

**MINUTES  
CITY OF UNION CITY  
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING  
January 24, 2006**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Roll Call: Present - Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Fernandez, Navarro, Valle, Mayor Green

**II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**III. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

3.1 Mayor Green presented a proclamation expressing appreciation to Congressman Pete Stark for his assistance in securing funds for the Intermodal Station.

3.2 Mayor Green presented a proclamation expressing support for the 2006 New Tang Dynasty TV Chinese New Year Global Gala.

**IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Jacob Avila advised that he has a vending truck and that the provision of the Municipal Code prohibits him from operating in certain areas and regulates his hours of operation.

Leonor Amaya read a prepared statement concerning the process for selecting the Union City Police Officer's Associations Officer of the Year.

Atul Mitra advised that the issue concerning the red light turn signal on Whipple has been resolved and thanked Public Works Director Cheng for her assistance.

Letia England expressed concern about the recent death of a young person at Perry and Mann. She asked what is being done about youth gang violence.

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

5.1 Adopt a Resolution authorizing release of the Request for Proposal to provide Construction Management and Inspection Services for continuation of the undergrounding of utilities and other improvements on Mission Boulevard between Tamarack Drive and Decoto Road

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Valle to adopt **Resolution No. 3102-06** authorizing release of two Requests For Proposal to: (1) provide construction management and inspection services for continuation of the undergrounding of utilities and other improvements on Mission Blvd., between Tamarack Drive and Decoto Road; and (2) provide civil engineering services to form the required district for use of Rule 20A funds to complete undergrounding of utilities and related improvements from Decoto Road to the Fremont border as recommended by staff. Motion passed by the following vote:

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

- 5.2 Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of \$150,000 for defibrillators and authorize a budget increase of \$29,000 from EMS fund balance to purchase Automatic External Defibrillators for use in City facilities

Motion: It was m/s by Dutra-Vernaci/Navarro to adopt **Resolution No. 3103-06** approving the expenditure to purchase defibrillators and authorize a budget increase from the EMS budget as recommended by staff. Motion passed by the following vote:

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

## VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 6.1 Consideration of a Resolution accepting the 2005 State of California Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funding Grant in the amount of \$101,990

Police Chief Ulibarri introduced the staff report and outlined the proposed funding uses.

Mayor Green opened the public hearing.

Yolanda Triana encouraged implementation of a proactive outreach program aimed at younger children, possibly the DARE program.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Green closed the hearing.

Motion: It was m/s Navarro/Valle to adopt **Resolution No. 3104-06** accepting the 2005 State of California Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funding Grant in the amount of \$101,990 as recommended by staff. Motion passed by the following vote:

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

- 6.2 Zoning Text Amendment AT-03-05, introduction of an Ordinance amending Chapter 18.30; Sign Regulations of the Municipal Code to add clarifying language throughout the Chapter, expand the temporary sign category, and modify the criteria for selected sign types

Assistant Planner Evans introduced the staff report and outlined the amendments.

Mayor Green opened the public hearing. There being no one wishing to speak, the hearing was closed.

In response to Mayor Green's questions, Assistant Planner Evans advised that there would be no grandfathering of existing signs and the item would need to return to the Planning Commission for further action.

Director Leonard outlined a process for bringing the current illegal signs into compliance.

Councilmember Navarro addressed garage sale signs.

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Fernandez to refer Zoning Text Amendment AT-03-05 back to the Planning Commission to consider additional amendments. Motion carried unanimously.

## VII. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- 7.1 Adopt Community Redevelopment Agency Resolutions awarding contract(s) for Professional Design Services to ROMA Design Group for City Project No. 01-34, Union City Intermodal Station, Phase 1, and City Project No. 05-71, East Plaza/Transit Loop Road; and adopt City Council and Community Redevelopment Agency Resolutions authorizing execution of a Cooperation Agreement in the performance of redevelopment programs and activities within the Project Area

RDA Manager Evanoff described the key benchmarks and related activities.

