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

October 21, 1997

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 that the closed session scheduled was for the purpose discussing public employment (Sec. 54957) regarding the positions of Administrative Secretary, Administrative Clerk III, Administrative Clerk I/II (three positions). Council also conferred with legal counsel regarding anticipated litigation (Sec. 54956.9) and significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Sec. 54956.9 (one case).

Council Members present at the meeting were: Rominger, Borchard, Flory, Losoya and Ryhal. Council Members absent: none. City Manager Kris Kristensen, Assistant City Manager Phil Marler, City Attorney Ann Siprelle and other legal counsel representatives were present.

The special session and closed session were adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The Woodland City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Rominger, Borchard, Flory, Losoya, Ryhal, Flory

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Kristensen, Siprelle, Marler, Ruggiero, Winnop, Wegener, De Weerd, Vicars, Hanson, Tice, Brown, Ponticello, Rice, Julihn

CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENT:

City Manager Kris Kristensen announced that the City Council just completed a closed session dealing with public employment and anticipated litigation. He said these items are permitted for closed session pursuant to the Government Code.

` Mayor Rominger said the public employment issue will be considered by Council during the regular calendar portion of the

agenda. In regard to the anticipated litigation she said no decision was made.

MINUTES:

On motion of Council Member Losoya, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the minutes for the regular Council meeting of July 15, 1997, as prepared.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. From Katherine Clement a letter was received in opposition to a proposal for low-income housing on the City's Sutter Street property.

Council requested that staff prepare a response letter.

2. From State Senator Maurice Johannessen a letter was received inviting the Council to support his request for extending the public comment period for the Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan. Copies of the Plan had only recently become available. The City Clerk said if the Council agrees with his efforts he suggests writing a letter to Lester Snow of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program requesting the extension. Additional letters of support for this request from the County Board of Supervisors and Northern California Farm Credit were also received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 1. From Police Chief Russ Smith a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Communications Emergency Services Agency Board meeting of September 3, 1997.
- 2. From City Manager Kris Kristensen a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo County Transportation District meetings of September 9 and September 24, 1997.
- 3. From the City Manager a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District Board meeting of September 10, 1997.
- 4. From Public Works Director Gary Wegener a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Tree Commission meeting of September 15,1997.
- 5. From Human Resource Manager Dean Gualco a report was received transmitting the minutes of the Personnel Board meeting of September 30, 1997.

6. From Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero a report was received summarizing action taken at the Planning Commission meeting of October 2, 1997, as follows:

Commission held its second public hearing on a petition from the Turn of the Century requesting approval to prepare a specific plan for 977 acres located south of the existing City limits, east of East Street, west of County Road 102, and north of County Road 25A. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Planning Commission requested a joint meeting with the City Council to discuss their frustrations with the specific plan process. The City Council considered this request at its October 7 meeting.

- 7. From the Community Development Director a report was received summarizing action taken at the Historical Preservation Commission meeting of October 8, 1997.
- 8. From the Community Development Director a report was received summarizing the discussion at the Urban Limit Line Committee meeting of October 9, 1997.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Michael Contreras said he felt people who serve on City boards and commission should be a resident of Woodland for at least two years before being appointed so that they are more familiar with the City. He said he has discussed this with the City Attorney and the Personnel Board.

Vice Mayor Losoya said he attended the annual League of California Cities Conference in San Francisco October 13-15, 1997, and he shared with the Council some of the activities. He said the City of Woodland presented its new flag at the Conference. He also reported on some of the voting results for the League Conference resolutions.

Council Member Borchard reminded the viewing audience that this is Farm City Week, and he encouraged everyone to attend the annual Farm City Banquet to be held on Thursday, October 23.

PRESENTATION - REPORT FROM DOWNTOWN COORDINATOR:

Downtown Coordinator Terry Blake gave the Council an update on a variety of downtown activities and issues.

Mayor Rominger said she recently spoke with a High School class, and some of the students said there are not enough activities for people their age in Woodland.

Ms. Blake said this issue has not been raised before but she said some cities have teen centers.

Mayor Rominger said none of the High School students were interested in a teen center because they felt it was too contrived. She said they prefer to have a place where they can listen to music and maybe have a soft drink.

Vice Mayor Losoya said he spoke to someone at the League Conference who had some ideas on how to deal with teen activities.

