

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

June 23, 1998

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 the Mayor announced the closed session topics. The Council then convened the closed session to discuss the (1) public employee appointment (Sec. 54957) of the City Attorney; (2) a conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation (Sec. 54956.9(a) with respect to the case of A. Teichert & Son, Inc. v. City of Woodland (Case No. V-97-CCC461); and (3) public employment (Sec. 54957) of the position of System Support Technician.

Council Members present at the special meeting were: Losoya, Borchard, Flory, Peart and Ryhal. Council Members absent: None. Staff present for the entire closed session: City Manager Kris Kristensen, Assistant City Manager Phillip Marler, and City Attorney Ann Siprelle. Public Works Director Gary Wegener arrived at the closed session at 6:15 p.m., and Finance Director Margaret Vicars arrived at 6:45 p.m.

The special session and closed session were adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Council agreed to reconvene the special session at the conclusion of the regular meeting in order to discuss a labor negotiations matter.

The Woodland City Council met in regular session at 7:10 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Melton Losoya 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: Losoya, Borchard, Flory, Peart,
Ryhal

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Kristensen, Siprelle, Ruggiero, Wegener,
Winnop, Horgan, Barry, Gunter, Marler,
Vicars, Martin, De Weerd

MINUTES:

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote (Mayor Losoya and Council Member Peart abstained), the City Council approved the minutes for the regular Council meeting of May 5, 1998, as prepared.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. From Finance Director Margaret Vicars a memo was received advising of accounts payable, wire transfers and payroll for May 1998.

2. From Susan D. Borowitz of Davis a letter was received expressing disappointment that the City Council did not proclaim Gay Pride Day in Woodland.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. From City Manager Kris Kristensen a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Economic Development Council meeting of March 31, 1998.

2. From Police Chief Russ Smith a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Communications Emergency Services Agency Board meeting of May 6, 1998.

3. From Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry a report was received summarizing action taken at the special meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission on May 7, 1998.

4. From the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director a report was received summarizing action taken at the regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission on May 27, 1998.

5. From City Manager Kris Kristensen a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Transportation District Board meeting of May 12, 1998.

6. From Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Turn of the Century Specific Plan Technical Advisory Committee meetings of May 13 and 27, 1998.

7. From the City Manager a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District Board meeting of May 13, 1998.

8. From the City Manager a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Woodland Economic Renaissance Corporation meeting of May 15, 1998.

9. From Public Works Director Gary Wegener a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Traffic Safety Commission meetings of May 18 and June 15, 1998.

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council concurred with the recommendation of the Traffic Safety Commission for the installation of a multi-way stop at the intersection of Pioneer Avenue and Gum Avenue as an interim safety measure until a planned traffic signal can be installed.

10. From Public Works Director Gary Wegener a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Water Resources Association Board meeting of May 18, 1998.

11. From Finance Director Margaret Vicars a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Public Agency Risk Management Insurance Authority Board meeting of May 27, 1998.

12. From the Community Development Director a report was received summarizing action taken at the Planning Commission meeting of June 4, 1998, as follows:

a. Commission approved a request by Robert Gillette for map extension (Tentative Parcel Map No. 4042). The map will now be good until July 18, 2000.

b. Commission conditionally approved a request by Holy Rosary School, to expand and renovate the current school facilities on California Street. The request consisted of a conditional use permit, variance, as well as a negative declaration of environmental impact report.

c. Commission continued discussion of the Specific Plan For Signs until the June 18, 1998 Planning Commission meeting.

13. From the Community Development Director a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Historical Preservation Commission meeting of June 10, 1998.

14. From the City Manager a report was received summarizing topics discussed at the County/City 2x2 meeting of June 10, 1998.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Member Flory presented Mayor Losoya with a pair of running shoes recognizing the Mayor's "new ideas and his fast-moving pace" and allowing the Mayor to "keep up with the other Council Members."

Mayor Losoya announced that Monday, June 29, 1998, at Noon in front of City Hall Congressman Vic Fazio will be presenting a check to the City in the amount of \$11.5 million for the construction of the I-5/State Route 113 interchange.

Public Works Director Gary Wegener said with the high winds last week the City received approximately 100 calls in a two to

three day period regarding falling trees and tree limbs. He said the City crews did a terrific job in keeping the roads and traffic clear. He said it is important that property owners recognize there is a normal pruning cycle that they should be adhering to in order to get the greatest life out of the trees. He said the City was in a seven year cycle in trimming the trees, but if the trees get too top heavy they are very susceptible to wind damage.