Boris Dramov, ROMA Design Group said he was looking forward to working on this project and that he was on hand to answer questions.

Mayor Green expressed the need to seize every opportunity in securing the additional funds needed for phase 2 of the project.

J. J. Amaya asked if the RDA bond funds were being used to pay for these services. Staff advised that the design fees would be paid for with existing bond funds.

Motion: It was m/s by Green/Fernandez to waive full reading and adopt the following resolutions as presented and recommended by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

**Community Redevelopment Agency Resolution No. 326-06** authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Contract Agreement with ROMA Design Group for professional design services for City Project No. 01-34, Intermodal Station, Phase 1

**Community Redevelopment Agency Resolution No. 327-06** authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Contract Agreement with ROMA Design Group for professional design services for City Project No. 05-71, East Plaza/Transit Loop Road

**Community Redevelopment Agency Resolution No. 328-06** authorizing the execution of a Cooperation Agreement with the City of Union City

**City Council Resolution No. 3105-06** authorizing the execution of a Cooperation Agreement with the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Union City

VIII. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY: None

IX. AUTHORITIES AND AGENCIES: None

**X. CITY COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**XI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

JJ Amaya spoke of his concern about the three homicides over the last eight month. He referred to a report prepared by former Interim City Manager Tom Tynes outlining actions as the result of a community survey. He felt there is an increase in the number of gangs and their membership. He suggested that the 1988 contingency plan addressing the gang issue be looked at.

**XII. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**XIII. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

13.1 Oral reports by Councilmembers on meetings of County or Regional Boards and Commission

Councilmember Valle reported on the Joint School Board/Council Subcommittee Meeting, and provided an update on the library and its June bond measure.

Councilmember Navarro encouraged a Joint City Council/School Board Workshop to discuss issue of mutual concern.

**XIV. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Councilmember Navarro noted that the barrier at Dyer and Alvarado Boulevard is missing again.

Councilmember Fernandez spoke of the plan to facelift existing businesses at 4 Corners and asked if the business owners had been notified.

Councilmember Valle noted a PG&E pole on the east side of 6<sup>th</sup> Street between Decoto and H Street that need attention, and reported on the progress of the Flight 93 Memorial project. He requested a proclamation be presented to the UC Police Officer who saved the life of a person attempting to jump from the Golden Gate Bridge.

Mayor Green noted that the signal light at Regents and Union City Boulevard gives too much preference to the east/west traffic. He reported that the Youth Commission would be holding their first workshop on Sunday morning. He spoke about the recent ABAG presentation on the Avian Flu and asked that staff schedule alike presentation at a future Council meeting.

In response to Mayor Green's concerns about the Contempo development, Director Leonard advised that staff could develop action teams to address the various issues and report to Council.

Chief Ulibarri responded to Mayor Green's concern about the concentration of students from Logan High School in the BART Station/Safeway area from 3 to 4 p.m. when school lets out.

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 9:25 p.m.

**XV. CLOSED SESSION**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Pursuant to section 54956.9(b) of the Government Code  
Potential litigation: two potential cases

**CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Pursuant to section 54956.8 of the Government Code  
Property: 1100 Decoto Road, APN 087-0019-004-02  
Agency negotiator: Mark Leonard and Mark Evanoff  
Negotiating parties: TMG Partners  
Under negotiation: price and terms

**CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

Pursuant to section 54957.6 of the Government Code  
City designated representatives: Larry Cheeves, Tony Acosta, Rich Digre  
Employee organizations: Management, Professionals, Police Officers Association,  
Police Management, SEIU Local 790

The meeting reconvened in open session at 10:25 p.m., with no closed session action to report.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Mayor Green adjourned the meeting in Memory of Marine Lance Corporal Brandon Dewey, who was killed in action January 20, 2006 while on active duty in Iraq.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Diaz, MMC  
City Clerk