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CITY OF UNION CITY
HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

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TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDED
PROCEEDINGS

Jefferson Elementary School
3400 Palisade Avenue
Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
Commencing at 6:03 p.m.

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MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
TILO E. RIVAS, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: This is a Regular
2 Public Meeting of the Union City Board of
3 Commissioners being held on Tuesday, December
4 19th, 2017, at six p.m., at Jefferson Elementary
5 School, 3400 Palisade Avenue, Union City, New
6 Jersey.

7 Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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9 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
10 said by all.)
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12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: This meeting has been
13 called in accordance with the Open Public
14 Meetings Act.

15 Adequate notice of the meeting has been
16 provided to The Jersey Journal, The Record, and
17 The Hudson Reporter, and has been posted on the
18 bulletin board in City Hall and made available to
19 the public in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.
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21 **ROLL CALL:**
22

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Fernandez?

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

1 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Here.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

5 Martinetti?

6 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

8 MAYOR STACK: Here.

9

10 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
11 action on the following item:

12 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES FROM**
13 **DECEMBER 5, 2017.)**

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15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: The first item on the
16 agenda is the Approval of the Meeting Minutes
17 from December 5th, 2017.

18 May I have a motion to approve the meeting
19 minutes?

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by --

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- Commissioner
24 Martinetti.

25 Second by Commissioner Valdivia.

1 Commissioner Fernandez?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

4 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

8 Martinetti?

9 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

11 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

12

13 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
14 action on the following item:

15 **ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:**

16 1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY,
17 COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE
18 SUM OF \$75,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE CAPITAL
19 IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION AND
20 INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERAS AT CITY HALL.)

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22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have two Ordinances
23 on for Introduction this evening.

24 Adoption on the first reading will
25 authorize the Municipal Clerk to advertise the

1 Ordinance with the date and time of the public
2 hearing and adoption.

3 The Ordinance will be further considered at
4 the meeting of the Board of Commissioners being
5 held on January 2nd, 2017 -- 2018, --

6 I apologize.

7 -- at Roosevelt School, 4705 Hudson Avenue,
8 Union City, New Jersey.

9 The first Ordinance is an Ordinance of the
10 City of Union City, County of Hudson, New Jersey,
11 Appropriating the Sum of 75,000 in Funding from
12 the Capital Improvement Fund for the Acquisition
13 and Installation of Security Cameras at City
14 Hall.

15 May I have a motion to introduce?

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
18 Valdivia.

19 Second?

20 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Second.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
22 Rivas.

23 Commissioner Fernandez?

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

1 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

5 Martinetti?

6 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

8 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

9

10 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
11 action on the following item:

12 **ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:**

13 2. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT
14 TITLE AND POSSESSION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY
15 SITUATED IN TAX BLOCK 42, LOT 9 OWNED BY THE
16 UNION CITY PARKING AUTHORITY AND LOCATED WITHIN
17 THE CITY OF UNION CITY, COUNTY OF HUDSON AND
18 STATE OF NEW JERSEY BE ACQUIRED BY GIFT.)

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20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: The second is an
21 Ordinance Authorizing and Directing that the
22 Title and Possession of Certain Real Property
23 Situated in Tax Block 42, Lot 9 Owned by the
24 Union City Parking Authority and Located Within
25 the City of Union City, County of Hudson and

1 State of New Jersey be Acquired by Gift.

2 May I have a motion adopt -- or may I have
3 a motion to introduce?

4 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

6 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
8 Martinetti.

9 Commissioner Fernandez?

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

12 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
16 Martinetti?

17 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

19 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

20

21 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
22 action on the following items in total:

23 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

24 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims

25 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of

1 Concurring Claims

2 (3) Resolution Approving the Payment of Escrow
3 Refunds

4 (4) Resolution Approving the City Payroll for
5 the Period of December 9, 2017 through December
6 22, 2017

7 (5) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll
8 for the Period of December 9, 2017 through
9 December 22, 2017

10 (6) Resolution Authorizing the Deputy Clerk to
11 Advertise for Bids for the 2018 Landscape
12 Maintenance Program - Contract A

13 (7) Resolution Authorizing the Deputy Clerk to
14 Advertise for Bids for the 2018 Landscape
15 Maintenance Program - Contract B

16 (8) Resolution Authorizing the Deputy Clerk to
17 Advertise for Bids for the Replacement of the
18 Park Capstones at Firefighters' Memorial Park

19 (9) Resolution Approving Contracts for Snow
20 Plowing/Snow Removal Services for 2017-2018

21 (10) Resolution Approving the Submission of a
22 Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of
23 Transportation for Various Street Improvements

24 (11) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
25 Contract for Wrestling Supplies and Equipment to

1 Stan's Sport Center for 2018

2 (12) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
3 Contract for Soccer Equipment to Universal
4 Sporting Goods for 2018

5 (13) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
6 Contract for Special Counsel on Commercial
7 Litigation Matters for the City of Union City to
8 Cohen, Seglias, Pallas, Greenhall and Furman PC
9 for 2017-2018

10 (14) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
11 Redemption Monies to Outside Lienholders

12 (15) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
13 Premium Monies Collected at the Tax Sale

14 (16) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of a
15 Duplicate Payment

16 (17) Resolution Rescinding Lien Imposed on the
17 Property Known as 2015 Summit Avenue, Union City,
18 New Jersey 07087, Block 107, Lot 7, for Tenant
19 Relocation Costs.)

