

**MINUTES FROM THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2009
7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
34009 Alvarado-Niles Rd.
Union City, CA 94587**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Meeting was convened at 7:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present:

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

Absent:

Commissioner Nadig (Excused)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes from the May 27, 2009 meeting

Commissioner Guio moved to approve. Commissioner Gates-Anderson seconded.

Approved 6-0.

IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

VI. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes and Agendas from the Fremont Human Relations Commission June 2009.

VII. PRESENTATION - HRC web pages presented by Union City Webmaster
Roberto Munoz

Although Roberto Munoz was not present, a short discussion regarding the HRC's pages on the City's website ensued. Commissioner Cheema volunteered to meet with Roberto to discuss updating the HRC pages on the City's website. Chairperson Duncan suggested putting the HRC brochure on the website. Commissioner Guio suggested one of the HRC commissioners could be tasked with editing the HRC's content on the City website.

Chairperson Duncan again directed this item be placed on the next agenda.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. ACTION ITEMS

- Youth Violence Prevention and Intervention – Updates

Deputy City Manager Tony Acosta stated that by late July, there should be three new employees and two consultants on the YVPI staff. Offer letters for a case manager, youth employment coordinator and bilingual intervention counselor would be mailed out on June 25, 2009. If the offers are accepted, these positions should be filled within two to four weeks. Interviews for the lead street outreach worker are scheduled for July 1, 2009.

- Prevention Programs – Follow Up/Youth Commission Contact

Chairperson Duncan reported that she did not make contact with the Youth Commission due to the fact that school is out. The YC will be contacted in September 2009 when the commission reconvenes.

- Employment Opportunities through UCLS – Brief by Leisure Services Staff

DCM Acosta reported the majority of hiring for the Leisure Services Department takes place in April of each year. Some additional hiring is done, as needed, in September of each year.

- National Night Out/Make A Difference Day 2009 - Discussion

DCM Acosta reported that it is unknown whether or not there will be any participation in MADD 2009 due to budget considerations. If there is a state take-away of the City's gas tax, there will definitely not be any participation.

The UCPD COPPS Program is currently on "life support" pending an infusion of grant money from the federal government. DCM Acosta said he would check in with Chief Stewart for the current status and would forward that information to the commission.

TRACKING ITEMS

- UC50th Celebration – Update

DCM Acosta reported on the UC50th InterFaith Festival scheduled for Saturday, June 27, 2009.

- Sister City Committee – Update

Commissioner Guio reported the Sister Cities Festival is scheduled for August 23, 2009 at the Ruggieri Center.

DCM Acosta reported the delegation from Hang Zhou will not be visiting due to concerns about the Swine Flu outbreak.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. FUTURE AGENDA

Action Items:

Youth Violence Prevention and Intervention – Presentation by Stuart Wakeling
National Night Out / Make A Difference Day – Updates and Alternatives

Tracking Items:

UC50th Celebration – Update
Sister City Committee - Update

XI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Meenu Gupta from the Tri-City Voice announced that she was now covering Union City in place of Simon Wong.

XII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Duncan reported on the Comcast interview done with the LOWV regarding YVPI.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.