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CITY OF UNION CITY / SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETING

GARY SINGH, Mayor
SCOTT SAKAKIHARA, Vice Mayor (District 4)
LANCE NISHIHARA, Councilmember (District 1)
JAMIE PATIÑO, Councilmember (District 2)
JEFF WANG, Councilmember (District 3)

Tuesday, June 10, 2025 | 7:00 PM

City Hall - Tom Kitayama City Council Chambers
34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, CA 94587

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Singh called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. He announced that Councilmember Wang was participating remotely via teleconference, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, and that his location had been properly noticed in accordance with the Brown Act.

1.2. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Present
Councilmember Nishihira	Yes
Councilmember Patiño	Yes
Councilmember Wang	Yes (Remote)
Vice Mayor Sakakihara	Yes
Mayor Singh	Yes

Mayor Singh noted that the City Council held a closed session prior to the regular meeting. He reported that no reportable actions were taken during the session.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were none.

3. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

3.1. Proclamation Recognizing June 15, 2025, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Mayor Singh read the proclamation aloud and presented it to Senior Citizens Commissioner Begin. She briefly made remarks afterward.

3.2. Proclamation Recognizing June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth

Mayor Singh read the proclamation aloud and presented it to Human Relations Commission Chair Wms-Smith. She briefly made remarks afterward.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Singh opened Oral Communications. The following speakers spoke during Oral Communications.

Soorya Aamaraju
Anthony Mitchel

There being no further speakers, Mayor Singh Closed Oral Communications.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Patiño requested that Consent Calendar Item 5.4 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Motion: Approve the Consent Calendar Items 5.1 – 5.3, 5.5, and 5.6.

RESULT: Pass

MOVER: Vice Mayor Sakakihara

SECONDER: Councilmember Nishihira

AYES: Councilmembers Nishihira, Patiño, Wang, Vice Mayor Sakakihara, and Mayor Singh

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

5.1. Approve the May 27, 2025 City Council Special Study Session Action Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

5.2. Approve the May 27, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting Action Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

5.3. Approve the June 3, 2025 City Council Special Study Session Action Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes.

5.4. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Mayor's Appointment of Anita Roque to the Senior Citizens Commission as an Alternate Commissioner

Councilmember Patiño pulled the item for separate consideration.

5.5. Adopt a Resolution Approving a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Funded by SB-1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

A motion was made to adopt the resolution.

Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2025-078

5.6. Waive Further Reading and Adopt an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Union City Designating Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones

A motion was made to adopt the resolution.

Enactment No.: Ordinance No. 2025-003

5.4. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Mayor's Appointment of Anita Roque to the Senior Citizens Commission as an Alternate Commissioner

Councilmember Patiño briefly made brief remarks.

Motion: Adopt a resolution approving the mayor's appointment of Anita Roque to the Senior Citizens Commission as an Alternate Commissioner.

RESULT: **Pass**

MOVER: Councilmember Patiño

SECONDER: Councilmember Nishihira

AYES: Councilmembers Nishihira, Patiño, Wang, Vice Mayor Sakakihara, and Mayor Singh

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Enactment No.: Resolution No. 2025-079

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

7. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

7.1. Introduction of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Union City Approving and Re-Adopting a Military Equipment Use Policy as Stated in Chapter 2.62 "Military Equipment Use Policy" of the Union City Municipal Code; and Review of 2024 Annual Military Equipment Report in Compliance with Assembly Bill 481

Police Lieutenant Shansab provided a staff presentation to the Council and responded to questions from council members.

Mayor Singh opened Public Comment. Seeing no speakers, Mayor Singh closed Public Comment.

Motion: Introduce an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Union City approving and re-adopting a Military Equipment Use Policy as stated in Chapter 2.62 "Military Equipment Use Policy" of the Union City Municipal Code; and review of 2024 Annual Military Equipment Report in compliance with Assembly Bill 481.