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21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: There are 17 items on
22 the Consent Agenda.

23 The first is a Resolution Approving the
24 Payment of Claims.

25 The second is a Resolution Approving the

1 Payment of Concurring Claims.

2 The third is a Resolution Approving the
3 Payment of Escrow Refunds.

4 The fourth is a Resolution Approving the
5 City Payroll for the Period of December 9th, 2017
6 through December 22nd, 2017.

7 The fifth is a Resolution Approving the
8 Library Payroll for the Period of December 9th,
9 2017 through December 22nd, 2017.

10 The sixth is a Resolution Authorizing the
11 Deputy Clerk to Advertise for Bids for the 2018
12 Landscape Maintenance Program, Contract A.

13 The seventh is a Resolution Authorizing the
14 Deputy Clerk to Advertise for Bids for the 2018
15 Landscape Maintenance Program, Contract B.

16 The eighth is a -- eighth is a Resolution
17 Authorizing the Deputy Clerk to Advertise for
18 Bids for the Replacement of Park Capstones at
19 Firefighters' Memorial Park.

20 The ninth is a Resolution Approving the
21 Deputy Clerk to Advertise --

22 I'm sorry.

23 The ninth is a Resolution Approving the
24 Contracts for Snow Plow and Snow Removal Services
25 for 2017-2018.

1 The tenth is a Resolution Approving the
2 Submission of a Grant Application to the New
3 Jersey Department of Transportation for Various
4 Street Improvements.

5 The eleventh is a Resolution Authorizing
6 the Award of a Contract for Wrestling Supplies
7 and Equipment to Stan's Sport Center for 2018.

8 The twelfth is a Resolution Authorizing the
9 Award of a Contract for Soccer Equipment to
10 Universal Sporting Goods for 2018.

11 The thirteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
12 the Award of a Contract for Special Counsel on
13 Commercial Litigation Matters for the City of
14 Union City to Cohen, Seglias, Pallas, Greenhall
15 and Furman PC for 2017-2018.

16 The fourteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
17 the Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside
18 Lienholders.

19 The fifteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
20 the Refund of Premium Monies Collected at the Tax
21 Sale.

22 The sixteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
23 the Refund of Duplicate Payment.

24 The seventeenth is a Resolution Rescinding
25 Lien Imposed on Property Known as 2015 Summit

1 Avenue, Union City, New Jersey, Block 107, Lot 7,
2 for Tenant Relocation Costs.

3 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
4 public comment on Consent Agenda?

5 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

6 Anyone wishing to comment on the Consent
7 Agenda, please step forward, state your name and
8 address for the record.

9 Just for the public's knowledge, a lot of
10 this stuff with the maintenance of the -- of the
11 parks, the landscaping are very important in
12 maintaining what we have.

13 On number 8, the Replacement of the Park
14 Capstones at Firefighters' Memorial Park, water
15 had seemed to have gotten in over the -- since
16 the park was renovated back in '09 and it cracked
17 some of the capstones. So we're just trying to
18 maintain what we have; hopefully be able to fill
19 it in so that we don't have this problem
20 happening going forward.

21 The snow removal services and the snow
22 plowing services are in the event that we got a
23 major snowstorm -- we needed assistance.

24 On the Resolution Approving -- for various
25 street improvements, that's additional grant

1 applications we're putting in with the DOT to see
2 if we can get additional money where we continue
3 to maintain and upgrade our infrastructure.

4 And the rest of it, I just would like to
5 once again commend the Commissioners on the
6 various -- each Department on the work that we're
7 trying to get done in improving the City.
8 Whether it's in Parks. Whether it's in Public
9 Affairs with the events. Whether it's in
10 Margie's department with the -- with the finances
11 or in Tilo's department with the Public Works,
12 they've done a great job, each Commissioner.

13 And just when it comes to Public Works,
14 even with the snow that we've had already this
15 year -- I know we had a couple small snow events
16 -- they're out there immediately salting the
17 streets, laying a layer of salt even before it
18 snows trying to keep the City safe.

19 So I thank them for that.

20 And I thank all the employees in each of
21 the departments for the great job that they're
22 doing.

23 On number 17, --

24 I'm sorry; you could strike that.

25 Anyone -- any further -- anyone have any

1 further comment on the Consent Agenda, please
2 step forward, state your name and address for the
3 record.

4 Seeing none.

5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
6 close public comment?

7 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
9 Valdivia.

10 Second?

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: By Commissioner
13 Fernandez.

14 Commissioner Fernandez?

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

17 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
21 Martinetti?

22 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

24 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion

1 to approve all items on the Consent Agenda?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

3 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Motion.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
5 Valdivia.

