



City of Woodland

Meeting Agenda

Sustainability Advisory Committee

City Hall
Council Chambers
300 First Street
Woodland, CA
95695

April 15, 2026 - 6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for the public to comment on items not on the agenda. Comments may be presented inperson or emailed to SACmeetings@cityofwoodland.org and limited to three (3) minutes when read aloud.

D. MEMBER REPORTS

This is an opportunity for members of the Committee to report on relevant activities or topics related to the Committee's charge.

E. STAFF REPORTS

1. RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION: Staff recommends that the SAC receive an update from staff on recent activities.

F. BUSINESS ITEMS

2. RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION: Staff recommends that the SAC revisit its discussion of General Fund Sustainability funding

G. WORK GROUP UPDATES

H. ADJOURN

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| SUSTAINABILITY PROJECTS | | |
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| Project Name | Description | Status |
| City / WM Agreement | The City of Woodland extended its waste-hauling agreement with WM, effective September 1, 2025 | Successful "Bulky Waste" event in March 2026. Next initiative will be a rollout of State-mandated updated bins. |
| Regional Resilience Grant Program | County-wide effort to create a Yolo Regional Resilience Collaborative (YRRC) that will position us for better collaboration on regional projects and additional funding; state funded through a grant. | Many SAC members attended first YRRC community workshop on July 24, 2025 Leadership group continues to meet and monitor regional funding opportunities, priorities |
| Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Action Team | County-wide effort to perform an analysis for the county's ZEV infrastructure needs, positioning us better for future grant applications and investments; each member will work with selected consultant on a municipal fleet transition plan. | Countywide action plan currently in draft stage Two recent community workshops will inform the final draft: Thursday, April 9 from 4-7 PM at TANA here in Woodland Tuesday, April 13 from noon - 1 PM virtually |
| City-County Climate Working Group | Regional climate and sustainability collaboration: Local city and county staff in Yolo and Sacramento counties | City is a member and staff are actively attending meetings. Most recent discussion focused on events and community engagement |
| Capital Regional Climate Resilience Collaborative (CRCRC) | Sacramento region-wide (six county) group to share best practices and coordinate efforts. | Spencer Bowen on the CRCRC Steering Committee for five years; CRCRC activities helped in efforts such as the above OPR grant application and Federal EPA CPRG program. Next free public CRCRC workshop coming up in the summer. |
| ZEV support | Installation of ZEV infrastructure and procurement of vehicles | All downtown chargers updated to new technology (Charge Point) Fleet services complying with State's "Green Fleets" rules and participating in ZEV Action Team (see above) New parking lot project at the Community Center also installed multiple charging ports (closer to the new pool and Community Center) |
| Woodland Bike Loop | Identify and promote a citywide bike loop to promote active transportation | City approved and identified loop location in March 2024 City received YSAQMD funding for signage and promotion Staff currently installing signs "Woodland Wheelin'" Community ride scheduled for May 2, 9 AM at Rick Gonzales Sr. Park |
| Woodland Transfer Point Relocation | The Yolo Transportation District (Yolo TD) and City are collaborating on a new downtown transfer point to replace the outdated and unsafe transit center in the County Fair Mall. | New transfer point planned for near Fifth and Main in front of the Yolo County Courthouse. Anticipated completion in Summer / Fall 2027 Project officially selected as part of SACOG's Mobility Zones program |



General Fund Dollars Earmarked for Sustainability – Follow-Up Discussion
Sustainability Advisory Committee
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Background: In 2022, Woodland City Council earmarked \$400,000 General Fund dollars that originated from the American Rescue Plan Act for “Sustainability / Carbon Reduction / Climate Resiliency Projects.”

After discussion of a “suite” of options, the SAC selected Downtown Woodland bicycle improvements as the best direction. The SAC and staff agreed to not identify more specific projects until the official selection of a new Yolo bus transfer point in the downtown area, which is now complete (Main and Fifth in front of the County Courthouse).

Today, staff seeks a discussion with two goals:

1. Reaffirm (or not) the bicycle-friendly downtown improvements
2. Discuss any other possible uses and priorities

For perspective, the SAC’s initial funding discussion listed the following general directions to structure the item:

Direction A: City Operations

Analyze and address operational needs and basic functions of City facilities and programs

Pros:

- Generally one-time expenses
- “Having our own house in order” sets a good example, can work as a messaging piece
- Bang for the buck long term
- Climate Action Plan (CAP) calls out “comprehensive building efficiency” as one of the most impactful objectives to pursue

Cons:

- Some physical infrastructure costs can be expensive, especially in the current climate, but raw material costs are slowly coming down
- May not be as visible or public

Direction B: Utilities

Explore ways the City can incentivize cleaner utility choices, such as VCE UltraGreen

Pros:

- Broadly impactful
- Utilities are a key focus of both statewide and local climate goals

Cons:

- Ongoing cost does not fit the funding timetable
- Less tangible, doesn't tell a story or work as well as a messaging piece

Direction C: Vehicles & Transit

Analyze and address the City's specific needs related to fleet and public transit

Pros:

- Transit emissions make up a big chunk of GHG emissions, and the CAP calls out "increased use of alternative-fuel vehicles" as the single most impactful strategy
- Could make an immediate impact on ongoing efforts to make our fleet more sustainable
- Very public, would tell a story and work well as a messaging piece

Cons:

- Cars and car parts, like many physical infrastructure costs, are currently expensive

Direction D: Outreach, Education, & Public Signage

Public engagement and outreach focused on existing and future sustainability items like Crawford Park Rain Garden, pollination efforts, solar panels, ASR wells, Woodland Regional Park Preserve, and more

Pros:

- Relatively cheap
- Public; tells a story
- Direct CAP alignment

Cons:

- Lower tangible emissions impact

Direction D evolved into a downtown bicycling infrastructure improvement recommendation.

In addition to the above options, SAC discussions since then have included some of the following possible projects:

- Support for a Woodland-specific volunteer or cleanup event
- Funding to support micro-forest planting and infrastructure

- Extreme heat / shade projects
- Pedestrian and bike improvements near schools or at other key crossings identified in Active Transportation Plan

After any general funding guidance, staff will work internally on a more formal proposal to bring back to the SAC for consideration in May or June. Then, staff recommends that the SAC appoint an ad-hoc subcommittee to work directly with City staff to put together a formal report for consideration by the City Council.