

**MINUTES  
CITY OF UNION CITY  
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING  
December 13, 2005**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
  - 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Green led the flag salute
  - 1.2 Roll Call – Present: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Navarro, Mayor Green  
Absent: Councilmembers Fernandez, Valle
2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
3. **PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**
  - 3.1 Introduction of new and promoted employees  
  
Deputy City Manager Acosta introduced Jamie Echols, part-time Office Specialist in the Leisure Services Department. Administrative Services Director Digre introduced Senior Systems Analyst Martin Huarte. Police Sgt. Bizieff introduced Police Cadet's Jarron Cross and Christopher Padilla.
  - 3.2 Proclamation recognizing City Clerk Karen Diaz' achievement of Master Municipal Clerk status  
  
Mayor Green presented City Clerk Diaz with a proclamation acknowledging her achievement of Master Municipal Clerk.
4. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None
5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**  
  
Items 5.3 and 5.9 were pulled for discussion.
  - 5.1 Adopted **Resolution No. 3083A-05** reappointing Tikisa Anderson, Jo Ann Lew and Rey Sison to the Planning Commission for four-year terms ending, October 31, 2009
  - 5.2 Adopted **Resolution No. 3084-05** confirming the Planning Commissions denial of Cal Com Systems Site Development Review Application SD-07-05, Mission Boulevard, just west of the access road to the Masonic Home
  - 5.4 Adopted **Resolution No. 3085-05** authorizing an increase to the contract of the ASI for implementation of the Cognos ReportNet tool
  - 5.5 Adopted Resolution **No. 3086-05** supporting Regional Efforts to Reduce Greenhouse Gases

- 5.6 Adopted **Resolution No. 3087-05** awarding a contract for two cab & chassis for Public Works, City Project No. 05-63 to low bidder, Melrose Ford in the amount of \$37,975.07
- 5.7 Adopted **Resolution No. 3088-05** reappointing Grant of Easement for emergency vehicle access purposes entering the PSSC single-family development site from an adjacent parcel in Fremont
- 5.8 Adopted City Council **Resolution No. 3089-05** and Community Redevelopment Agency **Resolution No. 322-05** approving Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement for Legal Services with Meyers, Nave, Riback, Silver and Wilson to include Redevelopment Agency services
- 5.10 Waived second reading and adopted **Ordinance No.662-05** adding Article III to Chapter 18.105 of the Municipal Code establishing a Park Facilities Fee
- 5.11 Accepted the 2004/05 Annual Report on Sources & Uses of Developer Fees per Government Code Section 66006
- 5.12 Rejected Claim No. 656 filed by Marco A. Camacho, a minor, by and through his Guardian Ad Litem, Maria Camacho as recommended by the City's Claims Administrator
- 5.13 Rejected Claim No. 644 filed by Josephine Pelkey as recommended by staff

Motion: It was m/s by Dutra-Vernaci/Navarro to approve Consent Calendar Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.4 through 5.8 and 5.10 through 5.13 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5.3 Adopt a Resolution confirming the Planning Commission approval of the application of Duckett-Wilson Site Development Review SD-05-05, 31820 – 31848 Alvarado Boulevard

George Adas expressed concern about the public safety issues in the area of this project.

Patrick Conway, representing the property owner, advised that the applicant will continued to work with Police personnel on lighting and signage issues. He noted that the applicant would also enhance the landscaping, and said that they would address the design of the wall facing Dyer.

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Dutra-Vernaci to adopt **Resolution No. 3090-05** confirming the Planning Commission approval of the application of Duckett-Wilson Site Development Review SD-05-05, 31820 – 31848 Alvarado Boulevard. Motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Navarro, Mayor Green  
 Noes: None  
 Absent: Councilmembers Fernandez, Valle

- 5.9 Adopt Redevelopment Agency Resolution awarding a contract to ROMA Design Group to prepare conceptual design for an arts pavilion and design methods to encourage pedestrian activity in the Intermodal Station

Margaret Edgelow asked for clarification on what an arts pavilion is.

Redevelopment Agency Manager Evanoff explained the proposed concept.

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Dutra-Vernaci to adopt Community Redevelopment Agency **Resolution No. 323-05** awarding a contract to ROMA Design Group to prepare conceptual design for an arts pavilion and design methods to encourage pedestrian activity in the Intermodal Station. Motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Navarro, Mayor Green

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmembers Fernandez, Valle

## 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 6.1 Consideration of a Resolution approving Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for fiscal years 2006 through 2015

Transit Manager Lee presented the staff report and advised that the SRTP evaluates the performance of the City's transit service, documents service improvements, contains a ten-year financial plan, and provides the framework required to meet all federal, state and regional planning and programming requirements. He introduced the City's consultant Jim McLaughlin of Urbitran Associates.