6 Second by Commissioner Rivas.

7 Commissioner Fernandez?

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

9 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

10 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
14 Martinetti?

15 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: I'm recusing on
16 number 1, any payments to Adolfo Lopez.

17 Aye on the rest.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

19 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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21 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
22 action on the following item:

23 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

24 1. Resolution to Approve a Payment of Claim to
25 the Union City Board of Education.)

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2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have two items on
3 the Regular Agenda.

4 The first item is a Resolution to Approve
5 the Payment of Claims to the Union City Board of
6 Education.

7 MR. AUTERI: Ordinarily Commissioner
8 Valdivia would not vote on Board of Education
9 matters. However, tonight we're invoking the
10 doctrine of necessity.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
12 approve item on the Regular Agenda?

13 Motion?

14 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

16 Second by Commissioner Rivas.

17 Commissioner Fernandez is recusing.

18 Commissioner Rivas?

19 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti
23 is recusing.

24 Mayor Stack?

25 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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2 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
3 action on the following item:

4 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

5 2. Resolution to Approve a Payment of Claims
6 to the Hudson County Improvement Authority.)

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8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: The second item on the
9 -- is -- on the Regular Agenda is a Resolution to
10 Approve a Payment of Claims to the Hudson County
11 Improvement Authority.

12 May I have a motion to approve?

13 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

14 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.
15 Second by Commissioner Valdivia.

16 Commissioner Fernandez?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas is
19 recusing.

20 Commissioner Valdivia?

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
23 Martinetti?

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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3 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
4 action on the following item:

5 **ORDINANCES FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION**

6 **CONSIDERATION:**

7 1. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 58-2 ENTITLED
8 "CONSUMPTION PROHIBITED IN PUBLIC PLACES" TO ALSO
9 PROHIBIT OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOL IN PUBLIC
10 PLACES.)

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12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have one Ordinance
13 for Adoption tonight.

14 It's an Ordinance Amending Chapter 58-2
15 entitled Consumption Prohibited in Public Places
16 to Also Prohibit -- Prohibit Open Containers of
17 Alcohol in Public Places.

18 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
19 public comment on this Ordinance?

20 MAYOR STACK: If -- if you could just maybe
21 explain it, --

22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Sure.

23 MAYOR STACK: -- Erin, that would be good.

24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: So, currently in the
25 Code there is -- there is a prohibition against

1 public drinking. We're just cleaning up the
2 language to also include the words open container
3 as well; that wasn't included prior.

4 So it's just really just cleaning up the
5 Code to make it consistent.

6 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment on
7 this Ordinance at this time please step forward,
8 state your name and address for the record.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can I ask one
10 question?

11 Open containers is without a cap or it can
12 be half drunk with a cap on?

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: So, --

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I mean -- just how
15 specific is it?

16 MAYOR STACK: Want the Chief to explain it?

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Yes.

18 MAYOR STACK: Chief?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: How specific is
20 it, Chief? An open beer can? Or is it a bottle
21 of a wine that has a cork?

22 Like is that --

23 CHIEF MOLINARI: If it has a seal on it,
24 it's a closed container.

25 So an open container would be a beer bottle

1 that has the screw off or a tab like that; that
2 would be an open container. If it's -- as we
3 discussed previously.

4 If it's a wine bottle that has a cork in
5 it, then it's a sealed -- it would be a sealed
6 container.

7 This applies -- this allows the Police
8 where even in municipal court sometimes has a
9 problem with somebody not actually seeing
10 somebody taking a drink. If you're in possession
11 of a bottle of beer in the street, clearly you're
12 drinking from it, it has no cap on it.

13 So this just makes it easier for municipal
14 --

15 MAYOR STACK: Right.

16 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- court to enforce the
17 laws.

18 Again, it's all about quality of life.
19 That's what we're trying to enhance, quality of
20 life; just deter somebody from walking the
21 streets with an open container.

22 MAYOR STACK: What about -- what about a
23 bottle of wine, Chief? Would that be the same?

24 CHIEF MOLINARI: For the Commissioner, I
25 think he'll be okay.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, come on.

2 Wasn't asking for me.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: No, Chief, that's a
4 good explanation.

5 Because I could be walking around with the
6 beer open but you don't see me take a sip --

7 CHIEF MOLINARI: Exactly.

8 MAYOR STACK: Right.

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: -- but I'm stopped
10 and --

11 CHIEF MOLINARI: Exactly.

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: -- I was drinking
13 before.

14 CHIEF MOLINARI: Exactly.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I always do.

16 Just joking. Just joking. Just joking.

17 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to -- anyone
18 wishing to comment at this time?

19 Seeing none.

20 Okay.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
22 close public comment?

23 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

24 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Motion.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

1 Second by Commissioner Rivas.
2 Commissioner Fernandez?
3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.
4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?
5 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.
6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?
7 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.
8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
9 Martinetti?
10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.
11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?
12 MAYOR STACK: Yes.
13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
14 adopt?
15 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.
16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.
17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by
18 Commissioner Martinetti.
19 Second by Commissioner Valdivia.
20 Commissioner Fernandez?
21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.
22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?
23 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.
24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?
25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
2 Martinetti?

