Council Chambers 300 First Street Woodland, California

June 21, 1993

Vice Mayor Sandy opened the adjourned session at 7:05 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Rominger, Crescione, Flory, Sandy, Slaven

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Kristensen, O'Toole, McDuffee, Hanson, Ruggiero

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Vice Mayor Sandy announced that time will be allocated at the end of the meeting for additional comments on the Downtown Specific Plan.

DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN:

Associate Planner Colleen McDuffee provided an overview of the Downtown Specific Plan. The Plan is divided into five areas as designated on the Specific Plan Map. Area A is the location of the City and County government buildings. It is the intent of the Plan to continue and expand this use with various offices and related services allowed in the area. Area B is designated as the area for restaurants, entertainment and retail specialty stores. Area C is a transition area from the Downtown to the surrounding neighborhoods. Area D is an office garden area at the east entrance to the Downtown. Area E is south of Area D and is designated as mixed use commercial and residential. Commercial uses would be located east of Sixth Street, and residential uses would be on the west side of Sixth Street. Ms. McDuffee presented a letter from Keith Turley expressing his concern that entertainment uses will not be allowed in Area A.

Mayor Rominger made the comment that the Police Department does have outside storage and therefore does not meet the criteria for governmental buildings that should locate in Area A. She also said we should not necessarily wait for the community center to improve Freeman Park and that Freeman Park should remain a neighborhood park even with a community center. She then suggested several changes to the Land Use Matrix within the Plan.

Vice Mayor Sandy voiced a concern on restricting retail in Area A to services related to government and office workers. He also requested that consideration be given

to allowing churches to exist on "upper" floors of the buildings along Main Street and retaining the restriction on the store front level.

Ms. McDuffee explained that the timing for the conversion to the recommended one-way streets for Court Street and Lincoln Avenue is based upon criteria found in the Plan. She then explained that the intent of the Plan is to establish adequate parking in the downtown area. The issue with establishing additional parking is providing funding to construct the lots.

Council Member Slaven voiced concerns with Gene Stille's comments about the effect of the proposed one-way streets on the Nugget Market and other existing businesses.

Council Member Crescione requested that the concept of design review be discussed separately. Tom Stallard explained to the Council that the citizens' committee recommended staff design review based upon criteria defined by the Plan. The basis for this recommendation was to make the process efficient.

Council Member Flory left the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Vice Mayor Sandy suggested an art in public places policy, a policy that would specify criteria for handling a gift and placement of the art.

Community Development Director Janet Ruggiero stated that the Downtown Specific Plan is scheduled for public hearing on July 6, 1993.

Public comment on the Plan was as follows:

Ed Shelly, President of the Downtowners, explained that second floor development of downtown will not occur until adequate parking is available.

Warren Meyer requested information on the relocation of the Police Department. Vice Mayor Sandy explained that the issue would be addressed during the public hearing on July 6.

Gary Wirth discussed the recommendations of the citizens' committee in developing the Downtown Specific Plan, especially in regard to the Specific Plan boundaries and the recommended conversion to one-way streets.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:50 p.m. the meeting was adjourned to June 22, 1993, 7:00 p.m.

Deputy City Clerk of the City of Woodland