PRESENTATION - WEATHER DATA STATION:

Associate Civil Engineer Jon Tice gave a demonstration on the Weather Data Station linked with the Yolo County Communications Emergency Services Agency (YCCESA) Communication Center.

PRESENTATION - ALL ACTION AWARDS CITY FLAG PROMOTION:

Assistant City Manager Phil Marler said that one of the last projects he worked on with Bobbie Cahn from All Action Awards was transforming the idea of a City Flag into reality. He said Bobbie recognized that our community should be able to easily and reasonably acquire a City Flag and she felt the City should also benefit. As a result, All Action Awards has agreed to donate a portion of the proceeds to the City's Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department for every City Flag they sell. He said Bobbie and All Action Awards, recognizing that not everyone in the community may desire to have a City Flag designed a coffee mug which pictures the City Flag on one side and contains a short narrative about the significance of the flag on the other side. All Action Awards has committed that a portion of the proceeds be donated to the City's Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department for every City Flag coffee mug sold. He said unfortunately Bobbie Cahn passed away before this presentation could be made to the City Council.

Pete Cahn, Bobbie's husband, said All Action Awards has always supported the youth of the community and will continue to do that. He and Randi Chandler, Manager from All Action Awards, presented each Council member with a City Flag coffee mug.

Park, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry said his Department is grateful that the proceeds of the sales will go to his department, and he said they are planning to use the proceeds to purchase camperships for low income youths who wish to go to Camp Packer Creek.

Mayor Rominger temporarily left the Council Chambers.

PUBLIC HEARING - GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR LASHER PROJECT:

The City Manager said the one public hearing scheduled is for the purpose of considering a proposed General Plan amendment for the Lasher Project. The Community Development Director said that the applicant has requested a continuance of the agenda item, so there is no need to hold the public hearing at the present time.

On motion of Council Member Ryhal, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council continued the public hearing on the Woodland Auto Park General Plan Amendment to an uncertain date in the future.

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL MEETING:

Vice Mayor Losoya temporarily adjourned the meeting of the Council at 7:45 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. Mayor (Chair) Rominger returned to the Council Chambers during the Agency meeting. At 7:47 p.m. the Redevelopment Agency Board meeting was adjourned, and the Council meeting was reconvened.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Council Member Borchard asked that the item regarding the Library parking lot construction be removed from the Consent Calendar.

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

ENGINEERING STAFF RECLASSIFICATION:

The City Council approved the reclassification of an Engineering Technician III position in the Capital program to an Associate Civil Engineer position.

ACCEPTANCE OF MISCELLANEOUS TRAFFIC PROJECTS:

The City Council accepted the completion of the Third and Court Streets Signal Conversion Project No. 96-12, by Richard A. Heaps Electrical; accepted the completion of the 1997 Loop Replacement, Project No. 96-34, by Richard A. Heaps Electrical; directed the City Clerk to file notices of completion for each project; and authorized the Mayor and City Manager to sign the notices of completion

LIGHT EMITTING DIODE (LED) TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT:

The City Council (1) awarded the bid for Light Emitting Diode (LED) traffic signal heads to McCaine Traffic Supply from Vista, CA, in the amount of \$121,246.12 (including tax); and (2) authorized the Finance Director to negotiate

for the most favorable loan terms and enter into an agreement for outside financing for the purchase of the LED signal heads.

POLICE STATION ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT:

The City Council (1) awarded the construction contract to Sutter Foam & Coating, in the amount of \$11,000 for the Police Station Roof Replacement Project No. 97-33 and authorized expenditures in the amount of \$13,200 for construction; and (2) authorized the Public Works Director to execute the contract.

HOUSEHOLD USED BATTERY COLLECTION SERVICE:

The City Council authorized staff to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Yolo County and the City of Woodland for collection and disposal of household batteries.

RESOLUTION NO. 4022 - WOODLAND HOST LIONS 75TH ANNIVERSARY:

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 4022 commending the Woodland Host Lions Club on the 75th anniversary of their founding.

PARKS, RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT OVER HIRE:

The City Council approved the over hire of the Administrative Secretary and Administrative Clerk III positions within the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department.

