

**Willowbank County Service Area and Community Advisory Committee (WCSA/CAC)**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Meeting conducted in person at Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School, Music Room**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Call to Order:</b> Committee Chair Woods called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.
	<b>Committee Members Present:</b> Artie Lawyer, Liz McCapes, Brian Morrissey and Olin Woods. <i>Two vacant positions (Oakside).</i> Absent: Anne Todgham
	<b>Note taker:</b> Brian Morrissey
<b>2.</b>	<b>Invited Guests:</b> County Supervisor Jim Provenza, Sheila Allen
<b>3.</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda for 11/14/23</b>  Motion to approve the agenda <b>MSP (Morrissey, McCapes)</b>  Unanimously approved
<b>4.</b>	<b>Approval of the September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, WCSA Meeting Minutes: Woods</b>  Motion to approve minutes. <b>MSP (Lawyer, Morrissey)</b>  Unanimously approved
<b>5.</b>	<b>Public Comments:</b>  <i>No comments</i>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Yolo County Report: District 4 Supervisor Jim Provenza</b>  Motion to table Item 6 until Provenza arrival by Morrissey, Seconded by Lawyer; Vote: aye by all present. Supervisor Provenza arrived at 7:45pm.  New County Library, "Walnut Park Library" has received approvals and funding to be built. The funds are from California State fund, County Library Fees, Yolo Library Tax, City of Davis and US Congressional funding. The project represents 20 years of planning—notably, the vision to set aside land by the then County Supervisors, Library Board and Librarians. Walnut Park Library is to feature meeting room(s), study rooms, books. Future plans are for it to include a resiliency center for residents, in the event of power being lost and/or extreme heat or cold.  North Fork Putah Creek transfer of title and maintenance responsibilities to City of Davis nearly complete. All homeowner encroachment issues, with one exception, have been resolved.  Drainage study of WCSA area, vis-a-vis to City of Davis' stated intention to asses fees for all areas which use the North Putah Branch to drain their respective storm water runoff has been completed. Results not yet available. The City continues to assert that Old Willowbank homes will be subject to a fee and the County continues to resist the City's assertion. Stay tuned.  County Road maintenance schedule was shared. Notable change for WCSA/CAC area: resurfacing has been moved 3 years earlier (to 2028 instead of the previously planned 2031). Specific hazards or safety concerns relating to the roadways should be reported to the County via the following link: <a href="https://www.yolocounty.org/government/general-government-">https://www.yolocounty.org/government/general-government-</a>

	<a href="#">departments/community-services/public-works-division/road-maintenance-request/road-maintenance-request-form.</a>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Basics of Enforcement: Green Waste Piles &amp; Construction Debris: Lawyer</b></p> <p>Officer Koranda not present. Related information shared by A. Lawyer regarding topic.</p> <p><i>Timing</i> of putting out street side green waste piles is too early if more than seven days before scheduled pick up by Recology.</p> <p><i>Placement</i> of waste piles in the seven days prior to the “Claw” pick up: in areas without street gutters at side of roadway accessible for the Claw, In areas with storm gutters at side of roadway leaving adequate space for gutters to manage water.</p> <p><i>Schedule</i> of waste pick-up is currently once per month on the third Thursday. Alternative schedules are under exploration (see Item 14).</p> <p>Enforcement is by intermittent inspection or in response to complaint to Officer Koranda.</p> <p>Officer Koranda (Yolo County Code Enforcement Officer) to be on future meeting agenda.</p>
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Consideration of Alternatives Re. Adding Services to WCSA/CAC: Morrissey/Woods</b></p> <p>Morrissey defers to next meeting further information on undergrounding of utilities and addition of fiberoptic cabling for improved internet speed/bandwidth.</p> <p>Woods and others shared that neighborhood street sweeping had been previously explored years ago. Mechanical sweepers may create projectiles out of gravel from roadway shoulders so rejected due to risks of harm. Limited sweeping might be feasible in limited areas of Old Willowbank without gravel shoulders (Meadowbrook with the exception of Walnut Lane homes and West Oakside). West Oakside resident Roberta Shakya expressed support to explore costs and feasibility, and Committee, by consensus, requested that Woods bring further information.</p>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Basic Security Measures for Individual Residents in the WCSA/CAC: McCapes/Lindsey</b></p> <p>McCapes presented information on security suggestions received from Yolo County Sheriff’s Deputy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact County for home checks (e.g. during periods of home vacancy)</li> <li>• Vehicle speed enforcement is by California Highway Patrol—contact to them may increase presence</li> <li>• Radar speed signs can be placed</li> <li>• Make homes appear occupied</li> <li>• Yolo County Sheriff can help establish Neighborhood Watch program(s)</li> </ul> <p>Others present shared personal security actions, experiences and concerns.</p> <p>Due to interest expressed by the public and Committee Members, the Chair asked McCapes to consider bringing this item back at the March 5, 2024, meeting, to include inviting a Yolo Count Deputy Sheriff. McCapes agreed.</p>
<b>10</b>	<b>WCSA/CAC Boundaries: Woods</b>