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING:

Mayor Losoya temporarily adjourned the meeting of the Council at 7:24 p.m. in order to convene a meeting of the Woodland Redevelopment Agency Board of Directors. See Agency minutes attached to these Council minutes as Exhibit A. At 7:35 p.m. the Redevelopment Agency Board meeting was adjourned, and the Council meeting was reconvened.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Peart asked that the agenda regarding emergency Library heating/ventilation/air conditioning and painting repairs be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Vice Mayor Borchard requested that the bid award for the purchase of a new back hoe be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Ryhal requested that the agenda item regarding wage adjustments for certain Parks, Recreation and Community Services part-time positions be removed from the Consent Calendar.

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the following Consent Calendar item:

POLICE CAPTAIN AND LIEUTENANT JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

The City Council approved the Police Captain and Police Lieutenant job descriptions.

REGULAR CALENDAR:

EMERGENCY LIBRARY HEATING VENTILATION/AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC) AND PAINTING REPAIRS:

Council Member Peart said with respect the problem with the compressors for the air conditioning system at the Library there must be some problem with the system or the maintenance of the system. He recommended contracting for professional maintenance of the equipment.

Management Analyst Sherri Martin said staff will come to Council with a proposal for a mechanical maintenance program for all of the City's HVAC equipment. Council Member Peart said since he has background with respect to this kind of equipment he will work with staff.

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved funds for (1) emergency repairs to the City Library heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment; and (2) the removal of existing paint and repainting of two interior basement walls, for a total cost of \$14,000 (Funding source: contingency funds from FY 1998-99 Budget).

PURCHASE OF PUBLIC WORKS UTILITY DIVISION BACK HOE:

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council awarded the bid as a sole source purchase for one towable mini-back hoe to GCS Western Power & Equipment from Sacramento, CA, in the amount of \$22,839 for the Public Works Utility Division.

WAGE ADJUSTMENTS FOR CERTAIN PARKS RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PART-TIME POSITIONS:

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved adjustments of salary rates for certain Parks, Recreation and Community Services part-time positions due to the increase in the minimum wage.

CHANGES IN CHARTER CABLE TV SUBSCRIBER RATES:

John Adams, General Manager of Charter Communications (formerly Sonic Cable), gave Council an update on changes in cable television service since 1991 and subscriber rate increases. (Basic monthly service rate will change from \$27.95 to \$29.45 effective July 1, 1998, to reflect updated programming costs and other factors.)

PROPOSED FERNS PARK WATER FEATURE CONCEPT:

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried unanimous vote, the City Council approved the concept of a water play feature to be built at Ferns Park with volunteer funding and labor, at a site agreed upon by Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department staff, Project Play Committee and Yolo County Public Agency Risk Management Insurance Authority (YCPARMIA).

DRAFT FY97-98, FY98-99 AND FY99-00 CITY CAPITAL BUDGET:

Public Works Director Gary Wegener reviewed the draft Fiscal Year 1997-98, Fiscal Year 1998-99 and Fiscal Year 1999-00 City Capital Budget.

Council Member Borchard said he wanted to make some budget cuts to allow for road maintenance.

The City Manager said that there is not much flexibility in moving funds to different funds. He said when the funds are collected, the vast majority of which are development fees, they are collected for specific purposes to expand certain systems, such as water, sewer, storm drainage and streets. The funds are not to be diverted to other projects such as road maintenance.

Council agreed to continue review and consider approval of the Capital Budget at the July 7, 1998 Council meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN/YOUTH STRATEGY TEAM:

Assistant City Manager Phil Marler said the key elements of the Strategic Plan are the Vision, Values and Mission statements. These elements help establish the direction for the City and generally should stand the test of time. He said the initial focus of the Strategic Plan implementation so far is in the government effectiveness arena. As described in the Plan, he said the Quality Team is the mechanism to continue Strategic Plan Management. The Quality Team is the overall coordinator of the strategy team process and is charged with chartering new strategy teams, monitoring these teams' progress, confirming completion of the strategy teams, and ensuring the successful implementation of their recommendations. A prioritized list of strategic directions was developed, and youth programs and services was at the top of the list.

Vice Mayor Losoya asked that a future meeting agenda item be scheduled to discuss the concept of a Youth Cabinet to be comprised of officials and administrators, for example the Woodland Joint Unified School Superintendent, the School Board Chair, the Police Chief, and the Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services. He said the Cabinet could adopt a concept and take it to their respective boards to request approval.

The Assistant City Manager pointed out that there has not been any discussion in great depth about a teen center or community center. He said those are potential solutions to better ways to support the youth of our community. He said a team has not been formed to try to figure out how we can do that.

Council Member Ryhal said that the different resources of the various agencies should be pulled together rather than creating a new commission or committee.

Mayor Losoya said the concept is to coordinate and collaborate the services so that more than just recreation or job finding skills is provided. He said the efforts would be coordinated so that there is an umbrella effect working in the area of delinquency prevention and is a planned process. Each service that is out there would be utilized.

