

**MINUTES FROM THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2008  
7:00 P.M.**  
Council Chambers  
34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd.  
Union City, CA 94587

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Meeting was convened at 7:04 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

Present:

Chairperson Gates-Anderson, Vice Chair Hsu, Commissioner Guio, Commissioner Nadig, Commissioner Duncan, Alternate Commissioner Cheema

Absent:

Commissioner Cabiles (Excused Absence)

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes from the January 23, 2008 meeting**

Commissioner Guio moved to approve. Commissioner Nadig seconded.  
Approved 5-0.

**IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS –**

Youth Violence Prevention Coalition member, Karen Yifru addressed the Commission.

**V. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**VI. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. ACTION ITEMS**

- Youth Violence Prevention – Discussion

Commissioner Duncan asked for a recap of the issue from the previous night's City Council Meeting. Chairperson Gates-Anderson conveyed the information.

Deputy City Manager Acosta elaborated on the Council's decision regarding the revised Public Safety Parcel Tax and moving the Intervention Services Unit from the Union City Police Department to the Union City Leisure Services Department.

- Review Draft of Revised HRC Brochure

Commissioner Duncan recalled that there was consensus amongst the Commission members that submissions for the brochure would be directed to Commissioner Guio for review and editing. Due to the high priority placed on the Youth Violence Prevention issue, no new information had been submitted by the time of the February meeting.

Suggestions for inclusion in the revised brochure: Information on Sister City, Youth Violence Prevention, Volunteer of the Year, Anniversary Celebration, Biographies on Commissioners.

Commissioner Guio requested that each Commission member take on the responsibility of compiling information on the various sections of the new brochure. Chairperson Gates-Anderson said she would compile blurbs on each commissioner, Commissioner Duncan said she would do a synopsis of Youth Violence Prevention activities, Commissioner Nadig said she would compile additional contact information, and Commissioner Guio said he would revise the Commission's history and goals.

Commissioner Nadig asked if the HRC Commissioners were provided with business cards. The commissioners agreed it would be a useful tool and DCM Acosta said that it would not be a problem to have them produced.

- Agenda from HRC Retreat 2008 – Discussion

Chairperson Gates-Anderson stated the focus of the discussion should be on the goals and objectives for 2008. She also suggested that a better time for the discussion would be following the April 8, 2008 City Council Meeting due to the HRC's emphasis on preparing the Youth Violence Prevention recommendations for presentation to Council. This would also allow Commission members time to consider additional goals and objectives for 2008.

## B. TRACKING ITEMS

- Sister Cities Update – Report by Commissioner Guio

Commissioner Guio reported that there has been very little recent activity in the Friends of Sister Cities group. He noted the Sister Cities Festival is still planned for August 16, 2008, and that there is a group of six students from Chiang Rai, Thailand coming to one of Union City's middle schools beginning March 31 (approx.) through April 24, 2008.

- Union City's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

DCM Acosta stated that there was nothing to report since there was no specific activity in the month of February.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### **IX. FUTURE AGENDA**

Action Items:

Youth Violence Prevention Funding – Discussion  
Review Draft of Revised HRC Brochure  
HRC Goals and Objectives for 2008 – Discussion

Tracking Items:

Sister Cities Update – Report by Commissioner Guio  
Union City's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

#### **X. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

#### **XI. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Commissioner Guio reminded the Commission that some members of the Youth Violence Prevention Committee would be attending the Fremont coalition meeting on Thursday, February 28, 2008, to make a presentation.

#### **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 p.m.