

Willowbank County Service Area (WCSA) Advisory Committee

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting Held 17 July 2019, 7:00PM

Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School Multipurpose Room

1441 Danbury Street, Davis, CA 95618

1.	<p>Call to Order: Committee Chair Woods called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.</p> <p>Committee Members Present: Liz McCapes, Bill Corliss, Marcia Kreith, Joanne Roy, Brian Morrissey, Kent Calfee, and Olin Woods</p> <p>Members Absent: None</p> <p>Recording Secretary: Michael Curry</p> <p>Others Present: Pam Eisele, Marybeth Buechner, Don Gueffroy, Eileen Gueffroy, Roberta Shakye, Katie Flaherty, John Cooluris, Terry Miller, Susie Miller, <u>District 4 Supervisor</u> Jim Provenza, <u>Deputy Supervisor</u> Rich Reed</p>
2.	<p>Introductions: Committee members and visitors gave self-introductions. <u>The Chair announced that Katie Flaherty had agreed to help keep the meeting on schedule.</u></p>
3.	<p>Approval of the minutes: It was moved by Corliss and seconded by Kreith that after several small corrections the minutes of the 15 May 2019 meeting be approved. The minutes were unanimously approved. (The minutes are available online; from https://www.yolocounty.org: go to Residents, then to County Service Areas, then to Willowbank CSA, then scroll down to “Meeting Calendars,” press All Past, scroll down again to “Meeting Calendars” to find past WCSA minutes since 2015.) <u>The Chair thanked Julie Auger for taking the 15 May 2019 notes.</u></p>
4.	<p>Public comments: None</p>
5.	<p>Yolo County Report (by District 4 Supervisor Jim Provenza): Mace Boulevard: There is continuing discussion about the Mace Boulevard bottleneck. The primary difficulties concern the decrease from four lanes to two lanes, and the refiguring of turn lanes <u>and narrowing of radii</u> at the various intersections between Montgomery and Chiles Road. <u>The City has engaged 6 consultants who will be coming back with design options to make the corridor safe for bicycles and pedestrians and accommodate motor vehicle traffic.</u> This is a city <u>City issue</u> project, and various options are being considered. <u>The County has been asked to assist as the County has the right- of-way adjacent to by El Macero and it could be possible to significantly impact the ingress/egress of County residents, eliminate the County’s path- County staff El Macero residents are now are part of a County advisory committee exploring the issues.</u> As a short-term way of ameliorating the problem the city has</p>

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	<p>proposed during heavy-traffic periods to implement a metering system at the intersection of Mace and Montgomery. It was noted that calls for more enforcement by the city City or county County face considerable shortages of personnel. <u>For example, a</u>At any given time only three <u>County Sheriff's</u> deputies are available to cover Yolo County's thousand square miles. <u>Likewise, the City Police Department is short handed.</u> The county isPreviously, Supervisor Provenza convened an advisory committee <u>of affected City and County residents, but until now it has not include residents from the greaterOld Willowbank area.</u> to explore the matter andFurther public meetings are expected. Liz McCapes has agreedvolunteered to serve on thethe working committee. We can expect further public meetings</p>
	<p>Provenza- Waste pickup (Provenza): The Ccounty will probably undertake another survey of resident preferences before making a final decision on the matter of waste pickup in general and loose-pile pickup in particular. It seems likely, <u>based on the recent survey by the ad hoc Willowbank Waste Management Committee,</u> that twice monthly loose-pile pickup will continue. Because it is imagined that the contract for waste pickup <u>potentially</u> will be for 15 years, <u>(10 year contract with the option of a 5+/- 5 year extension),</u> it seems probable<u>is likely</u> that loose-pile pickup will continue for that period. Roy inquired <u>if there will be an opt-out option and whether this the contract</u> would be consistent with state requirements. Kreith wondered what might happen <u>to our rates</u> if the Ccounty landfill began to refuse to accept the loose-pile material <u>or if tipping fees increased.</u> Provenza suggested that Yolo County will be processing an increasing proportion of its compostable material, and that under those circumstances the feared problems are unlikely to arise. <u>An ordinance defining illegal periods for on street piles or carts is likely to ensue. Here too enforcement represents a potential cost increase is an issue.</u></p> <p><u>Morrissey stressed the importance of knowing the price of waste collection service when choosing an option.</u></p> <p><u>Buechner commented on the dilemma faced by those in Willowbank with minimal street-side footage for loose street piles (due to cul-de-sac or flag lots.)</u></p> <p><u>Kreith also expressed concern that the City recently learned that if it owned and operated a composting operation the Citythey would be required to obtain permission from the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD) and that may require purchase of volatile organic (VOC) emission offsets (which could be expensive) and a Waste Discharge Permit from the State Water Resources Control Board (WRCB). Additionally, as well as complycompliance with RWQWRCB's 100-yr flood protection may be necessary.</u></p>
65b.	<p>Putah Creek North Branch Yolo County Report by District 4: Deputy Supervisor Rich Reed; Surveying Activity (Reed): Supervisor Provenza excused himself and asked Deputy Supervisor Reed to address aA joint City-County-Fire District surveying project <u>that</u> is underway along the north branch of Putah Creek between</p>