Mr. McLaughlin provided the project overview which included, Review of Service Area Characteristics; Passenger and Community Surveys; Evaluation of Operating and Financial Performance; Development of Recommendations (Short and Long Term); Preparation of Service, Capital, and Financial Plans; Submit Draft SRTP; Public Comment Period; Prepare Responses to Public Comment; Public Hearing & City Council Review and Approval.

Mayor Green opened the public hearing.

Margaret Edgelow supported the increase to fifty cents for seniors and disabled persons. She suggested that the Council discuss the issue of encouraging students to utilize the bus service that could help with the declining enrollment at the high school. She requested that Council review some of the stops to be eliminated due to their high ridership. She suggested a bus stop near the new Alta Vista project.

Barry Ferrier suggested that Council look into the idea of implementing a shuttle service.

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Navarro to continue the public hearing to a Special Meeting Tuesday, January 17, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

## 7. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

### 7.1 Consideration of a Resolution appointing members of the Union City Youth Commission

Deputy City Manager Acosta read the list of nominees, which included, Gabriela Sierra, Michael Cheng, Ava Albano, Laurie Magers, Maurice Velazco, Samuel Gomez, Phong Ho, Gregory Jiang, Vanessa Johnson, Leilani Lopez, Rajiv Narayan, Candice Nguyen, Jonathan Pai, Alexis Ratcliff, and Ignacio Torres.

Recreation Program Coordinator Ariel Leary introduced the nominees present.

It was m/s by Navarro/Dutra-Vernaci to adopt **Resolution No. 3091-05** appointing members of the Union City Youth Commission to a one-year term, ending December 31, 2006 as recommended by the nominating committee. Motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Navarro, Mayor Green

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmembers Fernandez, Valle

### 7.2 Consideration of a Resolution reducing certain Commercial Recycling Rates changed by Allied Waste Services by 50%, effective January 1, 2006

Deputy City Manager Acosta introduced the staff report and stated that the Franchise Agreement approved in January 2005 set the commercial recycling rate at 50% of the solid waste collection rates. This was an estimate based on very incomplete information action the actual recycling rate local businesses were being charged. This estimate was too high and local business began complaining about the increased rates, alleging that in some cases, their costs had tripled.

Mayor Green questioned if the proposed rate schedule would be enough for the next few years.

Dutra-Vernaci asked if the new rates structure has been discussed with the commercial ratepayers.

In response to the questions, Mr. Acosta felt the new rates would cover the costs over the next few years. He said staff had not contacted the ratepayer, however, staff along with the City's consultant will continue their outreach efforts.

It was m/s by Navarro/Dutra-Vernaci to adopt **Resolution No. 3092-05** Resolution reducing certain Commercial Recycling Rates changed by Allied Waste Services by 50%, effective January 1, 2006. Motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Navarro, Mayor Green

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmembers Fernandez, Valle

## 8. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY: None

- 9. AUTHORITIES AND AGENCIES:** None
- 10. CITY COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None
- 11. PULLED CONSENT ITEMS:** Mayor Green recommended that this item be removed and that the pulled consent items be addressed after the Consent Calendar action.
- 12. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
- Margaret Edgelow spoke about the recent action concerning Route 84.
- Barry Ferrier spoke of his concern about Hall Ranch Park.
- 13. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None
- 14. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**
- 14.1 Oral reports by Councilmembers on meetings of County or Regional Boards and Commission
- No reports were given.
- 14.2 Special Meeting and Workshop schedule for January 2006 (Mayor Green)
- Mayor Green noted the additional meeting schedule in January 2006:
- January 17, 2006 - Special Meeting for the continued public regarding the Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for fiscal years 2006 through 2015.
- January 31, 2006 - Workshop on 'Ideas for Improving Inclusionary Housing' at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Ralph and Mary Ruggeri Senior Center. Confirmed to participate in the workshop are some of the panelists from the ABAG Assembly and noted professionals in the field that include, Joseph Perkins, CEO, Home Builders Association of Northern California; Mary Murtagh, President & CEO, Ecumenical Association for Housing; Dianne Spaulding, Executive Director, Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California; and Linda Mandolini, Executive Director, Eden Housing, Inc.
- 15. GOOD OF THE ORDER**
- Councilmember Navarro advised that there is an abandon car on the Masonic Home property near Decoto Road.
- 16. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mayor Green adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Diaz, MMC  
City Clerk