



# City of Woodland

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

## AGENDA ITEM

**TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL**

**DATE:** May 20, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Public Works Week May 18 through 24, 2008

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### **Report in Brief**

Staff recommends that the City Council proclaim May 18-24, 2008, as “Public Works Week”, and present the proclamation to Public Works representatives.

### **Background**

National Public Works Week is sponsored by the American Public Works Association (APWA) with the support of many co-sponsoring agencies. This year’s theme is “Public Works: The Future is Now.”

Celebrating Public Works Week will include a display in City Hall. Public Works Week buttons will be distributed to all Public Works staff. The button design is chosen each year by the Sacramento Chapter of APWA after holding a design contest.

### **Discussion**

The mission of the Department is “*To provide public works infrastructure (transportation system and utilities) and related facilities and services in a cost effective manner, to meet the current and future needs of the City*”.

This is no easy challenge, given the growth of the City and the increasingly restrictive regulatory environment in which we operate. Our employees provide a wide variety of services to the community including:

- public health and safety through the water, sewer, and storm drain systems operations and maintenance;
- a full service, tertiary, sewage treatment plant and laboratory;
- road system operations and maintenance;
- street lighting, traffic signals;

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- street signs and road markings;
- urban forestry and tree maintenance;
- environmental resource management;
- waste reduction/recycling coordination;
- traffic, utility, and capital public facility engineering and construction; and
- fleet and facilities management, operation and maintenance.

It is our commitment to provide these services in an efficient and cost-effective manner. This is a particularly difficult challenge in times of constrained budgets, accelerated regulatory requirements, and increasing growth and demand for services.

Our department will be working during Public Works Week to convey to both the community and to our own staff a greater understanding of Public Works and how our services affect the City of Woodland.

**Fiscal Impact**

None

**Public Contact**

Posting of the City Council agenda.

**Recommendation for Action**

Staff recommends that the City Council proclaim May 18-24, 2008, as “Public Works Week”, and present the proclamation to Public Works representatives.

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Encl. Proclamation

# PROCLAMATION PUBLIC WORKS WEEK 2008

**WHEREAS**, Public Works' services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday life; and

**WHEREAS**, public infrastructure such as water systems, sewers, streets, traffic signals, street lights, and a wastewater treatment facility are designed, operated, and maintained by the Public Works Department, providing services enjoyed and demanded by our community on a 24/7 basis; and

**WHEREAS**, programs such as facilities maintenance, water conservation, waste reduction/recycling, and engineering services are administered by Public Works' professionals; and

**WHEREAS**, the services and facilities provided by our Public Works Department contribute to the health, safety, and comfort of our community members, and to the beauty and cleanliness of our City; and

**WHEREAS**, the quality, effectiveness, and maintenance of our infrastructure and programs are vitally dependent upon the expertise and dedicated efforts of Public Works' employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the efficiency of these Public Works' employees is influenced by the communities attitude, support, and understanding of the work they perform.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Woodland, does hereby proclaim the week of May 18-24, 2008, as **PUBLIC WORKS WEEK** in Woodland, and calls upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing public works services and to recognize the contributions that the Public Works employees make everyday to our health, safety, and comfort.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Woodland to be affixed.

**DATED:** May 20, 2008

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**DAVID M. FLORY, Mayor**

MARLIN H. "SKIP" DAVIES, Vice-Mayor  
WILLIAM L. MARBLE, Council Member  
JEFF W. MONROE, Council Member  
ARTEMIO PIMENTEL, Council Member