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	<p>Drummond and Mace. The project is motivated by a desire to make better sense of the various rights and responsibilities of the City, the County, and homeowners. The Creek acts as a city drainage and floodwater channel, but those functions operate against the background of a desire to manage vegetation and wildlife in an environmentally friendly way <u>that also reduces fire fuel</u>, but at the same time to do so in ways that recognize the relatively high cost of such management practices. <u>While the City uses the channel for drainage and has a North Fork Putah Creek Channel Maintenance Plan, the County presently owns some of the land.</u></p> <p>It was emphasized that the surveying process, which in part involves the use of GPS technology to locate surveying monuments, will not in any way alter property lines <u>as property owners' recorded grant deeds will prevail.</u></p>
<p>76.</p> <p>7.</p>	<p>Follow Up of an item from the 15 May 2019 meeting: Broadband: (-Woods): <u>Reported that Comcast has stated that has now made available 1 Gb (Gigabit) (i.e., or 1,000 Mb) service is available in the Willowbank area. Further, Comcast plans on they are at no cost to residents</u> replacing existing copper cabling with fiberoptic cable in the area. Where necessary homeowners who are Comcast customers will be contacted in order to make arrangements to replace existing hardware.</p> <p><u>Cooluris-Woods also commented that the additional monthly cost of the 1 Gb service can be about \$50.00 per month. -Woods suspects Comcast is eager for people to switch to its service so rates may be more attractive at this time.</u></p> <p>7-Mace Blvd Improvement Status (Kreith): <u>Noting she was unable to reach WCSA residents who may have attended the July 10 community meeting on the Mace Corridor mess. Vice Chair Kreith asked if anyone in the room knew if the 7/12/19 Davis Enterprise article accurately represented the issues. In the article, Police Chief Pytel is quoted " This won't be a (lowest) bid situation...We'll pick the people we want because we need to do this right." According to Pam Eisele, Pytel stated enforcement is an issue, but the Police Dept. is. They are trying to resolve the issues matters without enforcement. The City is short 7 or 8 police officers. The City will reintroduce 2 lanes and eliminate the rock outcroppings. Also, the freeway is part of the problem. Susi Miller mentioned she spoke at the meeting, while Eileen Guthroy mentioned the presence of a woman who was quite upset. Morrissey concluded by stating we live in a corridor and the traffic will shift to routes with least resistance posing questions whether the problems can be cured.</u></p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>Willowbank Waste Pickup Process (-John Cooluris): <u>Thanks Provenza Supervisor Provenza was acknowledged for his earlier for his report and for convening the ad hoc committee. Reed thanked the Ad Hoc Waste Waste</u></p>

