

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

REGULAR MEETING : TRANSCRIPT OF
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BRUCE D. WALTER RECREATION CENTER
507 West Street
Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, February 20, 2024
Commencing at 7:07 p.m.

M E M B E R S P R E S E N T:

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WENDY A. GRULLON, COMMISSIONER
MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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1 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was
2 recited.)

3 MS. ROSARIO: This is a regular public
4 meeting of the Union City Board of Commissioners
5 being held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at
6 7:00 p.m. at the Bruce D. Walter Recreation
7 Center, 507 West Street in Union City.

8 This meeting has been called in
9 accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
10 Adequate notice of this meeting has been forwarded
11 to The Jersey Journal and The Record, has been
12 posted on the bulletin board in the City Hall, and
13 has been made available to the public in the
14 office of the municipal clerk.

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16 **ROLL CALL:**

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18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Fernandez.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

21 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Here.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

23 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

25 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

1 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

2 MAYOR STACK: Here.

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4 **PRESENTATION ON CLEAN ENERGY PLAN:**

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6 MS. ROSARIO: The first item on the
7 agenda is a PowerPoint presentation for the City
8 Community Energy Plan.

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10 (Presentation on the Community Energy
11 Plan by Dan Hauben, P.P., from DMR Architects.)

12

13 MAYOR STACK: Thank you for the
14 presentation, I appreciate it. Does anyone have
15 any questions for the consultant? Seeing none,
16 thank you again for your comments and the
17 presentation. Thank you for the all work you've
18 be doing. Hilda.

19

20 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

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22 MS. ROSARIO: Next item is approving the
23 meeting minutes for January 23, 2024, and
24 February 6, 2024. May I have a motion to approve?

25

MAYOR STACK: Motion.

1 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
2 Stack.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
5 Valdivia.

6 Commissioner Fernandez.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

9 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

11 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

13 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

15 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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17 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
18 action on the following items in total:

19 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

20 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims.

21 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of
22 Concurring Claims.

23 (3) Resolution Approving the Escrow Refunds.

24 (4) Resolution Approving the City Payroll From
25 January 20, 2024 to February 2, 2024.

1 (5) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll
2 From January 20, 2024, Through February 2, 2024.

3 (6) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Premium
4 Monies Collected At the Tax Sale.

5 (7) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption
6 Monies to Outside Lienholders.

7 (8) Resolution Cancelling Abatement Taxes.

8 (9) Resolution to Apply and Obtain a Grant From
9 the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs For
10 \$1,270,000.00 to Carry Out a Project to Develop a
11 Youth Soccer Field At 4100 Palisade Avenue.

12 (10) Resolution Approving Interlocal Services
13 Agreement Between the Union City Public Library
14 and the City of Union City For Payroll Services.

15 (11) Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Police
16 Canine BOMM to His Handler, Union City Police
17 Sergeant Sergio DeRojas.

18 (12) Resolution Appointing Rebecca Colditz to
19 Serve As Qualified Purchasing Agent For the City
20 of Union City.

21 (13) Resolution Authorizing Extraordinary and
22 Unspecifiable Services Contract For Risk
23 Management Consultant Services For the City of
24 Union City For 2024.

25 (14) Resolution Authorizing Extraordinary and

Unspecifiable Contract For Codification Services
For 2024.

(15) Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the
Donation From the Silvio Laccetti Foundation of a
Commemorative Sundial to Be Installed in Ellsworth
Park in the City of Union City.

(16) Resolution Authorizing the Receipt of Bids
For 2024 Road Resurfacing Program.

(17) Resolution Authorizing the Receipt of Bids
For 2024 Tree Trimming Program.

(18) Resolution Authorizing Contract For Pools
and Spray Grounds Opening, Maintenance, and
Closing For 2024.

(19) Resolution Authorizing Contract With
Matera's Nursery For the Purchase of Flowers and
Related Items For 2024.

(20) Resolution Authorizing Contract For Plumbing
Services For the City of Union City For 2024.