I-5/COUNTY ROAD 102 PROJECT STUDY REPORT:

The City Council (1) awarded a contract for civil engineering consulting services to Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. (Mark Thomas & Co.) for the I-5/County Road 102 Project Study Report, Project No. 97-24, for an amount not to exceed \$92,635; (2) authorized the Public Works Director to execute the contract on behalf of the City; and (3) authorized the Public Works Director to execute contract amendments up to 10% of the value of the contract, \$9,300.

COUNTYWIDE AUTODIAL SYSTEM:

The City Council approved \$10,000 to cover the City of Woodland's proportionate share of the cost of a Countywide Autodial System which will be administered by the Yolo County Communications Emergency Services Agency (YCCESA).

WEST CROSS STREET AT CALIFORNIA STREET REALIGNMENT:

The City Council received a staff report regarding the that West Cross Street currently has substandard its intersection with the north alignment at leg California Street causing safety problems for motorists and pedestrians. The City is programmed to receive \$274,400 of Federal funds (88.53 percent of the project cost) through the Surface Transportation Program (STP) of the Intermodal Surfaces Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991 to realign the intersection to meet current minimum City The report indicated that in the last two standards. Capital Budgets the City opted not to provide the \$35,600 in required match funds from Fund 2, General Capital Outlay. Staff will be requesting funds for this project again in the next budget cycle based on the fact that this project is needed for safety and it already has funding through ISTEA.

Mr.Pollard said the Holy Rosary Church owns the property on the northeast corner of the subject intersection and is planning to build a new facility on the property. Staff has discussed the issue with Father John E. Boll of the Holy Rosary Church, so the Church's improvements have been planned for coordination with the realignment. Staff indicated that the realignment work should be performed in a time frame that will facilitate coordination with the development by the Holy Rosary Church and preclude loss of the ISTEA funds.

REGULAR CALENDAR:

LIBRARY PARKING LOTS UPGRADE:

Public Works Director Gary Wegener said staff was anticipating awarding the Library Parking Lots Upgrade project contract and requested approval to award the contract up to the amount of \$275,000. He said the bids were opened on August 20, 1997 and the awarded contract to Ramirez Construction was in the amount of \$258,428. He said prior to the Council's August recess staff did not address any contingencies on the project. He said there is typically a 10% contingency depending on the nature of the work. For this project, he said staff is recommending a 20% contingency because of the weather aspects and the fact that the contractor has already encountered two storage tanks in the area. He said staff is still awaiting results on the second tank that was found. He said staff is directing the Contractor to proceed within the \$275,000 that originally discussed with Council, but the intent was to come back to Council for approval of an additional contingency. Staff is concerned that as the project opens up, the City needs to be able to respond quickly and get the paving in place so that the City does not end up with a mud hole at the site.

Council Member Borchard said he understands the City needs to be able to respond quickly with the uncertainties, but he is uncomfortable with the 20 percent contingency rate. After a response from the Public Works Director Council Member Borchard said he accepted the reasoning for the contingency amount.

Council Member Ryhal said he also shares Council Member Borchard's concern with the 20 percent because he did not feel it was necessary.

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Losoya and carried by the following vote, the City Council (1) approved the revised Project Programming Summary Sheet; and (2) authorized expenditures in the amount of \$310,000 (includes a 20% contingency) for the construction of the Library Parking Lots Upgrade, Project No. 97-07:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Borchard, Flory, Losoya,

Rominger

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ryhal

WOODLAND SWIM TEAM USE AGREEMENT:

Council temporarily postponed action on the Woodland Swim Team use agreement because a Woodland Swim Team representative had not yet arrived at the meeting.

PARK AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN:

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry said that Dick Conzelmann, the consultant responsible for providing project management services for the Parks and Recreation Facility Master Plan, was present at the meeting.

Council Member Flory left the Council Chambers at 8:05 p.m.

Kevin Sullivan from RJM Design Group, Inc., made a presentation to the Council on the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan Phase 1 report. Also present from RJM Design were John Courtney as well as Tom Williams from Pacific Municipal Consultants who worked on the financial analysis. The City Council on July 15 had authorized the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department to contract with RJM Design Group to produce the Plan as one of the necessary studies in preparation for an upcoming process to establish the development of a new neighborhood area in Southeast Woodland. Mr. Sullivan explained the process used to receive input from the public and presented slides. He reported that Phase 1 of the study has been completed and addresses the facility needs with associated costs.

Council Member Flory returned to the Council Chambers at 8:30 p.m.

David Whitlow, a resident in the Southeast Area expressed his concerns with the Plan.

