

**MINUTES OF THE DAVIS CITY COUNCIL**  
**Meeting of February 26, 2008**

The City Council of the City of Davis met in regular session beginning at 6:32 p.m. in the Community Chambers, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greenwald.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Present: Ruth Asmundson, Lamar Heystek, Don Saylor, Stephen Souza, Sue Greenwald

Councilmembers Absent: None

Other Officers Present: City Manager Bill Emlen, City Attorney Harriet Steiner, City Clerk Margaret Roberts

Approval of Agenda D. Saylor moved, second by S. Souza approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Ceremonial Presentations: Proclamation was read and presented naming March as Women's History Month.

International House Annual Report Board President Shirley German with International House gave the annual report for fiscal year 2006-2007.

Brief Communications Long Range Calendar:

- L. Heystek and D. Saylor will work with city staff on retaining records in excess of state minimum for historical purposes.
- D. Saylor requested to have a resolution on the March 11 agenda to support the cities of Colusa and Williams regarding Cortina Integrated Waste Management (CMWM). The two cities are opposed to CMWM and their current practice of hauling garbage from the bay area through Yolo County to Colusa.

S. Souza moved, second by R. Asmundson to approve the long range calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

AB1234 Reporting: None

Public Comments Comments and concerns expressed by citizens:

- L. Richter spoke in favor of including choice voting in the original charter should the City Council decide to become a charter city.
- K. Pope commented on the inter-faith shelter that was recently open.
- J. Mirante with Pacific Gas & Electric gave a brief report on the weekend power outages.
- S. Lee showed a sample of the Proclamation of One Community that will be displayed at Freedom Hall.

Consent Calendar Resolution 08-024 authorizing the Finance Director to execute agreement between the City of Davis and Franchise Tax Board Local Government Sharing Program  
Approved

Resolution 08-025 approving of a purchase and sale agreement for the acquisition of a conservation easement on the Barger Ranch (APN 040-200-013) and authorization for the City Manager to complete the transaction  
Approved

Budget Adjustment # (\$440,000) – Open Space Allocation  
Approved

Organizational Changes and Associated Job Descriptions in City Manager's Office, Finance Department and Parks & Community Services including job descriptions include: Assistant City Manager, Budget Manager, Community Services Director, Sustainability Programs Coordinator, Financial Services Manager, Housing and Human Services Superintendent, Housing and Human Services Program Coordinator, Parks and General Services Director, Property Development Coordinator  
Approved

Finance and Budget Commission regular meeting minutes of January 14, 2008  
Informational

Safety and Parking Advisory Commission regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2008  
Informational

Update on status of the UC Davis West Village annexation discussions  
Informational

R. Asmundson moved, second by D. Saylor to approve the consent calendar as listed above. The motion passed unanimously.

Items removed from  
Consent:

- Verizon Telecommunications Agreement  
L. Heystek moved, second by D. Saylor to direct staff to work out details to determine the options to renegotiate the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

- Extend the terms of the existing landscape maintenance contracts  
Main motion by R. Asmundson, second by D. Saylor to approve the resolution and that there be a workshop be scheduled regarding the living wage prior to September.

Substitute motion by L. Heystek moved, second by S. Greenwald to direct staff to renegotiate the current contract for landscape maintenance in keeping with the current standards as dictated with comparable communities regarding a living wage.

Substitute, substitute motion by S. Souza, second by D. Saylor to direct staff to do a survey of living wage ordinances and to determine what the parameters and methodology was and to ask the contractors from Coast Landscape Management and GP Landscape what they are paying their workers in Davis and to direct staff an entire discussion on the living wage issue. The motion passed unanimously.

L. Newman, owner of Coastland has no problem with providing their employees a living wage rate. They will negotiate with staff to accomplish this.

- Extend the terms of the existing custodial service contract  
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Charter City Sub-  
committee Report

K. Stachowicz gave the background on discussions that have taken place regarding becoming a charter city. S. Souza and L. Heystek provided information on the process to draft the proposed charter. An updated version of the proposed charter was distributed.

Comments and concerns by J. Adler, D. Kerry, C. O'Neal, C. Escamilla-Greenwald, S. Sosnic, and N. Price

- 1996 – Governance Task Force recommended: Implementation of term limits, at-large elections, charter city and choice voting
- 2004 – Governance Task Force recommended: choice voting, charter city, instant run-off voting, allow direct mayoral elections, increase number of council members
- Take action so choice voting can be used in 2010; possibly the November ballot
- Encourage a community communication period
- Does the City Council want the voters of Davis the opportunity to make this decision
- Allowing choice voting will restore sovereignty to the city and is an issue of governance
- How will this effect the prevailing wage and collective bargaining

S. Souza moved, second by L. Heystek to review the last draft version of the charter and direct staff and attorney to complete an analysis of a draft charter and return to the Council by the end of March. The motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Heystek, Saylor, Souza, Greenwald

NOES: Asmundson

Update on City Plans Related to UC Davis Centennial Celebration

Bob Segar, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Campus Planning at UC Davis presented the information and plans for the Centennial Celebrations.

D. Saylor moved, second by S. Souza to direct staff to share Workplan information with City Commissions and encourage additional community support of and participation in the Celebration during 2008-2009 and to direct to share Centennial Celebration Workplan information with City Commissions and encourage additional community support of and participation in the UCD Centennial Celebration during 2008-2009. The motion passed unanimously.

LAFCO Sphere of Influence

K. Hess explained what the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is and what they do.

J. Ziegler on behalf of Sutter Davis Hospital would like the Council to consider their site when making their decision.

L. Heystek moved, second by D. Saylor to authorize a letter to Yolo County LAFCO stating all areas stated in the attachments on page 6 & 7 be included in the sphere including Macero, South of Macero Estates, Shriners property, the Signature property, the property Northeast of the Mace interchange and the property Northeast of Road 32. The motion passed unanimously.

Status of the Sister City Program

K. Stachowicz provided an update regarding the eight sister city relationships that are in place.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 p.m.

Margaret Roberts, MMC  
City Clerk