

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

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2008
7:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
34009 ALVARADO-NILES ROAD**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

I.b Roll Call

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

Absent: None

II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Bruce Vance, President of Union City Police Officers Association, expressed support for a public safety measure.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR - None

IV. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

4.a Adoption of a Resolution Calling a General Municipal Election to be held November 4, 2008 for Voter Consideration of Either a Continuation of Existing Public Safety Services Tax Ordinance, or an Increase of the Public Safety Services Tax; Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda to Consolidate the General Municipal Election with the General Election to be held on November 4, 2008, Requesting Certain Services of the Registrar of Voters of Alameda County with Respect to the Consolidated General Municipal Election; Authorizing the Filing of an Impartial Analysis; and Authorizing the Appropriation of Funds to Pay for the Cost to Consolidate the General Municipal Election with the General Election

Deputy City Manager Acosta presented the revised staff report, distributed as a desk item, and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Ramiro Gomez and Eduardo Orozco expressed support for violence prevention programs.

Karen Yifru spoke about her deceased son and expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Araceli Orozco expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Mary Schlarb requested support for youth violence prevention programs.

Michelle Carranza expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Forrest Patterson expressed opposition to an ongoing parcel tax.

Jerico Abanico expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Todd Benson, representing COR, expressed support for a ballot measure that would include youth violence prevention programs.

Merlyn and Evelyn Jimenez expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Nataly Gomez expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Chris Cara expressed support for a measure that would include \$500,000 in funding for youth violence prevention programs.

Raymond Rodriguez expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Gertrude Cochero expressed opposition to a 10 year parcel tax.

Marilyn Abrahams expressed support for a 6 year renewal of the current parcel tax.

Samuel Gomez expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Mr. Afonso expressed opposition to funding for youth violence prevention programs, and expressed support for a renewal of the current parcel tax.

Diane Gates-Anderson, Chair of the Human Relations Commission, expressed support for including youth violence prevention programs in the ballot measure.

Maria Nieves expressed support for youth violence prevention programs.

Gary Singh spoke about having attended National Night Out, the importance of safety to community members, and expressed support for a ballot measure to fund ongoing public safety services.

Carissa Purnell expressed support for youth violence programs.

Laura Silva expressed support for youth violence programs.

Danieka expressed support for youth violence programs.

Lupe expressed support for youth violence programs.

Ms. Jimenez expressed support for youth violence programs.

Barry Ferrier expressed support for the original parcel tax plus \$500,000 for youth violence prevention programs.

Josh James Charles expressed support for youth violence programs.

In response to a question from Vice Mayor Fernandez, Mr. Afonso again expressed his opposition to including funding for youth violence prevention programs.

Councilmembers provided comment.

It was moved by Councilmember Valle, seconded by Mayor Green, to approve the wording of the proposed Ordinance, amending Title 3, Chapter 3.20 (Ordinance No. 622-04) of the City of Union City Municipal Code Concerning the Existing Public Safety Services Excise Tax, as modified to include an eight (8) year period and 2% cap on annual CPI adjustments.

Ayes:	Councilmembers Navarro and Valle, Mayor Green
Noes:	Councilmember Dutra-Vernaci, Vice Mayor Fernandez
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

Mayor Green recessed the meeting at 8:50 p.m. to allow staff sufficient time to incorporate the changes made to the draft ordinance, and to revise the wording of the proposed resolution.

Mayor Green reconvened the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

It was moved by Councilmember Valle, seconded by Mayor Green, to adopt **Resolution No. 3686-08** Calling a General Municipal Election to be Held on November 4, 2008, for Voter Consideration of Continuation and Expansion of an Existing Public Safety Services Tax Ordinance; Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda to Consolidate the General Municipal Election with the General Election to be Held on November 4, 2008, Requesting Certain Services of the Registrar of Voters of

Alameda County with Respect to the Consolidated General Municipal Election; and Authorizing the Filing of an Impartial Analysis.

Ayes: Councilmembers Navarro and Valle, Vice Mayor Fernandez, Mayor Green
Noes: Councilmember Dutra-Vernaci
Absent: None
Abstain: None

V. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY - None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Green announced there was no reportable action from the Closed Session held earlier this evening.

Mayor Green adjourned the special meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Elliott
City Clerk