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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7 **OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

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9 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor, at this time,
10 would you like to take public comment on any
11 item concerning government in Union City?

12 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

13 We'll take public comment; then we'll do
14 the liquor; and then we'll go to the
15 presentation.

16 Right?

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Yes.

18 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment at
19 this time, please step forward, state your name
20 and address for the record.

21 None at this time.

22 Mr. Farmer, you prepared?

23 MR. FARMER: Yes.

24 MAYOR STACK: Want to just close the public
25 portion --

1 MR. FARMER: Well, waiting --

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Yes.

3 MR. FARMER: -- one matter on the --

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: One second, Mr. Farmer,
5 I'm sorry.

6 MR. FARMER: Sure.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
8 close the public comment?

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by --

12 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- Commissioner
14 Valdivia.

15 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

16 Commissioner Fernandez?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

19 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
23 Martinetti?

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Okay.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS:

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3 1. Lee Entertainment

4 t/a Fantasy Night Club

5 Location: 416-418 43rd Street

6 License No. 0910-33-072-007

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8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you, Mr. Farmer.

9 MAYOR STACK: Mr. Farmer, you want to go
10 into Closed Session for five minutes or -- to
11 speak to us at all?

12 Or --

13 MR. FARMER: No, --

14 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

15 MR. DILLON: Can you -- Mr. Farmer, can you
16 come speak --

17 MR. FARMER: Oh, I'm sorry, I didn't see
18 it.

19 My apologies.

20 MR. DILLON: That's okay.

21 MR. FARMER: We only have one matter on and
22 that's Fantasy.

23 Mr. Diaz, who's in Honduras, represents
24 them. So I would just ask that --

25 MAYOR STACK: He's been away quite a bit.

1 MR. FARMER: Yes he does.

2 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

3 MR. FARMER: It's -- maybe it's part of
4 the --

5 MAYOR STACK: When -- when will he be back?

6 MR. FARMER: I think -- quite frankly, I
7 think he's coming back tonight.

8 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

9 All right, we'll put it on when, for the
10 next meeting then?

11 MR. FARMER: Yeah, the 2nd.

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1 **DISCUSSION:**

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3 MAYOR STACK: How we doing with the rest of
4 the -- the rest of the schedule?

5 How much of a backlog do we have now?

6 MR. FARMER: We just have two cases; this
7 one and another one.

8 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

9 MR. FARMER: And I have to tell you the
10 factual patterns of both of them are somewhat
11 sketchy.

12 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

13 MR. FARMER: But that's all we have. We
14 only have two cases.

15 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

16 MR. FARMER: It's the good work of the
17 Chief.

18 MAYOR STACK: Absolutely. I agree.

19 MR. FARMER: He has -- he has policed the
20 neighborhood so that there are no ABCs to -- to
21 really speak of.

22 CHIEF MOLINARI: No open containers of
23 wine.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Staying for
25 another ten years.

1 Right?

2 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Greg.

3 MR. FARMER: Okay.

4 All right.

5 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

6 MR. FARMER: And just for sake of the
7 bottle ordinance that everybody --

8 MAYOR STACK: I was just going to -- I was
9 just going --

10 Why don't you just maybe update the
11 Commissioners. Just take a couple minutes and
12 just update us on that.

13 MR. FARMER: Okay.

14 MAYOR STACK: What we're looking to do.

15 MR. FARMER: There's --

16 Well, what we're looking to do --

17 MAYOR STACK: And if the Chief wants to add
18 anything in.

19 MR. FARMER: -- is to see to it that
20 bottled beer is not sold after ten o'clock and
21 two o'clock at closing.

22 We have an expert who is very knowledgeable
23 in the State ABC; a retired gentleman who is head
24 of the special investigation and --

25 MAYOR STACK: Just if you could keep your

1 voice up --

2 MR. FARMER: -- and also --

3 MAYOR STACK: -- just a little bit.

4 MR. FARMER: -- has been involved with
5 professional teams and their policy of serving
6 beer; not giving somebody a bottle but pouring it
7 into a cup. And we're going to try to mirror
8 that.

9 We've also -- and the Mayor has it, we've
10 gone through a study of about the last ten years
11 of people being hit by bottles, bottles thrown,
12 Police coming and finding broken bottles and
13 everything and we're drafting an ordinance.

14 And Angelo has done a great job with
15 putting together the thought process that we want
16 and has laid out an ordinance that will get us to
17 the goal we want to get and the pathway to get
18 there.

19 So I envision -- we had a meeting earlier
20 this week and we went over the expert's report.
21 We're tinkering with that. As well as Angelo's
22 making some last minute amendments to the
23 ordinance. And I would anticipate presenting
24 that to you so that you can start the process
25 either on October (sic) 2nd or the latest, October

1 (sic) 16th. We're shooting for two weeks from
2 today.