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	<u>Management Advisory Committee, commenting that—Reed: Of of the 17 densely populated unincorporated communities with waste removal services in unincorporated Yolo County, Willowbank was the only area with an ad hoc group to ad hoc waste advisory committee that assessed community preferences.</u>
9.	Budget update (-Woods): <u>the WCSA Advisory Committee</u> We has <u>do not yet have received the final budget figures for FY18-19, but—We it is estimated</u> <u>d</u> that there will be a \$3,070 carryover to next year.
10.	Consider Mtg Date Changes: a) 16 October 2019 Mtg Date-Move to 17 October 2019; b) 2020 Calendar-Move Mtg Day from 3rd Wed to 3rd Thurs: a) Chair Woods proposed moving the upcoming Oct. WCSA meeting from Wed 16 October 2019 to Thurs 17 October 2019 to avoid conflicts for himself and Vice Chair Kreith. The Committee unanimously approved the proposed change, although it meant that one member would be unable to attend. [[suggest put the entire Note in bold]] <u>(Note: subsequent to the meeting, with the concurrence of County Counsel, Woods polled the Committee by e-mail and received unanimous agreement to change the Oct meeting to Tuesday TUESDAY, 15 October OCTOBER 2019, so that all Advisory Committee members could attend.)</u> b) For the 2020 calendar, Woods additionally proposed shifting WCSA meetings from the 3 rd Wed to the 3 rd Thurs. After considerable discussion, it was determined that no day is perfect, but that the 3 rd Tues had fewer conflicts than other days. Woods took a roll-call vote and the action to move the WCSA meetings in 2020 to the 3 rd Tues was unanimously approved. However Kreith expressed the view this should be revisited at the October meeting after people have checked their calendars for next year. [[Olin if you don't want to state my insertion I won't be offended if you delete it. But I think people ought pull out their calendars and think about it as the July Agenda had suggested we would vote on 3rd Thurs. However 3rd Thurs would probably loose Provenza because of Fire Board and is more likely to be an issue for me (medically).]]
11.	Advisory Committee Comments: <u>Committee Member Liz McCapes commented that she is working on a history of Old Willowbank with the assistance of Gary Peterson and Vice Chair Kreith.</u> Comments/to do: <u>Gary Peterson, Liz McCapes, and Marcia Kreith are working on the Willowbank history project.</u> Kreith commented that t— <u>Not only did the history written by Mary Gottlieb Coorlis emphasize the should address the entire Old Willowbank subdivision area and and not just emphasize one of the original subdivisions at the expense of the others. the greater neighborhood, but Deputy Supervisor Rich Reed recently encouraged developing a more extensive history for the County archives. Eileen Gueffroy suggested we contacting Dair Rausch to learn of her records. Committee Member Calfee mentioned that the history project might want to take note that the Putah Creek North Branch was created originally as a drainage channel</u>

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[Oakside Drive extension:](#) Woods commented re. ~~the~~ ~~There is an~~ extension of Oakside south of Montgomery Rd. ~~The~~ A new owners of [an agricultural land tract](#) ~~the property~~ south of Montgomery has ~~ve~~ been complaining when people walk their dogs ~~along on~~ what many ~~have believed~~ [understand](#) to be a public road. There was a brief discussion about the question of how far the public road [south of Montgomery](#) —if it is indeed public— extends: [all the way; t](#) ~~To the levee?? t~~ ~~To the now buried remnants of Putah Creek, etc.?~~ - According to Kreith the subdivision of lands in Solano County [to the south was approved on the condition that the parcels have access to the existing extension of Oakside north to Montgomery Avenue.](#) ~~Reed offered to will attempt to clarify.~~

Woods [further commented that:](#) ~~i~~ It is the season of ~~spraying for~~ mosquito ~~abatement~~s and there is ~~i~~ information [on aerial and ground spraying available at:](#) 800-429-1022 or [fight.the.bite.net](#)

Kreith: Suggested ~~that we have~~ a discussion of water rates [at the Tuesday, October 15 meeting.](#)

12. **Adjournment at 8:40 PM: Next ~~Regular~~ ~~Regular~~ meeting of the WCSA Advisory Committee ~~scheduled in~~ meeting: ~~at Montgomery School Library~~ ~~[Is this the location and time for Oct 15 meeting??]~~ ~~rescheduled to TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2019, Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School Multipurpose Room.~~**

~~Rescheduled to Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. 17 October 2019~~

~~Meeting adjourned: 8:40 p.m.~~

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