City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Spitler, City Manager

DATE: June 18, 2013

SUBJECT: Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a

Payment Plan Agreement for Connection Fees in the amount of \$24,865

between the City of Calistoga and Dan Farris.

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

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Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

ISSUE: Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Payment Plan Agreement for Connection Fees in the amount of \$24,865 between the City of Calistoga and Dan Farris.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution.

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BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: As a part of an economic incentive program the previous City Manager allowed commercial property developers an opportunity to have their water and wastewater connection fees financed by the City for 3 to 5 year terms. A 3.52% interest was charged. This was offered to 6 individuals between 2007 and 2009. Of these, 3 were eventually consummated. The remaining offer that has not been finalized pertains to property owned by Dan Farris on lower Washington Street. Action on this offer was delayed due to change in administrative staff and the Recession. The present City Manager has stopped this program due to the poor financial condition of these enterprise funds. However, the offer to Mr. Farris is being honored and presented

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The Farris properties that were a part of the original loan proposal included the following:

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805 A/B Washington Street (grocery market)

before the City Council for approval this evening.

Original water/wastewater estimated demand: Water: .037 AF; Wastewater: .033 AF;

23 Cost: \$3,790.73

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- 25 Existing credits on property: Water: .85 AF; Wastewater: .767 AF
- 26 Existing use past 4 years: Water .28 AF; Wastewater: .25 AF
- 27 This property does not need water and wastewater allocations and the owner does not
- 28 need a loan as the property has ample credits.

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713 A/B & 715 Washington Street (retail, office and residential)

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- Original water/wastewater estimated demand: Water: .713 AF; Wastewater: .506 AF;
- 33 Cost: \$58,565.32

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- Existing credits on property: Water: 0 AF; Wastewater: 0 AF
- Existing use past 4 years: Water .204 AF; Wastewater: .184 AF
- 37 Revised Cost: \$24,865

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- Mr. Farris would like to enter into a 5 year payment agreement on the \$24,865 which
- requires 60 monthly payments of \$452.56 per month. This is at a 3.52% interest rate.
- The payments would start July 1, 2013 (see attached Loan Amortization Schedule).
- There is no prepayment penalty.

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- **FISCAL IMPACT**: The Water and Wastewater enterprise funds would have to await full payment of \$24,865 for 5 years. However, the 3.52% interest is a reasonable return
- full payment of \$24,865 for 5 years. However, the 3.52% interest is a reasonable respectively so it is not a gift of public funds.
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ATTACHMENTS:

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- Draft Resolution
- 2. Payment Plan Agreement for Connection Fees
- 3. March 18 and 19, 2009 letters to Dan Farris