3 And I would just like to say if we do pass
4 this, I anticipate that there will be a contest
5 levied against us from the retailer's association
6 or whatever. Because although you go to places
7 and you see bottles poured into cups and cups
8 given to customers, there is not one city in New
9 Jersey that has this kind of ordinance.

10 So if we do adopt it, it will be the first
11 one in New Jersey. And, so --

12 MAYOR STACK: I think -- I think it's a
13 step in the right direction though. Especially
14 for public safety.

15 I mean we saw a couple weeks ago --

16 MR. FARMER: Absolutely.

17 MAYOR STACK: -- we saw a young child get
18 hit -- I think it was a little girl, got hit by a
19 bottle coming out of that liquor store in a fight
20 --

21 MR. FARMER: Right. Right.

22 MAYOR STACK: -- that took place and it
23 came right out.

24 MR. FARMER: Right.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: You're not --

1 | you're not denying the bottle where they could
2 | pour it from the back of the bar --

3 | MAYOR STACK: Right.

4 | MR. FARMER: Yes.

5 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: -- into the cup and
6 | they serve the cup like that.

7 | MR. FARMER: Right.

8 | Just like if --

9 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: I'm not saying
10 | there's no problem --

11 | MR. FARMER: -- you go to a sporting event.

12 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yeah, same thing.
13 | Yeah.

14 | MR. FARMER: Yeah.

15 | MAYOR STACK: In sporting -- in sporting
16 | events they have that automatically, right, that
17 | you can't bring a --

18 | MR. FARMER: Yeah.

19 | MAYOR STACK: -- bottle in.

20 | MR. FARMER: Yeah. Get -- not -- can't
21 | bring a bottle in and when they serve it --

22 | COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: They serve it in
23 | a cup.

24 | MR. FARMER: Yeah.

25 | And -- and what we're talking about here is

1 not --

2 MAYOR STACK: I mean that alone right
3 there, that's got to help us, too.

4 MR. FARMER: I'm hoping it will.

5 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

6 MR. FARMER: I'm hoping it will.

7 MAYOR STACK: And no -- no place in -- that
8 you know of in the tri-State area has ever done
9 this?

10 MR. FARMER: No. As a matter of fact Erin
11 was good enough to reach out to the League of
12 Municipalities --

13 MAYOR STACK: Right.

14 MR. FARMER: -- earlier this week to try to
15 find out if there was any other town in New
16 Jersey that has a similar ordinance. And none --
17 none.

18 MAYOR STACK: I think once we do this
19 though you'll see other towns follow. Because
20 you -- you read -- I mean if you read some of the
21 other newspapers on the weekend, you'll -- you'll
22 read about bar fights where somebody got cut by a
23 bottle, a bottle was broken over somebody's head.

24 MR. FARMER: Um-hum. Um-hum.

25 MAYOR STACK: It becomes a weapon.

1 MR. FARMER: Yes.

2 MAYOR STACK: You know? Becomes a weapon.

3 MR. FARMER: Yeah. So I anticipate the
4 testimony -- the Police position is they're in
5 favor of this ordinance. And that will be
6 presented by, I think, Lieutenant Loaces.

7 And we have an expert who -- whose
8 credentials are impeccable saying that, yes, for
9 public safety and within the Police power --
10 power --

11 MAYOR STACK: That will go on for the next
12 meeting?

13 MR. FARMER: I'm trying to make it for the
14 -- for the 2nd.

15 Well, if we do it, the -- the 2nd -- if we
16 get the ordinance ready for the 2nd, that will be
17 just introduced. You're not going to take any
18 testimony.

19 MAYOR STACK: No, no, no. Yeah, exactly.

20 MR. FARMER: And then the next one they
21 advertise in the next one.

22 And you know along that line, I would not
23 be surprised -- maybe we should think this
24 through -- that you may have a lot of people
25 showing up. You know?

1 So, we --

2 MAYOR STACK: A lot of the liquor owners?

3 MR. FARMER: I would think so.

4 MAYOR STACK: For the hearing?

5 MR. FARMER: Yeah. Yeah.

6 And -- and that process is just like Board
7 of Adjustment. People can get up and say what
8 they want --

9 MAYOR STACK: The thing that -- the thing I
10 don't --

11 MR. FARMER: Not really a cross-
12 examination.

13 MAYOR STACK: The part I don't understand
14 is why would it matter if you were served in a
15 cup, as opposed to a bottle?

16 Why?

17 I mean I don't --

18 MR. FARMER: I think they're going to tell
19 you. I think they're going to tell you that
20 their clientele likes bottles. The beer tastes
21 better in bottles. We've been doing it for a
22 long period of time.

23 I think -- you know, you go to a place and
24 they ask you if you want a glass or a bottle.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: No, they have that

1 system too where they sell the bottles. You know
2 you buy ten beers for a certain price.

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: (Indiscernible).

