AGREEMENT:

The City Council (1) accepted the 1993 Street Project as complete; directed the City Clerk to file a notice of completion; and (2) adopted Resolution No. 3849, entitled "Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Program Supplement No. 0-04 to Local Agency-State Agreement for Federal Aid Projects No. 03-5046."

REGULAR CALENDAR:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT INTERIM STAFFING CHANGES:

Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero said the Community Development Department is currently one position short due to the death of Senior Planner, Tim Bach. In an effort to give time to address the permanent staffing for the Department she said she proceeded with the hiring of a contract planner through a consulting group to provide the Community Development Department with planning services on a short term basis. She said they contracted with the firm of Tschudin Consulting Group on a month to month basis using the salary savings as the cap so that they will not go over budget. That firm has specifically assigned tasks to do, and her Department is working with one individual from the firm. She said the types of projects they are doing are the Yolo polo project, The Plaza EIR (formerly known as the Walmart EIR), and other short term projects. She reassigned other long term projects Mr. Bach was doing to her staff. She said she will report later to Council on how to proceed with permanent staffing. She pointed out that Mr. Bach had been assigned specific projects with the General Plan update, and she has tried to reassign those projects without overburdening her staff. Some of those will be done by the General Plan consultant.

CHANGE TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROCESS:

Senior Planner Howard Nies said that the U. S. Department of Housing and Development (HUD) has changed the process for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. HUD is requiring one document (the Consolidated Plan) which must be submitted to them by May 15, 1995. This plan will replace the CHAS, Final Statement and Performance Report which were required at different times of the year. The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to reduce paper work submitted to HUD. He said the new process also requires public hearings and necessitates contacting various agencies. He suggested that the Community Based Organization (CBO) Committee be expanded and renamed the Committee the CDBG Committee so that they can take some of the public hearings on the Consolidated Plan, and then the Council would only have to hold one public hearing at the end of the process. He gave the Council a flow chart of the process.

On motion of Council Member Slaven, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council amended the Community Development Block Grant Citizen Participation Plan by (1) renaming the CBO Committee the CDBG Committee and expanding their duties to include recommending a Consolidated Plan for the CDBG Program; and (2) holding one public hearing before the City Council before adopting the Consolidated Plan.

FEDERAL POLICE HIRING SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM:

Police Chief Russ Smith said the Woodland Police Department in 1993 applied for a grant for a Community Oriented Policing Officer to assist in the planning, training and implementation of the Community oriented Policing Program in the City. There were over 2,700 grant applications submitted for the \$150 million dollars, and the City of Woodland was not successful. In the Federal Fiscal Year 1995, Congress will appropriate an additional \$1.3 billion to fund additional Community Policing Grants. Of the \$1.3 billion \$200 million has been allocated for immediate funding of applications submitted to, but not funded by, last year's Police Hiring Supplement Program. It is anticipated that only a small percentage of the 2,505 remaining applicants will receive funding. He said most of the funding went to high crime areas, and the City was not funded. Congress passed in 1994 and the President signed the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 which will fund criminal provisions regarding the death penalty, assault weapons, immigration enforcement, Department of Justice grants, and long term programs from 1996 to the year 2000. He pointed out that Congress did not appropriate any funding for the years 1996 to 2000. He said that the Federal government will pay the City up to \$75,000 for every grant the City receives. In the case of the Oriented Policing Program application submitted, the City would have paid \$60,062 over the course of three years and then 100 percent of each officers salary thereafter. The cost of a Police Officer position for three years is \$135,000, and the Federal government would fund \$75,000 leaving the City with \$60,062 and then full salary thereafter. He said it would be difficult to commit to that funding with the state of the economy.

AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES:

On motion of Council Member Rominger, seconded by Council Member Slaven and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council authorized the Mayor to sign an Automatic Aid Agreement with the Cities of Davis, Dixon, West Sacramento and the University of California, Davis Fire Department.

SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT REPORT:

On motion of Council Member Rominger, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council accepted the Solid Waste Assessment Report prepared by EMCON Associates for the old City landfill site

located at southeast of the intersection of County Road 102 and 25A, approved the EMCON recommendations regarding additional testing and directed staff to submit the Report to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

CACHE CREEK PUBLIC MEETING:

The City Manager said the Council is abundantly aware of the details involved in the Army Corps of Engineers reconnaissance report indicating there is a significance flood threat from Cache Creek to Woodland and surrounding environs. The City has been told that if there is interest at the local level, City and County, the Federal government will participate in a feasibility study that would try to select an appropriate solution for that. He said staff has been talking with Corps staff for the past several months trying to iron out what a feasibility study would consist of and the cost, but the issue is predicated on whether the local agencies will come up with the necessary dollars to start the study process. At this point a rough estimate of the feasibility is \$2.5 million, and the Federal government will pay 50 percent of that. The State has indicated initially they will not participate financially, although that could change. That means local entities, the City and the County, could essentially be required to pay for the feasibility study up to \$1.25 if that is how we proceed. He said there is considerable skepticism from what we have seen about the issue with respect to the flood threat and the potential solutions. In an effort to try to get a clear sense of what local opinion is, particularly the opinions of the property owners affected, the Corps has suggested, and the City concurs, that we need to hold a comprehensive public meeting that outlines the issues and the data and invite all of the property owners that are affected by this to come. Subsequently, the Council and the Board of Supervisors will be provided with some feed back on whether we want to proceed or not. He said this issue has been discussed at the County/City 2 x 2 meetings and the consensus was that this made sense. This meeting would be held on a Saturday in January, 1995.

The City Council after some discussion directed staff to work with the Army Corps of Engineers and the County of Yolo to conduct a public meeting on the Cache Creek flood protection issue for affected property owners.

LEAGUE POLICY RESOLUTIONS:

The City Council continued its discussion on proposed League of California Cities Annual Conference Resolutions.

With regard to Resolution No. 11 relating to violence on television Vice Mayor Rominger said at the last Council meeting on an informal Council poll of 3 to 1 she was the one not in support of the resolution which would support legislation to curtail violence on television. She said she agreed this is a problem but she could not support such legislation because it is a violation of free speech.

Council Members Borchard, Flory and Slaven indicated they would support

the resolution as currently written. Mayor Sandy, however, said he would support "efforts" to curtail violence on television rather than support "legislation" to curtail violence on television.

Vice Mayor Rominger said Resolution No. 18 deals with the Safe Drinking Water Act. She said she would like to add a provision that an economic analysis should be made. Other Council Members agreed.

Resolution No. 21 dealt with "environmental subdivisions", and Vice Mayor Rominger said she was not familiar with that term. She said the problem with the Resolution is that it is unclear, needs to be defined and requires more task force study prior to passage of a resolution.

FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

The City Manager announced that the fourth Tuesday study session scheduled for October 25, 1994, will be cancelled since only three Council Members will be available to attend.

Vice Mayor Rominger asked for a report on the signs along Interstate 5 and State Route 113 identifying restaurants and hotels in Woodland. The City Manager said staff has had some contact with Caltrans about that.

Council Member Flory asked for a report on the emergency telephones on freeways. He said many times he has heard people are on the phones for two or three hours and receive no response.

The City Manager said he has been in recent meetings with the representatives of the California Highway Patrol which is responsible for dispatching the calls. The calls go to a regional dispatch center, and the center is overwhelmed with calls. He said he was not aware of plans to adjust that.

Council Member Flory asked for a report on that.

ORDINANCE NO. 1254 - CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REZONING:

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Rominger and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council adopted by unanimous roll call vote and read by title only Ordinance No. 1254, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25 of the Code of the City of Woodland Related to the Downtown Specific Plan."

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9:25 p.m. the Council meeting was adjourned.

City Clerk of the City of Woodland