Council Member Ryhal said he still did not feel there should be another new program but only pull from existing committees or groups.

The City Manager said the proposal is to form a team of people from groups already doing a lot of this work to see if there are some ways to collaborate their efforts to make some improvements in some particular areas.

Council Member Flory left the meeting temporarily at 9:35 p.m. and returned at 9:42 p.m.

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry said his Department and Commission and the Y.M.C.A., as well as the Probation Department and Police Department are each going on their respective tracks, and there are still issues of juvenile delinquency and other problems. He said this would be an interdisciplinary approach to problem solving and focus of existing resources into the right spots.

Council agreed to continue discussion of a Youth Strategy Team at the July 7 Council meeting.

CITY COUNCIL 1998 SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE:

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council agreed not to hold any Council meetings during the month of August 1998.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the following Council committee assignments:

The City Council appointed Council Members Ryhal and Peart as members of the **City Cable Television Committee** and appointed Council Member Borchard as alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Members Borchard and Flory as members of the **City Solid Waste Committee** and appointed Council Member Ryhal as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Mayor Losoya to Assemblywoman Helen Thomson and appointed Council Member Ryhal to Senator Johannessen for the **League of California Cities Legislative Delegate Program**.

The City Council appointed Council Members Peart and Borchard as members of the **Chamber of Commerce/City 2 x 2 Committee** and appointed Mayor Losoya as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Members Ryhal and Borchard as members of the **Woodland Joint Unified School District/City 3 x 2 Committee** and appointed Council Member Flory as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Members Losoya and Flory as members of the **Woodland Economic Renaissance Corporation Board** and appointed Council Member Peart as alternate.

The City Council reappointed Elaine Rominger as the City's representative to the **Reclamation District 2035 Board of Trustees**. (RD 2035 Board had submitted a letter asking that former Mayor Elaine Rominger continue as a member of the Board.)

The City Council appointed Council Member Ryhal as the City representative to the **Reclamation District 2035 Advisory Committee** and appointed Vice Mayor Borchard as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Vice Mayor Borchard as the City's representative to the **Water Resources Association of Yolo County** and appointed Council Member Ryhal as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Mayor Losoya and Vice Mayor Borchard as members of the **Davis/City 2 x 2 Committee** and appointed Council Member Peart as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Members Borchard and Peart as members of the **West Sacramento/City 2 x 2 Committee** and appointed Council Member Ryhal as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Members Flory and Ryhal as members of the **Yolo County/City 2 x 2 Committee** and appointed Vice Mayor Borchard as an alternate.

The City Council approved an amendment to the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District Joint Powers Agreement creating the District to provide that each city and county within the District is permitted to appoint an alternate to

serve in the absence of the appointed representative at the District board meetings. The City Council appointed Council Member Flory as the City representative to the **Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District Board** and appointed Council Member Borchard as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Council Member Ryhal as a member of the **Yolo County Criminal Justice Cabinet** and appointed the Police Chief as an alternate.

The City Council appointed Mayor Losoya as the City's representative to the **Yolo County Economic Development Council** and appointed Council Member Peart as an alternate.

The City Council reappointed Council Member Ryhal as the City representative to the **Yolo County Transit Authority** and Mayor Losoya as the alternate.

The City Council reappointed Fire Chief Miles Julihn as the City's representative to the **Yolo County Communications and Emergency Services Agency** and appointed the City Manager Kris Kristensen as the alternate.

The City Council reappointed Finance Director Margaret Vicars as the City representative to the **Yolo County Public Agency Risk Management Insurance Authority** and appointed the City Manager as the alternate.

NEW AGREEMENT FOR CITY ATTORNEY SERVICES:

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the City Attorney's agreement, extending the City of Woodland's legal services agreement with Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard for legal services two years beginning, July 1, 1998.

FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

Mayor Losoya requested an agenda item for the July 7, 1998 Council meeting regarding the concept of a Mayor's Youth Cabinet.

Council Member Ryhal requested that in the future the minutes for a Council meeting be submitted for approval at the following Council meeting.

Council Member Flory asked to have board and commission minutes submitted in a more timely fashion and asked that Council look at the process for submitting board and commission minutes.

ORDINANCE NO. 1309 - PERS CONTRACT AMENDMENT:

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the City Council adopted and read by title only Ordinance No. 1309, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Woodland Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract between the City Council of the City of Woodland and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System."

ADJOURNMENT:

At 10:10 p.m. the adjourned regular meeting was adjourned and the special meeting was reconvened to discuss labor negotiations (Sec. 54957) regarding the following employee organizations: Management Employees and Confidential Employees. The special meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

City Clerk of the City of Woodland