4 MAYOR STACK: Do -- do they serve beer --

5 I mean I don't go to bars or -- but --

6 MR. FARMER: Um-hum.

7 MAYOR STACK: Maybe I should.

8 MR. FARMER: Well, --

9 MAYOR STACK: But --

10 MR. FARMER: -- obviously, --

11 MAYOR STACK: -- but do they still serve on
12 tap?

13 MR. FARMER: -- obvious--

14 MAYOR STACK: They do, right?

15 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yeah, they do.

16 MAYOR STACK: They still serve on tap and
17 everything, right?

18 MR. FARMER: Well, --

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Very few.

20 MR. FARMER: -- you look at it this way,
21 obviously this job has not driven you to drink.

22 MAYOR STACK: Right.

23 But they do, right? They still serve on
24 tap and stuff, right?

25 MR. FARMER: Oh, sure.

1 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Just the glass.

2 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Could I ask you a
4 question?

5 MAYOR STACK: What about if they want to
6 serve --

7 Let me ask you this question. What if they
8 come back and say they're not -- that they want
9 to be able to serve it --

10 Like right now if somebody gets a mixed
11 drink, --

12 MR. FARMER: Um-hum.

13 MAYOR STACK: -- it's in a glass, right?

14 MR. FARMER: Yes.

15 MAYOR STACK: So, you're going to say it
16 has to go into like a cup -- a paper cup?

17 Or --

18 MR. FARMER: Well, we --

19 MAYOR STACK: -- or a plastic cup?

20 MR. FARMER: -- we -- we've talked about
21 that and as Angelo's indicating, it's not going
22 to be just a paper cup. It's going to be
23 anything other than a bottle really.

24 MR. AUTERI: Right. So we're limiting it
25 right now to certain size bottle. I think we're

1 -- we're talking about 32 ounces and less.

2 So those are going to be regular 12 ounce
3 bottles. The -- the small bottles of beer.
4 Everything just under a wine bottle. So, wine
5 will be okay.

6 And then I want to remind everybody that
7 this is only ten p.m. and after. So, if a retail
8 establishment wants to continue to buy cases of
9 beer the way that they did, they can do that, and
10 they can serve it in the bottle before ten p.m.

11 MAYOR STACK: And they --

12 Okay, right.

13 MR. AUTERI: It's only after ten p.m. that
14 the tables will have to be cleared and then the
15 service of the bottles are done.

16 The glasses will be fine for now. Because
17 the evidence is showing us now that it's the beer
18 bottles that are the issue. If we have to --

19 MAYOR STACK: Maybe what we should do is we
20 should write a letter to all of them. You know,
21 get a letter out to everyone, telling them when
22 -- once we -- once we introduce it, let them know
23 when the hearing's going to be and explain to
24 them the reasons why we're doing it and give them
25 the opportunity to come and comment.

1 At least they, you know, they got a chance
2 to come out and comment on it. That -- that will
3 be important. But put the reasons in -- real
4 detailed reasons, maybe bullet points. The Chief
5 could maybe help and John could help us with that
6 and the Captain. They could help us get that
7 out.

8 And just explain to them why we're doing it
9 and where we're going to have the hearing. And
10 if we don't have a big enough place, -- if that
11 hearing is not at a -- like in a smaller place,
12 maybe we'll switch the meeting for that one to
13 put it more in the center of the City in a larger
14 facility so they can come and comment.

15 MR. FARMER: And just following up on
16 Angelo's point, it's going to be from ten to two.
17 Or that's the --

18 MAYOR STACK: Right.

19 MR. FARMER: -- proposal. Because we found
20 that going over the history of disturbances at
21 bar with beer bottles, it happens as the end of
22 the evening.

23 MAYOR STACK: Right.

24 MR. FARMER: It's not happening at five
25 o'clock in the afternoon.

1 MAYOR STACK: This happens toward the end
2 of the night, right?

3 MR. FARMER: Yes.

4 MAYOR STACK: Right.

5 MR. FARMER: Okay? So that's -- that's it.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Now what happens
7 in a situation where you -- someone like
8 Commissioner Valdivia said they order a bucket,
9 12 beers for 20 bucks, whatever it is?

10 MR. AUTERI: Right. So, if --

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And they have a
12 bucket. They order at ten of -- five of ten and
13 then you guys come in at 11 o'clock and observe a
14 bucket; there's just one person drinking?

15 MR. AUTERI: Same amount of alcohol, have
16 to pour it out of the bottle. Or they can also
17 do plastic bottles. They have aluminum bottles
18 now. You know, there's alternatives to it.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: But they have cans,
20 too, right?

21 MR. AUTERI: Cans, too. Yeah.

22 MR. FARMER: But the upshot of it's going
23 to be that after ten o'clock there won't be any
24 bottles either at the tables or at the bar on the
25 licensed premises.

1 CHIEF MOLINARI: Keep in mind, also, when
2 they sell a bucket a beer it then disallows the
3 person who's selling it to see who's now
4 consuming it.

5 So if I sell a bucket of beer of ten beers,
6 I don't know what table it's going to and I don't
7 know if the individual who's now drinking it is
8 already inebriated.

