

**MINUTES FROM THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, May 28, 2008  
7:00 P.M.**

Council Chambers  
34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd.  
Union City, CA 94587

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Meeting was convened at 7:03 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

Present:

Chairperson Gates-Anderson, Vice Chair Hsu, Commissioner Guio,  
Commissioner Cabiles, Commissioner Duncan

Absent:

Commissioner Nadig (Excused)

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

Commissioner Duncan moved to approve. Vice Chair Hsu seconded. Approved 5-0.

**IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**V. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**VI. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

Agenda and Minutes from Fremont HRC Meeting of April 21, 2008. Also an invitation to the Annual Sister Cities Conference for July 2008

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

### A. ACTION ITEMS

- Youth Violence Prevention and Intervention – Discussion

Chairperson Gates-Anderson noted that she and Commissioner Duncan, in their capacity as Youth Violence Prevention sub-committee members, met individually with City Councilmembers Dutra-Vernaci, Fernandez and Navarro to brief them on the process used to develop the resource allocation model.

Deputy City Manager Acosta reviewed the draft RFPs/RFQs related to the consulting contracts for the Youth Violence Prevention program.

Commissioner Duncan recommended including a compensation range in the RFPs/RFQs. Chairperson Gates-Anderson suggested revising the RFPs/RFQs to clarify the work team's participation in the process.

DCM Acosta stated that advance copies of the final drafts would be forwarded to the Commission and work team before posting.

- Review Draft of Revised HRC Brochure

Commissioner Duncan raised the question of what additional sub-committees should be included in the brochure besides the Youth Violence and Sister Cities sub-committees. The list of additional sub-committees included National Night Out and Volunteer Recognition. Chairperson Gates-Anderson suggested adding a heading for “supported activities” that could include Make A Difference Day, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and the Diversity Festival.

Chairperson Gates-Anderson noted there was some prior discussion about including information on how citizens might go about becoming HRC Commissioners when seats become available. She also suggested the “Our Purpose” text should come before the “History” text.

Commissioner Duncan suggested a clarification in the “Activity” section regarding the funding of community programs so that it reads as an historical rather than an ongoing activity. Chairperson Gates-Anderson suggested a logical grouping of activities based on whether or not they are historical or current and ongoing. Commissioner Cabiles suggested having two headers, one for accomplishments and another for ongoing activities.

Chairperson Gates-Anderson recalled there was some discussion concerning dropping the titles of “Chair” and “Vice Chair” from the brochure. Commissioner Guio suggested dropping all titles, since the column header already reads, “Commissioners”.

- Work Session with City Council - Discussion

DCM Acosta suggested the best way to arrange a joint meeting with the City Council would be to propose a joint worksession immediately prior to a regularly scheduled Council Meeting.

Chairperson Gates-Anderson stated her preference for a stand-alone joint meeting on Tuesday, June 17, 2008. Commissioner Duncan supported the recommendation. The "fall back" date would be Tuesday, June 10, 2008, prior to the Council Meeting that evening. Failing those two dates, Chairperson Gates-Anderson suggested Tuesday, July 8, 2008, prior to the Council Meeting.

DCM Acosta noted the character of the proposed joint meeting would be greatly influenced by the June 3<sup>rd</sup> election results concerning Measure K and also the final disposition of the 911 Fee imposed by the City on all phone lines in Union City.

- Continuing Contact with Fremont and other local HRCs – Discussion

Chairperson Gates-Anderson stated she had found information on the internet for the City of Hayward's Human Services Commission, Alameda County's Human Relations Commission and the Community Relations Service for Northern California. Commissioner Guio stated that he has attended some meetings of the Fremont HRC's "We All Belong" program and suggested future attendance by HRC Commissioners would be a good way to stay involved with the other communities.

- National Night Out 2008 - Discussion

Commissioner Cabiles reported she had been contact by UCPD Officer Czar Valdenzuela who had requested the HRC's support for National Night Out. The UCPD would like to appear on a future agenda to present this year's planned activities for National Night Out. DCM Acosta suggested that it would be a good idea to decide now on whether or not to fund this year's National Night Out effort due to the approaching Fiscal Year end. Chairperson Gates-Anderson asked if the UCPD had requested a particular amount of funding and Commissioner Cabiles responded they had asked for \$2500 for this year's program (for promotional items).

Chairperson Gates-Anderson moved to allocate \$2500 to UCPD for promotional items and that the UCPD be invited to address the Commission prior to this year's National Night Out in August. Commissioner Guio seconded. Approved 5-0.

**B. TRACKING ITEMS**

- Sister Cities Update – Report by Commissioner Guio

Commissioner Guio reported on the visit by the delegation from Thailand. He also mentioned the Northern California chapter board meeting of Sister Cities International will be held in Union City on Saturday, July 26, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ruggieri Senior Center. DCM Acosta related information about the visiting delegation from China on July 8, 2008, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sister City Festival to be held at the Ruggieri Center on Sunday, August 10, 2008.

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

DCM Acosta reported on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration presentation from the previous night's Council Meeting.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**IX. FUTURE AGENDA**

Action Items:

Youth Violence Prevention and Intervention – Discussion  
National Night Out Briefing by UCPD – Report (July 2008)  
Final Review Draft of Revised HRC Brochure  
Continuing Contact with Fremont and other local HRCs – Discussion  
Briefing on Brown Act – Information (presentation by City Attorney)

Tracking Items:

Sister Cities Presentation – Information (Pat Gacoscos) [July 2008]  
Union City's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – Report of all activities (Helen Kennedy) [August 2008]

**X. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**XI. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Commissioner Guio reported on the Asian American Heritage Festival held in Union City.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.