(21) Resolution Authorizing Payment to A&J
Contractors Group, Inc., For Emergency Repairs to
Block Wall At 600 17th Street.

(22) Resolution Authorizing Payment to A&J
Contractors Group, Inc., For Emergency Repairs At
48th Street and Park Avenue in the City of Union
City.

1 (23) Resolution Authorizing Payment to A&J
2 Contractors Group, Inc., For Emergency Sidewalk
3 Repairs At Various Locations Throughout the City
4 of Union City.

5 (24) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
6 Lien on the Property Known As 2300 Bergenline
7 Avenue, Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block 127,
8 Lot 1, in the City of Union City For Emergency
9 Repair Costs.

10 (25) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
11 Lien on the Property Known As 509 28th Street,
12 Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block 54, Lot 42 in
13 the City of Union City For Emergency Repair Costs.

14 (26) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
15 Lien on the Property Known As 512 27th Street,
16 Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block 154, Lot 6 in
17 the City of Union City For Emergency Repair Costs.

18 (27) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
19 Lien on the Property Known As 4717 Park Avenue,
20 Also Known As 101 48th Street, Union City, New
21 Jersey 07087, Block 279, Lot 10, in the City of
22 Union City For Emergency Repair Costs.

23 (28) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
24 Lien on the Property Known As 140 47th Street,
25 Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block 278, Lot 2 in

1 the City of Union City For Emergency Repair Costs.

2 (29) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
3 Lien on the Property Known As 2200 Bergenline
4 Avenue, Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block 124,
5 Lot 1 in the City of Union City For Emergency
6 Repair Costs.)

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8 MS. ROSARIO: There are 29 items on the
9 consent agenda.

10 One, resolution approving the payment of
11 claims.

12 Two. Resolution approving the payment
13 of concurring claims.

14 Three, resolution approving the escrow
15 refunds.

16 Four, resolution approving the city
17 payroll from January 20, 2024 to February 2, 2024.

18 Five, resolution approving the library
19 payroll from January 20, 2024, through February 2,
20 2024.

21 Six, resolution authorizing the refund
22 of premium monies collected at the tax sale.

23 Seven, resolution authorizing refund of
24 redemption monies to outside lienholders.

25 Eight, resolution cancelling abatement

1 taxes.

2 Nine, resolution to apply and obtain a
3 grant from the New Jersey Department of Community
4 Affairs for \$1,270,000.00 to carry out a project
5 to develop a youth soccer field at 4100 Palisade
6 Avenue.

7 Ten, resolution approving interlocal
8 services agreement between the Union City public
9 library and the City of Union City for payroll
10 services.

11 Eleven, resolution authorizing the sale
12 of police canine BOMM to his handler, Union City
13 Police Sergeant Sergio DeRojas.

14 Twelve, resolution appointing Rebecca
15 Colditz to serve as qualified purchasing agent for
16 the City of Union City.

17 Thirteen, resolution authorizing
18 extraordinary and unspecifiable services contract
19 for risk management consultant services for the
20 City of Union City for 2024.

21 Fourteen, resolution authorizing
22 extraordinary and unspecifiable contract for
23 codification services for 2024.

24 Fifteen, resolution authorizing the
25 acceptance of the donation from the Silvio

1 Laccetti Foundation of a commemorative sundial to
2 be installed in Ellsworth Park in the City of
3 Union City.

4 Sixteen, resolution authorizing the
5 receipt of bids for 2024 road resurfacing program.

6 Seventeen, resolution authorizing the
7 receipt of bids for 2024 tree trimming program.

8 Eighteen, resolution authorizing
9 contract for pools and spray grounds opening,
10 maintenance, and closing for 2024.

11 Nineteen, resolution authorizing
12 contract with Matera's nursery for the purchase of
13 flowers and related items for 2024.

