

**MINUTES  
CITY OF UNION CITY  
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2007  
7:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
34009 ALVARADO NILES ROAD**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Mayor Green announced a moment of silence in remembrance of the tragic events of September 11, 2001.

I.a Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Green led the salute to the flag.

I.b Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Fernandez, Valle, Vice Mayor Navarro,  
Mayor Green

Absent: None

**II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None**

**III. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

3.a Introduction of New and Promoted Employees

City Manager Cheeves welcomed the new and promoted employees and introduced Police Chief Stewart.

Police Chief Stewart introduced newly hired Police Officer Recruit's Joseph Cota and Daniel DeJong, Police Officer Robert Young, and newly promoted Police Corporal Nicole Fay and Police Sergeant Jared Rinetti.

3.b Presentation by the Superintendent of Schools, New Haven Unified School District, on Key Issues Facing the District

Superintendent Jaurequi began by thanking the City for its continued cooperation and partnership with the New Haven Unified School District. Dr. Jaurequi provided an update on the issues and challenges facing the New Haven Unified School District. Councilmembers provided comments and expressed their appreciation for Dr. Jaurequi's excellent leadership.

**IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Roy Tucker expressed various concerns regarding the police department's response to a neighborhood dispute. Police Chief Stewart responded on behalf of the police department.

## **V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Councilmember Dutra-Vernaci, seconded by Councilmember Fernandez, to approve Consent Items 5.a through 5.g, as recommended by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5.a Motion to Waive Further Reading of Proposed Ordinance (This permits reading the title only in lieu of reciting the entire text of any proposed Ordinance)
- 5.b Approved Minutes for the Special and Regular Meetings of August 28, 2007
- 5.c Approved the Second Reading and Adoption of **Ordinance No. 689-07**, commonly referred to as a "Social Host Ordinance", to reduce underage drinking by prohibiting loud or unruly gatherings where alcoholic beverages are served to, consumed by, or in the possession of underage persons; and authorizing civil fines for violations and imposing civil penalties for the recovery of costs for public safety responses to such gatherings. (Introduced August 28, 2007)
- 5.d Rejected Claim No. 711, filed by Jasprett Chug, as Recommended by the City's Claims Administrator
- 5.e Adopted **Resolution No. 3422-07** Awarding Contract for the Union City Library HVAC Equipment , City Project No. 05-44
- 5.f Adopted **Resolution No. 3423-07** of the City Council to increase budgeted revenue by \$40,000 and increase budgeted expense by \$25,000 for the Union Landing PBID (Fund 8200) for FY 07/08
- 5.g Adopted **Resolution No. 3424-07** Accepting Improvements for Temporary Parking Lot Located East of 11th Street, City Project No. 07-04

## **VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

## **VII. CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

- 7.a Analysis of Regional Fair Share Housing Allocation

Housing Coordinator Smith presented the staff report and responded to questions from Councilmembers. The City Council received the report as filed. No action was required.

## **VIII. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY - None**

## **IX. AUTHORITIES AND AGENCIES - None**

## **X. CITY COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS - None**

## **XI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - None**

## **XII. SCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATION - None**

## **XIII. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

### **13.a Oral Reports by Mayor and Councilmembers on meetings of County or Regional Boards and Commissions**

Councilmember Dutra-Vernaci reported having attended the League of California Cities annual conference where the City of Union City was presented with the Helen Putnam award for its work on the Pacific States Steel project.

Mayor Green reported Chabot College representatives had expressed an interest in securing a classroom facility in Union City.

Mayor Green reported the Waste Management Authority had awarded a \$25,000 grant to the City of Emeryville for its green landscaping design for a community park.

Mayor Green reported our state transportation improvement plan should compete favorably compared to others within the county.

## **XIV. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Councilmember Valle expressed his appreciation for the police department's response to an incident which had occurred at his residence.

Councilmember Fernandez announced that an upcoming Sister Cities trip to Thailand and the Philippines was planned for November 19 – December 2, 2007, for any Councilmembers interested in attending at their own cost and expense.

Vice Mayor Navarro inquired about the status of a proposal to provide funding for youth counseling and intervention programs. City Manager Cheeves stated Deputy City Manager Acosta would be reporting back to the Council regarding his discussions with various youth organization representatives and options for the Council to consider.

Vice Mayor Navarro stated a business owner at the 4-Corners had complained about a required change in the trash pickup schedule, resulting in more frequent pickups and increased service fees. City Manager Cheeves stated staff would look into the matter and report back.

Vice Mayor Navarro announced the Fall Festival was scheduled for September 30, 2007.

Mayor Green stated all of the cities in Contra Costa County had approved the Joint Powers Agreement forming the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority, as have all of the cities in Alameda County with the exception of Oakland and Piedmont.

Mayor Green stated a resident had complained about 7<sup>th</sup> Street construction noise and hours of construction. Community and Economic Development Director Leonard stated the construction hours had been explained to the resident. Housing Coordinator Smith stated the code allowed for construction to occur Monday - Friday from 8 am – 8 pm, on Saturday's from 9 am – 6 pm, and on Sunday's from 10 am – 6 pm, and that the builder had confirmed his

compliance with the permitted construction hours. Housing Coordinator Smith confirmed proper noticing had been provided to all neighbors.

Mayor Green adjourned the regular meeting to Closed Session at 8:05 p.m.

**XV. CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Larry Cheeves, Rich Digre, Eddie Kreisberg

Employee organizations: International Association of Firefighters, Local 1946; Management Employees

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Green adjourned the Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. in honor and in memory of the victims of September 11, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Elliott  
City Clerk