Council discussion followed. Council agreed to continue its review of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Phase 1 Report on November 4, 1997 and agreed to allow approximately 45 minutes for the agenda item.

Council took a recess from 8:45 p.m. until 8:57 p.m.

WOODLAND SWIM TEAM USE AGREEMENT:

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry outlined the provisions of the Use Agreement with the Woodland Swim Team. Al Beaird, Chair of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission, was also present at the meeting.

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council approved the Use Agreement between the City of Woodland Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department and the Woodland Swim Team for use of the City swim pools (the Community Swim Center at 155 N. West Street and the Grace Hiddleson Municipal Pool at 1125 Elm Street).

CITY STRATEGIC PLAN:

City Manager Kris Kristensen reviewed with Council the proposed City Strategic Plan. He said the Plan represents significant, positive changes in the way the City operates. He said the significance is not so much in the document itself, but rather in the process used to develop the Plan. With the Plan the City organization has (1) focused more effectively on the needs of our customers; (2) formally established our vision, values, mission and goals; (3) established citywide performance measures to evaluate our progress; and (4) involved a much larger portion of the City organization in making decisions regarding the important issues affecting our customers.

Police Captain Del Hanson described the environmental scan portion of the Plan. Assistant City Manager Phil Marler discussed the vision, values and mission and strategic directions of the Plan. Finance Department Secretary Heidi Hopper discussed the role of the Customer Service Strategy Team. Del Hanson reviewed the role of the Communications Strategy Team. Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Tim Barry discussed the City Process Improvement Strategy Team efforts.

The City Manager said a Quality Team is being established to help further their activities on the Strategic directions as well as monitoring their implementation of total quality management. Training will also be a major area, and there will be more work on performance measure aspects. The Citywide performance measures are in place, and now each department needs to work out those performance measures. The City Manager said with next year's operating budget we need to keep in mind the recommendations made that have some resource allocations, and we need to incorporate those into the budget for the There will also be regular updating future year. capabilities with the Strategic Plan which is important. said there have been a great number of people in the City's organization involved in this effort, and he thanked Council Member Ryhal and Vice Mayor Losoya for their efforts in the process. He said Council will be asked to approve the Strategic Plan at the November 4 meeting.

Council commended staff for their presentation and work on the Plan.

CITY BOARD/COMMISSION TERM LIMITS:

Assistant City Manager Phil Marler requested that the Council introduce an ordinance revising City Code Section 2-1-37(4) to permit a board, commission or committee member to serve more than two consecutive terms under certain prescribed circumstances. Secondly, he said Council will hear a report from the Personnel Board Chair regarding City board, commission and committee recruitment and retention initiatives. He then outlined the recommended language to revise the Code.

Council Member Borchard inquired about the recommended condition (b)(2) that "the appointee's continued service will help reflect the community at large."

Steve Basha, Chair of the City's Personnel Board, explained the recommendation. He said some time ago the Personnel Board presented the Council with a recruitment policy, and this language is consistent with that recruitment policy.

Mayor Rominger said she also is concerned about the condition. She said if she were to consider any extension in service on a board, commission or committee it would have to be because of the functioning rather than the representation. She said she would not be in support of including condition (b)(2).

Vice Mayor Losoya said he supported the condition to give the Council that flexibility because he believes in

diversity and insuring that the City has representation from the City at large. If this condition insures that, he said he would like to include the language.

After further discussion Council took the following action:

Ordinance No. 1298:

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by the following vote, the City Council introduced and read by title only Ordinance No. 1298 revising City Code, Section 2-1-37(4), to permit a Board, Commission or Committee member to serve more than two consecutive terms under certain prescribed circumstances, eliminating condition (b)(2):

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Borchard, Ryhal, Rominger

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Flory, Losoya

Steve Basha then gave Council an update on the board, commission and committee recruitment efforts. Debbie Carlson from the Personnel Board was also present at the meeting. He said the Personnel Board has developed a satisfaction survey which was distributed to the members of the board, commissions and committees to try to get input from them as to how they feel about serving so that the Personnel Board can give further thoughts and give the Council the results of that. He said they hope to have the results in December. He said the Board also revised the application form, and Council received copies. He said the presentations by the individual boards and commissions have been good, and he appreciated the Council's interest and support of having those presentations at Council meetings. He said there is a concern about the time lag between when a person applies for board and commission membership and when an appointment is made. He offered the services of the Personnel Board to help with the process.

