



City of Woodland

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Oct. 7, 2008

SUBJECT: Summary of Cost for 2008 Council
Member Election

Report in Brief

The election costs for City Council and ballot measures requested by individual entities are borne initially by the County of Yolo Elections Division. Those costs are then prorated back to the participating entities. This year, the City of Woodland's share of that cost is \$33,775.03.

Staff recommends that the City Council receive the costs for the June 3, 2008 Statewide Direct Primary Election which included the election for three Council positions.

Background

In each even-numbered year, the Woodland City Council Members who have expiring terms must either determine whether they will seek an additional term of office or choose to not seek re-election. As well, interested citizens may also choose to run for office as a member of the Woodland City Council.

The City elected several years ago to request the County Clerk/Elections Office conduct these elections as a means of consolidating the election process among all entities who were also conducting elections. This consolidation brought the cost and the workload down substantially to the Woodland City Clerk's Office.

Discussion

Election law dictates the process for conduct of an election and is considerably complex. Deviations from the law can be devastating to the candidates and an error can cost the candidate the election outcome. It is paramount that experts in the Election Code be utilized for the process. For that and other reasons, the utilization of the Yolo County Clerk Elections Office is vital to proper election conduct. The sheer magnitude of the details indicates it is more prudent to utilize the services of

these officials. While the cost for the election seems to be significant, the fact that it is shared between twelve other entities provides the most efficient means for conducting this process.

Fiscal Impact

The City budget includes an estimated amount to cover our portion of the cost to conduct the Council elections. As stated previously, Woodland's share is \$33,775.03. It should be noted that the candidates themselves also share in the cost. Should the candidate wish to have a Candidate Statement published, the cost is determined and a check is made payable to the County for that printing cost. The cost per candidate for printing the Candidate's Statement was \$743.42 for English only and an optional Spanish translation for an additional \$837.42, totaling \$1,580.84. The law provides that in hardship cases, the candidate may defer the payment of the fee at the time of filing, but must pay those fees upon receipt of income during the election. This year there was had one candidate who completed a deferral and was approved by the County to pay at a later time. That candidate, while unsuccessful in the campaign, has now refused to pay the fee and the City either must take the former candidate to court to attempt to collect, or absorb the cost. It is likely the City would receive no remuneration from this former candidate should we go to court and would also have to absorb the cost of the court proceedings.

Public Contact

Posting of the City Council agenda.

Recommendation for Action

Staff recommends that the City Council receive the costs for the June 3, 2008 Statewide Direct Primary Election which included the election for three Council positions.

Prepared by: Sue Vannucci, Director of
Administrative Services

Mark G. Deven
City Manager

Attachment

**Yolo County
District Billing Summary
Election Date: 6/3/2008**

District	AV's Issued	Reg. Voters	Number of Measures	Measure Contest Factor	Number of Candidate Contests	Candidate Contest Factor	Candidate & Measures (T or F)	Total Contest Factor	Weighted Reg. Factor	Percentage Cost Factor	Allocation of Election Costs	Setup Fee	Candidate Statement Pre-Payment	Total District Cost	AV SB 90 Cost		
Yolo County						Enter Total Election Costs From Page 1											
1st Congressional	30,695	82,356		0.00	5	1.60	FALSE	1.60	131,818	0.16551	\$ 685,315.76	\$250.00	AV Factor	\$ 0.8631			
2nd Congressional	4,985	11,508		0.00	4	1.45	FALSE	1.45	16,687	0.02095	\$113,427.47	\$250.00		\$113,677.47			
State Contests	35,680	93,894	2	1.25	0	0.00	FALSE	1.25	117,368	0.14737	\$14,358.62	\$250.00		\$14,608.62			
5th State Senate	35,680	93,894	3	0.00	3	1.30	FALSE	1.30	122,062	0.15326	\$100,983.33	\$250.00		\$101,243.33			
2nd State Assembly	2,834	6,466		0.00	5	1.60	FALSE	1.60	10,346	0.01299	\$105,033.07	\$250.00		\$105,283.07			
8th State Assembly	32,846	87,428		0.00	3	1.30	FALSE	1.30	113,656	0.14271	\$8,902.27	\$250.00		\$9,152.27			
Yolo County (Judges)	35,680	93,894		0.00	2	1.15	FALSE	1.15	107,978	0.13558	\$97,799.98	\$250.00		\$98,049.98			
Supervisor Dist. No. 1	8,113	21,521		0.00	1	1.00	FALSE	1.00	21,521	0.02702	\$92,913.87	\$250.00		\$93,163.87			
Supervisor Dist. No. 4	8,323	20,758		0.00	3	1.30	FALSE	1.30	26,985	0.03388	\$18,518.56	\$250.00		\$18,768.56			
Supervisor Dist. No. 5	7,264	17,516		0.00	2	1.15	FALSE	1.15	20,143	0.02529	\$23,220.61	\$250.00		\$23,470.61			
City of Davis	12,900	34,816		0.00	6	1.75	FALSE	1.75	60,928	0.07650	\$17,333.16	\$250.00		\$17,583.16			
City of Winters	1,087	3,145	1	0.25	2	0.30	TRUE	1.40	4,403	0.00553	\$62,427.82	\$250.00	\$ (8,379.12)	\$44,298.70			
City of Woodland	9,156	24,304		0.00	6	1.75	FALSE	1.75	42,532	0.05340	\$3,788.73	\$250.00		\$4,038.73			
											\$36,588.28	\$250.00	\$ (3,073.25)	\$33,775.03			
Totals -----		591,530							796,427	1.00000	\$ 685,315.76	\$ 3,250.00	\$(11,452.37)	\$ 677,113.39	\$0.00		

