



City of Woodland

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 13, 2010

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolutions Approving the Submittal
of Urban Greening Project and Planning
Grant Applications (Proposition 84)

Report in Brief

There is an opportunity to apply for funding under the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84). The application is due April 30 and it is required that the governing board pass resolutions authorizing submittal of the applications.

Under this program, the City would submit a grant application for an Urban Greening project to fund streetscape improvements on Main Street and a second application for an Urban Greening planning grant to fund a planning/design document for a future landscaped bikeway on East Main Street.

Staff recommends that the City adopt Resolution _____ approving the submittal of an Urban Greening Project Grant Application under Proposition 84 to the California Natural Resources Agency and authorizing the City Manager and/or his designee to execute all necessary forms on behalf of the City of Woodland; and

Adopt Resolution _____ approving the submittal of an Urban Greening Planning Grant Application under Proposition 84 to the California Natural Resources Agency and authorizing the City Manager and/or his designee to execute all necessary forms on behalf of the City of Woodland.

Background

California voters passed the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84) on November 7, 2006. Proposition 84 authorized the State Legislature to appropriate \$70 million for urban greening projects that reduce energy consumption, conserve water, improve air and water quality, and provide other community benefits and \$17.5 million for the purpose of creating urban greening plans that will serve as the master document guiding and coordinating greening projects in an applicant's jurisdiction.

Staff reviewed the program guidelines and saw an opportunity to enhance our Main Street improvement project that was recently funded by the SACOG Community Design program to make it more environmentally friendly. SACOG awarded the City \$915,000 in grant funds for streetscape improvements on Main Street between Third and East streets. This Downtown Streetscape project includes the planting of shade trees, installation of bulbouts, and replacement of existing sidewalk sections. There is also an opportunity to design plans for another section of the Main Street corridor beyond the section between Third and East streets.

Discussion

After internal review, staff proposes to submit two applications described below;

Urban Greening Project – The Urban Greening Project Grant provides an opportunity to enhance these elements by adding features to filter and reduce storm water flows through bioretention systems installed with the shade trees and bulbouts and the inclusion of a two- to four-foot wide permeable paving band between the concrete curb and sidewalk of the replaced sidewalk areas. The bioretention systems are used to filter out pollutants, phosphorous, nitrogen, heavy metals, hydrocarbons, etc. from storm water. The permeable paving will capture storm water and reduce storm water runoff. Other components of the proposed Urban Greening Project may include the integration of bioretention systems for a number of the existing trees on the Main Street streetscape between Third and Elm streets. Ultimately, a draft of the design for the Urban Greening Project can be reviewed by the Planning Commission and/or other community groups and will be submitted to the City Council for final review and approval. The ultimate features of the project may be modified during this process.

Urban Greening Planning – The Urban Greening Planning Grant provides the City with an opportunity to fund planning/design efforts for a future landscaped bikeway on the north side of East Main Street between Pioneer Avenue and East Street. While there appears to be sufficient right-of-way to accommodate a landscaped bikeway between Pioneer Avenue and Matmor Road, the section of East Main Street between Matmor Road and East Street lacks sufficient right-of-way. However, the ability to prepare a plan/design is a necessary step for obtaining funding particularly grant resources for constructing this future bikeway facility.

Fiscal Impact

Urban Greening Project Grant – The City would not incur a fiscal impact. Because up to 25 percent of the grant funds can be spent on project management costs/non-construction costs including but not limited to CEQA compliance, planning and design, engineering, construction plans, permitting project administration and management, staff intends to use grant funds to cover the costs of implementing the grant project. Staff will identify the SACOG Community Design grant awarded the City earlier this year and the Community Design grant match from the Redevelopment Agency as additional funding sources for the Urban Greening Project Grant.

Urban Greening Planning Grant – The Redevelopment Agency and City would not incur a fiscal impact. Eligible grant expenses include staff time incurred during the grant performance period.

Public Contact

This item was posted on the City Council agenda.

Alternative Courses of Action

1. Adopt Resolution _____ approving the submittal of an Urban Greening Project Grant Applications under Proposition 84 to the California Natural Resources Agency and authorizing the City Manager and/or his designee to execute all necessary forms on behalf of the City; and

Adopt Resolution _____ approving the submittal of an Urban Greening Planning Grant Application under Proposition 84 to the California Natural Resources Agency and authorizing the City Manager and/or his designee to execute all necessary forms on behalf of the City.

2. Approve the submittal of the Urban Greening Project Grant Application or the Urban Greening Planning Grant Application.
3. Do not approve the submittal of a grant application.

Recommendation for Action

Staff recommends that the City approve Alternative No. 1.

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Carey Sullivan
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Attachments:

Resolution No. 2010-_____
Resolution No. 2010-_____

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION _-_____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND
APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN
GREENING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER
QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION
BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)**

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Woodland takes the following actions:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the Main Street Streetscape Improvements;
2. Certifies that applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application, and
3. Certifies that applicant or title holder will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that it will comply with the provisions of Section 1771.8 of the State Labor Code regarding payment of prevailing wages on Projects awarded Proposition 84 Funds, and
5. If applicable, certifies that the project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, environmental laws and, that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained, and
6. Certifies that applicant will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and

promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1, and

7. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

PASSED AND ADOPTED the 13th day of April 2010. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing City Council Resolution _____ was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Woodland.

Following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Marlin H. Davies, Mayor

Attest:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sue Vannucci, CMC, City Clerk

Andrew J. Morris, City Attorney

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND
APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN
GREENING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING
WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND
COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84)**

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out development of the Urban Greening Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Woodland takes the following actions:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the East Main Street Bikeway Plan, and
2. Certifies that applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application, and
3. Certifies that applicant will have sufficient funds to develop the plan; or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that applicant will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1, and
5. Appoints the City Manager, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for development of the aforementioned plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED the 13th day of April 2010. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing City Council Resolution _____ was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Woodland by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Marlin H. Davies, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sue Vannucci, CMC, City Clerk

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