9 So this serves us also because --

10 MAYOR STACK: It does.

11 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- we often find that --

12 MAYOR STACK: Better believe it.

13 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- taking these ten
14 bottles and bringing it to the back and not
15 knowing who's drinking it, --

16 MAYOR STACK: I agree.

17 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- it takes that one and
18 one.

19 Because the server has a responsibility by
20 the law --

21 MAYOR STACK: Good point.

22 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- to ensure he's not
23 serving to somebody --

24 MAYOR STACK: That's a good point.

25 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- who's intoxicated.

1 So this serves us in another way also about
2 that. And, again, after ten o'clock.

3 We've considered a lot of factors here and
4 I think at the end of the day public safety is
5 going to be the main paramount reason for this.

6 But I don't think we're really going to
7 take away from any of the owners the opportunity
8 to tend to their bar, tend to make money.

9 At the end all their doing is taking that
10 beer, putting it into a plastic cup and serving
11 it. That's really what it comes down to.

12 MAYOR STACK: And -- and, Chief, you make a
13 good point. That's a good point.

14 And also it protects the owner of the
15 establishment --

16 CHIEF MOLINARI: Absolutely. Who doesn't
17 know --

18 MAYOR STACK: -- in the situation.

19 CHIEF MOLINARI: Right, doesn't know where
20 it's going.

21 MAYOR STACK: Something like that, very
22 briefly, needs to be described in what we mail
23 out to them so they don't think we're just taking
24 away their right. Because you'll have all kinds
25 of rumors.

1 It's better for us to send something out
2 and explain it and then say we want you to come
3 to the hearing.

4 Because once you and Greg and whoever else
5 you have -- the Captain or the Lieutenant, once
6 you explain it, I think people are going to
7 understand.

8 CHIEF MOLINARI: Agreed.

9 MAYOR STACK: It's for their own
10 protection.

11 CHIEF MOLINARI: And we factored in a lot
12 of --

13 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

14 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- things.

15 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

16 CHIEF MOLINARI: We factored in people who
17 like to drink their wine in --

18 MAYOR STACK: Exactly.

19 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- a glass.

20 MAYOR STACK: Exactly.

21 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- We factored in the
22 mixed drinks.

23 MAYOR STACK: Exactly.

24 CHIEF MOLINARI: I think we came to, you
25 know, a public safety concern --

1 MAYOR STACK: Exactly.

2 CHIEF MOLINARI: -- that needs to be
3 addressed and we left everything else, you know,
4 available to them.

5 MAYOR STACK: Exactly.

6 CHIEF MOLINARI: So, --

7 MAYOR STACK: Because you think about it,
8 if I'm drinking at the bar with Greg and Greg
9 gets mad and takes the bottle and hits me over
10 the head, you're on the hook as the licensee.

11 You know?

12 CHIEF MOLINARI: Absolutely.

13 MAYOR STACK: Not that Greg would do that
14 to me.

15 MR. FARMER: No, --

16 MAYOR STACK: Maybe --

17 MR. FARMER: -- I would not do --

18 I won't even bite the hand that feeds me.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: I think Mr.
20 Farmer -- (indiscernible).

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: What happened to
22 his arm?

23 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Let me -- let me --

24 MR. FARMER: I tripped and fell.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: -- let me ask a

1 question.

2 MR. FARMER: Yeah.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Do we still in the
4 bar -- do we still have pool tables where they
5 serve liquor?

6 CHIEF MOLINARI: Pool tables?

7 MR. FARMER: Pool tables in bars? Yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Okay. No, I was
9 just asking.

10 MR. FARMER: Yeah.

11 That's the next thing to go.

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yeah because that's
13 a -- that's a weapon. The owner --
14 (indiscernible).

15 MR. FARMER: There's always a fight on the
16 pool table.

17 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

18 Thanks, Greg. Thank you for --

19 I hope you feel better, Greg.

20 MR. FARMER: Thank you.

21 MAYOR STACK: Chief, thank you.

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1 **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

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3 UNION CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION TO ANA
4 CAMPOVERDE OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY IN
5 CONTINUED SUPPORT OF BREAST CANCER AWARENESS AND
6 RESEARCH

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8 MAYOR STACK: Okay, now we're ready --
9 we're ready for the presentation?

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Yes.

11 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have a Special
13 Presentation by the Union City Police Department
14 to Ana Campoverde at the American Cancer Society
15 in Continued Support --

16 MAYOR STACK: I think --

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- with Breast Cancer
18 Awareness --

19 MAYOR STACK: I think --

20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- and Research.

21 MAYOR STACK: I think Mercedes is here,
22 too, from the Board of Ed.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Oh.

24 And Mercedes Joaquin from the Board of Ed
25 is also here for the presentation.

1 MAYOR STACK: I think the Board of Ed and
2 the Police are doing it together.

3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Yes.

4 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

5 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
6 proceedings.)

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Whoever is speaking, if
8 you could just move over to the microphone
9 please.

10 Thank you.

11 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
12 proceedings.)