**County of Yolo
Election Billing Costs**

Election: 6/3/2008

Registration		93,894
Votes Cast		53,969
% Turnout		57.48%
Voting Pcts.		115
Provisionals Rec'd		474
Provisionals Counted		414
Provisionals Rejected		60
Total AVs Mailed		35,707

Account Code	Expense	Cost
	Staff Salaries & Wages	\$ 128,139.24
	Staff Overtime	\$ 16,757.91
	Staff Benefits	\$ 65,155.31
	Extra Help Salaries, Wages, & Overtime	\$ 11,945.99
	Election Day/Night Staff:	
	Poll Worker Pay	\$ 64,482.89
	Roving Inspector Pay	\$ 7,284.98
	Election Day Tech Workers	\$ -
	Election Night Workers	\$ 1,317.72
	Security	\$ 2,456.19
	Early Voting	\$ 6,741.86
	Manual Tally Workers	\$ 631.64
	Kelly Temp Workers	\$ 29,147.60
	Training-Election Day/Night Staff	\$ 10,310.00
	Consumable Election Supplies:	
	Inspector Supplies	\$ 6,267.72
	Training Supplies	\$ -
	Recruiting/Other Supplies	\$ 173.50
	Communications:	
	County Telephones	\$ 436.42
	Election Day Cell Phones	\$ 414.17
	Postage:	
	Fed Ex - Printer & Avs	\$ 17.96
	Fed Ex - SOS & Statewide Database	\$ 7.73
	Special Mailings	\$ 218.12
	PW/PP Mailings	\$ 2,859.46
	Sample Ballots - by printer	\$ 17,124.53
	Sample Ballots - by office	\$ 25.30
	Sample Ballots - supplemental	\$ 517.59
	Transportation, Election Related	
	Inspector Supplies Pick Up	\$ 1,150.00
	Training Classes & Early Voting (RT)	\$ 327.76
	Election Day (ballot drop-off)	\$ 673.22
	Publications	\$ 1,869.86
	Printing:	
	Sample Ballots	\$ 97,279.62
	Official Ballots/AV's	\$ 76,460.47
	Boards & Polls	\$ 124.57
	Repairs & Maint. - Voting Equip. & Software	\$ 6,053.66
	Polling Place/Training Class Rental Costs	\$ 4,600.00
	Data Processing/Computer Support	\$ -
	Contract Services	\$ -
	Drayage Services	\$ 32,020.00
	Storage/Destruction	\$ 2,933.75
	Election Costs Subtotal	\$ 595,926.75
	Allowable Indirect Election Costs	\$ 89,389.01
	Election Costs - Total	\$ 685,315.76



Yolo County Elections

P.O. Box 1820 • Woodland, CA 95776-1820
625 Court Street, Room B-05 • Woodland, CA 95695

Freddie Oakley, County Clerk
Barbara Patenaude, Chief Deputy
530/666-8133

August 27, 2008

**Ms. Sue Vannucci, City Clerk
City of Woodland
300 First St.
Woodland, CA 95695**

Dear Ms. Vannucci: *Sue*

Enclosed please find your billing statement in the amount of \$ 33,775.03 for goods and services provided to you by Yolo County for the Statewide Direct Primary Election held on June 3, 2008.

Please remit to County of Yolo, P. O. Box 1820, Woodland, CA 95776.

Please feel free to contact Barbara Patenaude or me if you have any questions.

**FREDDIE OAKLEY
County Clerk-Recorder**

Enclosures
FO:lm

*101-14-7104-5261
P.O. has been ordered
Sue Vannucci*

Reg. # 03005133