Council discussed expediting the interview process. Steve Basha said the Personnel Board will discuss the process and make a recommendation to Council.

TRAFFIC CALMING IDEAS:

Associate Civil Engineer Bruce Pollard requested Council direction on implementation of traffic calming measures in the City of Woodland in both future and existing development in Woodland. He said the 1995 General Plan, Policy 3.B.6 states "The City shall investigate the use of appropriate traffic calming devices in existing and new residential areas." He said since the General Plan adoption in 1996 City staff has been researching the benefits and

detriments of traffic calming as a practice and its increasing use by public agencies in the United States. He said recently the Institute of Transportation Engineers has adopted a definition of traffic calming as follows: "Traffic calming is the combination of mainly physical measures that reduce the negative effects of motor vehicle use, alter driver behavior, and improve conditions for non-motorized street users." This definition has defined the theme of traffic calming, but he said it is really up to an individual agency to determine its own particular desires and methods. He said at the June 12, 1997 Traffic Safety Commission meeting the Commission received a report on traffic calming and recommended that the City further pursue the establishment of traffic calming in the City. During a workshop meeting on September 23 he said Council received an informational presentation on traffic calming, and Council indicated that it is interested in developing standards and policies for traffic calming in the City of Woodland. order to establish a traffic calming program, he said the City needs:

- 1. A set of warrants or guidelines for when traffic calming devices should be installed on existing streets or constructed with new development
- 2. A set of physical standards for various types of physical dimensions
- 3. A recommended method of funding the improvements

He said of the \$16,500 (including contingency) required to prepare standards for the implementation of traffic calming, \$8,250 would come from the Road Fund (37) and \$8,250 would come from the General Fund (02). This project would be an addition to the Capital Budget.

Council discussed the need for traffic calming measures in Woodland.

City Manager said it is his perception that if we actually go through the study and start to do traffic calming activities within the existing portion of the community, the City should try out those ideas on some sort of a pilot program to let the community get used to it and get a chance for people to comment on it. He said that is a good way for people to get used to a different kind of traffic control device.

The Public Works Director added that once the warrants are adopted and we get into a pilot program there will be definite cost in the actual construction, and there is a definite staff time involved.

Council Member Borchard said he would like a report back on live examples that could be implemented, the associated costs and the expected outcomes in traffic flows. Council Members Flory and Borchard said they did not see the urgency and the need to hire an outside consultant to do the study. Council Member Borchard suggested looking at what other cities are doing before jumping into an expenditure of a study. Council Member Losoya said he agreed that this does not seem to be a time sensitive issue. He suggested we accumulate more data internally and look at the matter some time in the future.

The Public Works Director suggested Council authorize proceeding with existing staff, and as the information is compiled staff will report back to Council.

David Whitlow said he and his neighbors have concerns with some of the traffic calming measures. He said they have been assured the City needs to adopt guidelines before implementation of the measures.

The City Council directed staff to develop standards and policies for the implementation of traffic calming measures in the City of Woodland in both future and existing development areas of Woodland.

1997 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS:

Dan Rice, Recreation Program Manager, gave Council a presentation highlighting the 1997 summer recreation programs, including participation statistics and financial information.

On motion of Council Member Borchard, seconded by Council Member Flory and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council extended the Council meeting from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.

LOCAL SALES TAX BALLOT MEASURE:

The City Manager said on October 6, 1997 Governor Wilson signed into law AB 1472 (Assemblywoman Helen Thomson) which authorizes the City of Woodland to approach its voters about the establishment of a 1/4 or 1/2 cent general purpose, local sales tax. He said while no action is necessary at this time he wanted to outline some of the issues related to such a ballot measure. He said this authorization was about a two-year effort, and many people felt it was not going to happen. He said the City did this largely because of the cutbacks in 1993, 1994 and 1995 principally due to the statewide economic recession and the State's budget action which took approximately \$1.7 million away from the City every year starting in 1994. He said this caused the City to make some significant changes in the

