

**MINUTES
CITY OF UNION CITY
CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY WORK SESSION
June 9, 2005**

Mayor Green called the work session to order at 7:10 p.m.

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor Green led the flag salute.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Councilmembers Fernandez, Navarro, Valle, Vice Mayor Dutra-Vernaci, Mayor Green
- III. **ORAL COMMUNITIIONS** – None
- IV. **WORK SESSION**

A. Review and discussion of the proposed 2005/06 and 2006-07 Operating Budgets

Administrative Services Director, Rich Digre provided an overview of the budget packet. Department Directors presented their respective operating budgets.

Council recessed to a break at 9:20 p.m. and reconvened at 9:38 with all Councilmembers present.

John Haley spoke of the major project at the Masonic Home to build independent living units that could affect the planning department. He also spoke of the need for Fire Department to provide outreach programs for businesses, if not already doing so, the possible increase in insurance premiums for liabilities associated with the new gym and Turk Island, the importance of adequate funds for public works, and the community garden.

Jaime Jaramillo asked that Council support the additional funding for Centro de Servicios.

Mike Sweeney requested that Council allocate funds to Spectrum who assists low-income seniors.

Steven Mendez spoke in support of funding for Centro de Servicios.

Ignacio Mendez, Youth Committee, requested that the recommended funding of \$12,000 be increased by \$5000 per year to help fund a newsletter, the intergenerational event; and the teen festival.

George Adas suggested enhancements to Neighborhood Watch program.

Chris Carra, representing Filipinos for Affirmative Action, asked that the Council keep the youth in mind when allocating funding.

Councilmember Fernandez left the dais at 10:24 p.m. and returned at 10:28 p.m.

Council commented on their thoughts for funding allocations.

B. Review and discussion of the proposed Redevelopment Agency Budget for Fiscal Year 2005/06 and Fiscal Year 2006-07

Agency Executive Director Larry Cheeves introduced the Agency budget packet.

V. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Green adjourned the work session at 10:37p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Diaz, CMC
City Clerk