14 Twenty, resolution authorizing contract
15 for plumbing services for the City of Union City
16 for 2024.

17 Twenty-one, resolution authorizing
18 payment to A&J Contractors Group, Inc., for
19 emergency repairs to block wall at 600 17th
20 Street.

21 Twenty-two, resolution authorizing
22 payment to A&J Contractors Group, Inc., for
23 emergency repairs at 48th Street and Park Avenue
24 in the City of Union City.

25 Twenty-three, resolution authorizing

1 payment to A&J Contractors Group, Inc., for
2 emergency sidewalk repairs at various locations
3 throughout the City of Union City.

4 Twenty-four, resolution authorizing the
5 placement of a lien on the property known as 2300
6 Bergenline Avenue, Union City, New Jersey 07087,
7 Block 127, Lot 1, in the City of Union City for
8 emergency repair costs.

9 Twenty-five, resolution authorizing the
10 placement of a lien on the property known as 509
11 28th Street, Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block
12 54, Lot 42 in the City of Union City for emergency
13 repair costs.

14 Twenty-six, resolution authorizing the
15 placement of a lien on the property known as 512
16 27th Street, Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block
17 154, Lot 6 in the City of Union City for emergency
18 repair costs.

19 Twenty-seven, resolution authorizing the
20 placement of a lien on the property known as 4717
21 Park Avenue, also known as 101 48th Street, Union
22 City, New Jersey 07087, Block 279, Lot 10, in the
23 City of Union City for emergency repair costs.

24 Twenty-eight, resolution authorizing the
25 placement of a lien on the property known as 140

1 47th Street, Union City, New Jersey 07087, Block
2 278, Lot 2 in the City of Union City for emergency
3 repair costs.

4 Twenty-nine, resolution authorizing the
5 placement of a lien on the property known as 2200
6 Bergenline Avenue, Union City, New Jersey 07087,
7 Block 124, Lot 1 in the City of Union City for
8 emergency repair costs.

9 Mayor, at this time would you like to
10 take public comment on the consent agenda?

11 MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to
12 comment on the consent agenda, please step
13 forward, state your name and address for record.
14 This is just on the consent agenda.

15 MR. TRUTH: Yes. Hello, Mayor, and
16 everybody. I'm Leroy Truth, of course -- I'm
17 waiting for Mayor Stack to be ready.

18 MAYOR STACK: You can go.

19 MR. TRUTH: No, no, this is actually for
20 you. So I'm going to wait until you're ready.

21 (Audience interruption.)

22 MAYOR STACK: Everyone, please.
23 Everyone, please, let him speak, please.

24 MR. TRUTH: All right. And this has to
25 do with the resolution approving the payment of

1 claims. And a few questions for you, Mayor Stack.
2 For clarification, are you the police director?
3 These are actual questions that a regular human
4 being would respond with an answer.

5 MR. AUTERI: The board's not required to
6 provide a response.

7 MR. TRUTH: What's the point of these
8 meetings if there's public comment if you're
9 saying he's not required to respond?

10 MAYOR STACK: Just let it --

11 MR. TRUTH: He's an elected official,
12 I'm a member of the public.

13 Now, Mayor Stack, you're responsible for
14 hiring, promotions, demotions and discipline, is
15 that correct, as police director? Instead he's
16 reading Playboy Magazine or whatever he has there.

17 Another question. As the public safety
18 director, do you believe you have the
19 responsibility to safeguard the public?

20 MR. AUTERI: The comments should be
21 limited to the items on the consent agenda.

22 MAYOR STACK: Angelo, he's out of order.
23 We're off the consent agenda.

24 MR. TRUTH: I have a specific --

25 MAYOR STACK: -- out of order.

1 MR. AUTERI: Sir, this is --

2 MAYOR STACK: He's out of order.

3 MR. AUTERI: Sir, this --

4 MR. TRUTH: The respect --

5 MR. AUTERI: Sir, there's a public
6 comment session after this.

7 MAYOR STACK: Sir, you know, this is the
8 consent agenda.

9 MR. TRUTH: Mayor, I was attacked two
10 meetings ago --

11 (Audience interruption.)

