



**Resolution No. 2000-908**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FACT SHEET CONCERNING THE  
NOVEMBER 2000 POLICE STATION BOND ELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has placed before the voters at the November 7, 2000 general election a proposal to approve a bond for the construction of a new police station, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to provide to the voters of the City factual information on the proposed bond and police station, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the attached Fact Sheet;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

The attached Fact Sheet is approved for publication and distribution.

Duly passed by the City Council this 26th day of September 2000.

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Walt Hitchcock, Mayor

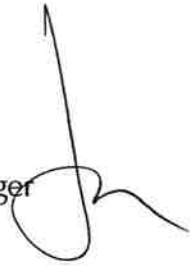
ATTEST:

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C.L. Wiley, City Recorder

TO: City Council  
FROM: John N. Morgan, City Manager  
SUBJECT: Bond Election Fact Sheet

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ISSUE:

Council approval of a fact sheet to be provided to voters providing information on the November 2000 Police Station Bond Levy.

BACKGROUND:

The Council has placed a bond levy on the November 7, 2000 general election ballot. If this is approved, it will fund construction of a new Police Station.

The Council can consider issuing a fact sheet to be provided to voters giving factual information on the proposed bond and police station.

A draft fact sheet is under development at the time this report is being prepared. It will be provided to Council at the meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

A resolution is attached that may be used by the Council to approve the fact sheet if it wishes to do so.

# Modern Police Facilities for a Growing Community

## Fact Sheet for Measure 34-29



### Citizen committee recommends a new police station

Earlier this year a citizen task force completed an eight-month study examining the condition of the Sherwood police station facilities. The task force concluded that, although the police are doing a good job of ensuring the safety of the City's residents, they clearly are being hampered by the inadequacies of the current police station. The task force saw no way to modernize the present facility to meet the needs of a rapidly growing community. The task force recommended the Sherwood City Council take steps to build a new police station.



### Sherwood's growth increases police workload

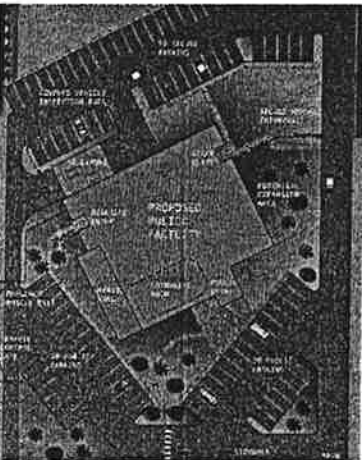
In large part, the station's inadequacies have been the result of Sherwood's rapid growth. In the last ten years, Sherwood's population has tripled from 3,000 to nearly 10,000 residents. The demand for police services has experienced a similar growth. Last year alone, Sherwood police responded to more than 13,000 calls. This is a 20 percent increase over the previous year. The prediction is that this workload will continue to increase as the town's population grows.



### Police station is a century-old house

Presently, a 108-year-old house, located in Old Town, serves as Sherwood's police station. Although it has served the City well – as our City Hall and police station – it was never designed to be a police station and has many deficiencies:

- It does not meet the Americans with Disabilities Act, which requires convenient handicapped access.
- It does not meet fire codes.
- It has inadequate wiring to support modern communication systems and data network support.
- It does not have a safe and secure prisoner intake area to hold individuals who are arrested for crimes.
- It only has one locker room that both male and female officers must share.
- It has inadequate parking for both the police and citizens.



### New station meets future law enforcement needs

The proposed 17,500-square-foot police station is designed to correct present deficiencies and provide a facility that will adequately support Sherwood's law enforcement needs for the next 20 years. It will provide space for:

- A secure evidence room
- The Patrol and Investigation Divisions
- Breathalyzer equipment for drunk drivers
- 90 parking spaces
- The Administration and Records Divisions
- Modern communication equipment
- Separate locker rooms for male and female officers
- Holding cells for individuals detained for crimes
- A multi-purpose room and a small kitchen for training and community use



### Present and future property owners would pay for bonds

The new station will cost \$3,840,000. A general obligation bond of the same amount will be presented to Sherwood voters at the November General Election. If passed, the 20-year bond will cost property taxpayers an average of \$74 per year for a \$200,000 home. The repayment plan will be structured so that future residents of Sherwood will assist in the payment of the bonds. The new station will be located near Highway 99 W, on land that is already owned by the City and will not require any cost for the acquisition of property.