	<p>Woods presented information that the WCSA/CAC is comprised of 131 lots/homes (120 in Old Willowbank, 3 empty lots, 8 additional homes to the west of Old Willowbank, one on Montgomery Ave, 3 on Elderberry Pl., and 4 on Drummond Ave.).</p> <p>Discussion on means to assure adequate communication to all by updating email/communications list with Deputy Supervisor Sheila Allen.</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>I-80 Managed Lanes Project Update: Woods</b></p> <p>The Chair provided the latest information on the status of the project, including the signing of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) by Governor Newsom on 13 November 2023. Previous opportunities for Committee and community comments on project by WCSA/CAC were reviewed by the Chair, including the Committee’s favorable view of the expansion of I-80 to four lanes in each direction in Yolo County. The new lane would be a combined HOV and Toll Lane and would connect with I-5 HOV/Toll Lanes in Sacramento City as well with HOV/Toll Lanes in Natomas. Considering the short review period (comments due by 5 January 2024) the upcoming holiday season, and the Committee’s familiarity with the project, it was proposed that a Special Meeting would not be necessary.</p> <p>The Committee voted to delegate to Chair Woods and Vice Chair Lawyer the responsibility of providing WCSA/CAC comments on behalf of the Committee to Caltrans, the lead agency, by the deadline.</p> <p><b>MSP (Woods, Morrissey)</b> Unanimously approved</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Water Rate Update: Woods</b>The Chair advised that an update would be included in Item 16 comments</p>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>Financial Report: Woods</b> Updated balance: \$10,300. No expenses from the past quarter.</p>
<b>14.</b>	<p><b>Yard Trimming Collection Update: Lawyer</b></p> <p>Alternatives to current arrangement vis a vis frequency are possible. County plans to survey residents on change from current (one per month claw waste pick up of green waste) to perhaps 15 pick-ups per year with one additional service in months of November, December, and January. If survey is favorable to change, a cost estimate will be requested of Recology. If the survey should be successful, the alternatives would be submitted to residents for consideration by vote.</p>
<b>15.</b>	<p><b>Future Agenda Items: Lawyer</b></p> <p>Yolo County Sheriff Deputy to visit Update on yard waste pick-up changes</p>
<b>16.</b>	<p><b>WCSA Advisory Committee Member Comments</b></p> <p><i>Committee Comments:</i> Vic Chair Lawyer will ask for Yolo County Enforcement Officer to visit a future WCSA/CAC meeting.</p> <p>Chair Woods announced his plan, after six years in the position, to step down as Chair of the WCSA/CAC after the January, 2024, meeting. Woods indicated that incidentally, his Committee appointment expires with the January meeting, but that he would like to stay on the Committee as a member if Supervisor Provenza chooses to reappoint him. All should give consideration to</p>

	the upcoming change of leadership and the vote for a new Chair & Vice Chair at the January 16, 2024, session.  Morrissey: No Comments McCapes: No Comments
<b>17.</b>	<b>Adjournment (9:08pm) to the Next WCSA/CAC Meeting: Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 7PM, Music Room, Montgomery Elementary School</b>