

## ORDINANCE NO. 432

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, ACCEPTING A DONATION OF FUNDS FROM THE WOODINVILLE ROTARY CLUB AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE WOODINVILLE ROTARY CLUB TO EFFECTUATE THE TERMS OF SAID DONATION.

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**WHEREAS**, the Woodinville Rotary Club, in conjunction with Banner Bank (collectively, "the Club"), has graciously offered to donate approximately \$155,000 for the purpose of improving the multipurpose room and kitchen of the City's Carol Edwards Center; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 35.21.100 authorizes the City Council to accept donations by ordinance and to effectuate any lawful terms or conditions associated therewith; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to accept the Club's donation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

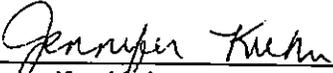
**Section 1. Acceptance of Donation.** The City Council hereby accepts a donation from the Woodinville Rotary Club in the amount of \$155,000. The City Manager is authorized and directed to prepare a Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the City to specify terms and conditions.

**Section 2. Effective Date.** This ordinance, as an administrative action, is not subject to referendum and shall take effect five (5) days after publication of a summary consisting of the title.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION OF ITS PASSAGE THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2006.**

  
Cathy VonWald, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Jennifer Kuhn  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

  
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J. Zachary Lell  
City Attorney

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Mayor Cathy VonWald  
Woodinville City Council  
17301 133 Avenue NE  
Woodinville, WA 98072

Dear Mayor VonWald:

It is with deep regret that I inform you that the Woodinville Rotary Club is withdrawing the pledge made in 2005 for assisting the City with its enhancement of the multi-purpose room in the Carol Edwards Center. Please be assured that we think this project will be very beneficial to the citizens of Woodinville. At the same time we have been forced to review our beneficiaries and withdraw our monetary support for this City project. Several factors contributed toward this difficult decision.

Woodinville Rotary Auction annual net proceeds have not met our projections. As the major fund raising event for our 50 members, this event has been growing over the years. This growth, which we assumed would continue when we first made the pledge for 2007-2009 has now flattened out, forcing us to make difficult choices between potential beneficiaries.

In addition, our membership was uncomfortable donating to a project where we would benefit directly as an organization. Typically, the beneficiaries are chosen without regard to any Club benefit. In this case, our funding would have been used to enhance our own meeting space, which is at odds with our charitable giving philosophy.

Those factors are outside the City's control, however the complexity of the legal documentation that was required in order to give a sizable contribution to the City and the political uncertainty around this project have given our membership uneasiness. We support projects where the beneficiaries are singlemindedly united around a cause and are typically grateful for assistance.

We endorse the planned improvements for the Carol Edwards Center and believe they will serve the community well. We hope that the Council will

consider making the investment in the multi-purpose room that was envisioned when we made the informal pledge in 2005 and that the project is completed as envisioned by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

We continue our commitment to Rotary Community Park and the Woodinville community.

Sincerely ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Whitsell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "G".

Gary Whitsell, President  
Woodinville Rotary Club and Charitable Foundation