RESULT: **Pass**

MOVER: Councilmember Patiño

SECONDER:	Councilmember Nishihira
AYES:	Councilmembers Nishihira, Patiño, Wang, Vice Mayor Sakakihara, and Mayor Singh
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

7.2. Adopt a Resolution Amending the Norms and Guidelines for Boards, Commissions, and Committees; Waive Full Reading and Introduce by Title Only an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Union City Amending Section 2.20.040 “Commissioner Attendance Standards” and Section 2.20.100 “Ethics/AB 1234 Training Requirements” of the Union City Municipal Code Related to Commission Standards

City Attorney Kokotaylo and City Clerk Pham provided staff presentation and responded to questions from the council members.

Mayor Singh opened Public Comment. Seeing no speakers, Mayor Singh closed Public Comment.

Motion: Adopt resolution amending the Norms and Guidelines for Boards, Commissions, and Committees and waive full reading and introduce by title only an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Union City Amending Section 2.20.040 “Commissioner Attendance Standards” and the Section 2.20.100 “Ethics/AB 1234 Training Requirements” of the Union City Municipal Code related to Commission Standards.	
RESULT:	Pass
MOVER:	Vice Mayor Sakakihara
SECONDER:	Councilmember Patiño
AYES:	Councilmembers Nishihira, Patiño, Wang, Vice Mayor Sakakihara, and Mayor Singh
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

Enactment Nos.: Resolution No. 2025-080

There were none.

9. AUTHORITIES AND AGENCIES

There were none.

10. CITY COMMISSION / COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were none.

11. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

Councilmember Patiño reported that on May 29, he participated in the League of California Cities Nominating Committee meeting. As Chair of the Governance, Transparency, and Labor Relations Policy Committee for League of California Cities, he also met with the committee's lobbyist and vice chair to plan for the upcoming policy committee meeting on June 13. He added that a legislative update from Cal Cities is scheduled for June 11.

Vice Mayor Sakakihara reported that an ad hoc committee of the Ava Community Energy Board met to discuss a contract amendment. He noted that the meeting was not subject to the Brown Act due to the lack of a quorum and that there was no reportable action until the matter was presented to the full board. He also announced upcoming meetings of the Housing Authority of the County of Alameda and the Parks and Recreation Commission scheduled for June 11.

Councilmember Nishihira reported that he was unable to attend the May 28 Human Relations Commission meeting due to a family event. He noted that there has not been a meeting of the Legislation and Policy Committee since the last council update. He attended his first Chamber of Commerce meeting on May 29 but had no significant items to report.

Councilmember Wang had nothing to report.

Mayor Singh reported that he attended the Alameda County Transportation Commission meeting on June 10 in Oakland. He shared that since 2018, there has been ongoing discussion regarding maintenance responsibilities for the I-580 and I-680 express lanes. The commission approved a contract and will now proceed to bid out the work.

12. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Councilmember Patiño reported that on May 29, several members of the City Council and staff attended the Carmel Pointe by Nuvera Homes celebration located on Carmel Way. He also participated in the Building and Construction Trades Awards Dinner on June 6 in Oakland at the Lake Merritt Sailboat House. He noted that former Interim Mayor and current Oakland Councilmember Kevin Jenkins was one of the awardees and that Supervisors Marquez, Haubert, and Bass were in attendance.

Vice Mayor Sakakihara stated that the Revenue and Taxation Committee of the League of California Cities will meet on June 12. He noted that the meeting will be held virtually.

Councilmember Nishihira had no report.

Mayor Singh reported that he attended the grand opening of the homes of Carmel Pointe by Nuvera Homes celebration located on Carmel Way. He noted that the homes are selling quickly, which is positive news for the City in terms of increased property tax revenue.

Councilmember Wang joined remotely and mentioned that he would provide a more detailed report regarding his sister cities visit upon his return.

13. CLOSED SESSION

There were none.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Singh adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Union City on June 24, 2025.

/s/Thai Nam Pham, MMC, CPMC
City Clerk