13 SERGEANT SCARDINO: Mayor, Commissioners,
14 this past October, the Union City Police
15 Department with a handful of members -- Captain
16 Luster, Officer Molina (phonetic), Special
17 Sinatra (phonetic), Officer -- (indiscernible) --
18 Denise Mendez (phonetic) went out with the
19 permission of the Mayor and me, of course, to
20 raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness.

21 This is our third year on being active
22 raising money for the Cancer Society. This year,
23 as you see Mayor, the Department raised over
24 \$6,000.00 for the Breast Cancer Awareness.

25 MAYOR STACK: Excellent.

1 SERGEANT SCARDINO: As I am I'm a firm
2 believer of -- of people being acknowledged for
3 what they do here. Day one that's what I've been
4 doing.

5 So I have the first two plaques, Mayor.
6 One is for yourself from the Union --

7 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

8 SERGEANT SCARDINO: -- for allowing us to
9 have the Blue Drive to raise money for the Breast
10 Cancer Awareness.

11 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much. Thank
12 you, Chris.

13 (Applause.)

14 SERGEANT SCARDINO: The second plaque is
15 for our Chief, Richard Molinari, also allowing us
16 to -- to sell and wear pink items on our uniforms
17 to raise money for breast cancer.

18 Chief, on behalf of the Union.

19 (Applause.)

20 SERGEANT SCARDINO: Also, Mayor, I guess me
21 being the -- the advocate for the Cancer Society,
22 I make sure people acknowledge again, through
23 Breast Cancer Awareness Society. So I
24 recommended certain people to be honored through
25 the Society also.

1 So, Mayor, also Cancer Society nominated
2 you.

3 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

4 Thank you, Chris.

5 Thank you very much.

6 SERGEANT SCARDINO: Chief, also.

7 MAYOR STACK: That's very nice.

8 SERGEANT SCARDINO: Captain Luster, also.

9 Special Sinatra.

10 Denise Mendez.

11 Arlene (phonetic).

12 And Steve (phonetic).

13 Mayor, again, thank --

14 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much, Chris.

15 SERGEANT SCARDINO: I appreciate your help.

16 Thank you.

17 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

18 Thank you, Chris.

19 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
20 proceedings while photographs were taken.)

21 MS. JOAQUIN: Good evening.

22 I'm from the Board of Education -- the
23 Union City Board of Education. And we want to
24 present the American Cancer Society with the
25 amount of \$6,638.79.

1 This is -- this from our efforts collected
2 by our staff and the students for Breast Cancer
3 Awareness.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you.

5 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

6 MR. DILLON: Excuse me?

7 (Applause.)

8 MR. DILLON: Can I have your name?

9 MS. JOAQUIN: Mercedes Joaquin.

10 MAYOR STACK: Also, --

11 MS. JOAQUIN: Mercedes Joaquin, --

12 MAYOR STACK: -- everyone I'm sure will
13 be --

14 MS. JOAQUIN: -- Director of --

15 MAYOR STACK: -- happy to know --

16 MS. JOAQUIN: -- Community Relations, --

17 MAYOR STACK: -- many of you probably know
18 it already, the Governor yesterday --

19 MS. JOAQUIN: -- Union City Board of
20 Education.

21 MR. DILLON: Thank you.

22 MAYOR STACK: -- signed legislation that
23 was introduced by Senator Weinberg and myself to
24 dedicate one percent of all tobacco -- cigarette
25 sales, tobacco sales in New Jersey to the

1 initiative to stop smoking -- to get people to
2 stop smoking.

3 We tried to make it a higher percentage; we
4 were able to agree, between the Assembly and the
5 Senate, one percent.

6 So one percent is a start. Hopefully down
7 the road we can raise that one percent to maybe
8 ten percent of all proceed sales.

9 If I had my way a pack of cigarettes would
10 be a hundred dollars. Nobody should be smoking.

11 Thank you very much, everyone.

12 And great job to the Police Department and
13 to the Board of Education for this great
14 initiative.

15 Congratulations.

16 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
17 proceedings.)

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19 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: At this time we have no
22 other items on the agenda.

23 May I have a motion to adjourn?

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
2 Valdivia.

3 Second?

4 Second by Commissioner Rivas.

5 Commissioner Fernandez?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

8 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

9 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

12 Martinetti?

13 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

14 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

15 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you.

17 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

18 Thank you, everyone.

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20 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded

21 at 6:32 p.m.)

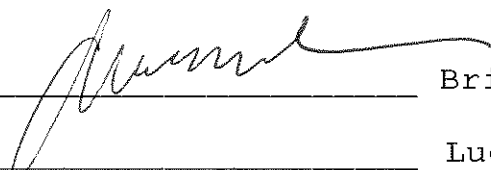
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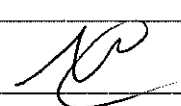
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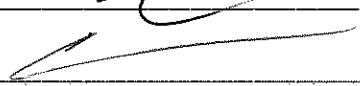
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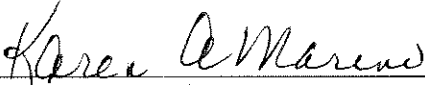
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