kinds of services the City could perform and its operations. The City had to look for new revenue to make up for the cuts services and to address new issues, including the expanding problem with road maintenance funding. approaches the City took in 1994 and 1995 sought to achieve a series of property related assessments for either lighting landscaping or in one case a road maintenance assessment. Over those two years the Council considered but ultimately rejected those proposed assessments. In 1995 the business owners with the Chamber of Commerce support came to the Council indicating they did not have any objection to the need for additional road maintenance funding but were concerned that the assessment would place an undue burden on business. He said they wanted the City to explore the concept of a local sales tax. The Council at that time unanimously decided that the City should explore that as an alternative. In the legislative session in 1996 Assemblyman Tom Hannigan sponsored the first bill to try to get the authority. He said the State does not give out this authority easily. He said the legislation failed in the first attempt, and this Council asked Assemblywoman Helen Thomson to help sponsor the measure which ultimately ended up being successful. In addition to Assemblywoman Thomson's there were several local people efforts who perservering in showing up at a lot of committee meetings and making presentations to State legislators. The next question is when the election should be held. He said Proposition 218 provides that any local tax measure that goes to the voters must go at the same time that a local council election is held, so the sales tax measure must go on the next council election date. The next election is scheduled for April 14, 1998 and each two years thereafter. He said there must be an affirmative two-thirds vote of the Council to place the measure on the ballot. The Council will need to make the decision by January 16, 1998 whether or not to place the measure on the April 14 ballot. The last regular meeting before that deadline is the first Council meeting in January. The authority granted with the legislation has no time limit, so if it is placed on one ballot and the measure fails, the Council can place the measure on a subsequent ballot. He said there are a number of issues, including road maintenance, law enforcement, parks and recreation programs, maintenance issues, former street tree program, etc., which need additional funding. with efficiency measures, the City still needs additional resources to tackle some of those key issues. Whether 1/4 or 1/2 cent sales tax, he said the City generates about \$5.8 million on our one percent which the City receives of the current 7.025 percent sales tax. Consequently there would be about \$2.9 million in additional revenue with a 1/2 cent measure and about \$1.45 million in revenue on a 1/4 cent measure. He said these will be somewhat reduced with Board of Equalization charges for a one-time set up fee (\$25,000) and for annually collecting

and distributing the funds about \$40,000 to \$100,000. said the proponents said they would work on a campaign for seeking approval of a local sales tax as long as that measure only had a simple majority voter threshold for approval. The proponents were not prepared to go through a campaign that would require a two-thirds voter approval. Based on Proposition 13 a general tax measure is the only the tax measure that has that a simple majority threshold left. He said with a general tax the City cannot specify how it will use the revenue or else the issue will be switched to a special tax measure requiring a two-thirds voter majority approval. While the City has the responsibility for placing the measure on the ballot, the City cannot campaign for or against the measure. The City has the ability to provide information about how the money generally could be used without being specific, and the City can answer questions but cannot campaign. He said the City needs to know that there will be a campaign there that will have a reasonable chance to be effective before the Council makes the decision to place the measure on the ballot. There will be a cost of placing the measure on the ballot.

The following persons commented on the issue of a local sales tax ballot measure: Martha Fuchslin, Michael Contreras, Dudley Holman and David Whitlow.

The City Manager said he will bring the matter back to Council after the proponents are ready to talk to the Council.

LIBRARY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS:

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Ryhal and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council authorized expenditures in the amount of \$38,000 for Phase 1 construction of the Library Drainage Repair, Project No. 97-31.

COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM COUNCIL:

On motion of Council Member Losoya, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council appointed Council Member David Flory as a City representative and Police Chief Russ Smith as an alternate to the new County Criminal Justice System Council.

PERSONNEL BOARD APPOINTMENT:

Council Member Ryhal said he was not ready to make a recommendation for an appointment to the Personnel Board, and Council agreed to defer action.

<u>CITY SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT</u>:

The City Council appointed Council Members Daniel Ryhal and Steve Borchard to interview applicants for the City Solid Waste Committee.

FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

Council Member Borchard requested a future meeting agenda item regarding the removal of olive trees on Gibson Road.

ORDINANCE NO. 1297 - NORTH KENTUCKY PARTNERS PROPERTY PREZONING:

On motion of Council Member Flory, seconded by Council Member Borchard and carried by unanimous vote, the City Council introduced and read by title only ordinance No. 1297, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Woodland Amending the Zoning Map by Prezoning Certain Land (North Kentucky Partners property) to Service Commercial (C-3)."

ADJOURNMENT:

At 11:25 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

City Clerk of the City of Woodland