

**City Of Woodland  
City Council Meeting Agenda Summary Sheet**

**Agenda Item:** Resolution No. 635 - to change Council Standing Committee meetings as described in WMC 2.04.070 and temporarily suspend these committees for the period of June 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014 to test a new method for handling communications, focused study and formulation of Policy through City Council Workshops on 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays monthly

**Agenda Item #:** ( D ) Consent  
**For Agenda of:** 06/03/2013  
**Department:** Mayor  
**Date Submitted:** 05/28/2013

**Cost of Item:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Amount Budgeted:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Unexpended Balance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BARS #:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Department Supervisor Approval:** Grover B. Laseke, Mayor / s /

**Committee Recommendation:** Council workshop held 5/13/2013

**Agenda Item Supporting Narrative (list attachments, supporting documents):**  
 Resolution No. 635 – changing Council Standing Committee meetings

**Summary Statement/Department Recommendation:**  
 The council met in a workshop on 5/13/2013 and discussed how to improve the process for handling the business that is brought before the City Council including communications, focused study and policy formulation. The Council studied and reviewed how other cities conduct their business and considered a staff recommendation. They believe that the standing committee structure currently used may be outdated and inefficient thus wasting limited city resources and that the City of Woodland must judiciously evaluate and consider various options for conducting city council business. It is in the best interests of the city to try another method of conducting city council business on a temporary basis to determine if a permanent change is desirable. The City Council has determined that the use of workshops and study sessions involving the entire council may be more efficient and the City Council has determined that the fourth Monday of each month is a good time for such workshops and study sessions. The City Council wishes to re-evaluate the change in January, 2014 to determine if the use of workshops and study sessions involving the entire council is more efficient and desirable.

The Woodland City Council will suspend City Council Standing Committee meetings from June 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014, and change them to meet on the fourth Monday of each month as a City Council Workshop and Work Session to handle the business previously

handled by the Standing Committees, and that this temporary suspension will be reviewed at a regular city council meeting in January, 2014.

**Recommend adoption of Resolution No. 634.**

## RESOLUTION NO. 635

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES AS DESCRIBED IN WMC 2.04.070 AND TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF THESE COMMITTEES FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2013 TO JANUARY 31, 2014 TO TEST A NEW METHOD FOR HANDLING COMMUNICATIONS, FOCUSED STUDY AND FORMULATION OF POLICY THROUGH CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOPS.**

### Recitals

**WHEREAS**, the Woodland City Council held a workshop on May 13, 2013 to discuss how to improve the process for handling the business to be brought before the City Council including communications, focused study and policy formulation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council studied and reviewed how other cities conduct their business and considered a staff recommendation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that the standing committee structure currently used may be outdated and inefficient thus wasting limited city resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Woodland must judiciously evaluate and consider various options for conducting city council business; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the city to try another method of conducting city council business on a temporary basis to determine if a permanent change is desirable; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the use of workshops and study sessions involving the entire council may be more efficient: and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the fourth Monday of each month is a good time for such workshops and study sessions: and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to re-evaluate the change in January, 2014 to determine if the use of workshops and study sessions involving the entire council is more efficient and desirable.

### Resolution

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Woodland City Council, that the said Council hereby suspends City Council Standing Committee from June 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014, and hereby identifies the fourth Monday of each month as a City Council Workshop and Work Session to handle the business previously handled by the Standing Committees, and that this temporary suspension will be reviewed at a regular city council meeting in January, 2014.

ADOPTED in an Open Public Meeting of the Woodland City Council this 3rd day of June, 2013.

CITY OF WOODLAND

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Grover Laseke, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mari E. Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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William J. Eling, City Attorney