12 MR. AUTERI: This is public comment on
13 the consent agenda.

14 (Audience interruption.)

15 MAYOR STACK: Please.

16 MR. TRUTH: This is my time.

17 MAYOR STACK: This is the consent
18 agenda.

19 MR. TRUTH: This is my five minutes.

20 MR. AUTERI: No. This is for the
21 consent agenda.

22 MR. TRUTH: Take control of the meeting.

23 MAYOR STACK: Consent agenda.

24 MR. AUTERI: This is for the consent
25 agenda only.

1 MR. TRUTH: Justin Mercado attacked me
2 two meetings ago in full view --

3 (Audience interruption.)

4 MR. TRUTH: -- he robbed me in front of
5 you and he needs to be fired immediately. Will
6 you, all you commissioners, I'm talking with you
7 here, will you immediately fire Justin Mercado who
8 attacked and assaulted me in front of the Mayor,
9 who did absolutely nothing? Will you immediately
10 terminate Justin Mercado?

11 MAYOR STACK: You are off the consent
12 agenda.

13 MR. TRUTH: I am on the people's agenda,
14 sir.

15 MAYOR STACK: This is the consent
16 agenda, you're out of line. You're out of order.

17 MR. TRUTH: In front of you Mayor Stack.
18 (Audience interruption.)

19 MR. AUTERI: Sir, we have another public
20 comment after this.

21 MR. TRUTH: Are you going to take
22 control of this meeting, Mayor Stack?

23 MAYOR STACK: Please, everyone, please.

24 MR. TRUTH: This is disrespect --

25 MAYOR STACK: Everyone, please, please.

1 MR. TRUTH: Why did you allow Justin
2 Mercado, who attacked, assaulted, and robbed me,
3 which I'm releasing the video tomorrow, showing
4 this, the security footage. You allowed him to
5 flee the scene of the crime. Mayor Stack, why are
6 you ignoring the questions from the public? This
7 is so disgusting. You need to -- in fact, I'm
8 going to call for your resignation right now. You
9 are disrespecting we, the people --

10 (Audience interruption.)

11 MR. TRUTH: -- I call for your
12 resignation right now. And I'll be happy to put
13 it on my YouTube channel. I've never seen
14 something so incredibly un-American as you are
15 acting now, Mayor Stack. You're just hiding
16 behind this, you're a coward. You let a crime
17 occur, you watched a crime occur, Justin Mercado
18 attacking me, you didn't stop it. You didn't
19 intervene, as it's your duty as the public safety
20 commissioner.

21 (Audience interruption.)

22 MR. TRUTH: So many people are going to
23 see the disrespect and disdain you have, Mayor,
24 for the public. I'm just one person representing
25 millions and millions of people. You understand

1 this --

2 (Audience interruption.)

3 MR. TRUTH: -- your incredible
4 condescension, your rudeness. This is incredibly
5 sad and wrong. And this is beneath the office of
6 mayor of Union City. Union City deserves better
7 than you.

8 (Audience interruption.)

9 MAYOR STACK: Everyone, please.

10 MR. TRUTH: Mayor, last year you
11 promoted Sergeant Armas to lieutenant. This year
12 you suspended him for 15 days for utilizing his
13 secure database to receive information on a
14 civilian.

15 MAYOR STACK: Let the record reflect we
16 are not on the consent agenda. This is not
17 anything on the consent agenda.

18 MR. TRUTH: -- protected --

19 MAYOR STACK: Let the record reflect
20 this is not on the consent agenda.

21 MR. TRUTH: -- a single question I've
22 asked.

23 MAYOR STACK: This is not on the consent
24 agenda.

25 (Audience interruption.)

1 MAYOR STACK: This is not --

2 MR. TRUTH: I am the public and you're
3 the mayor.

4 MAYOR STACK: -- disruptive to a public
5 body. This is not on the agenda.

6 MR. TRUTH: You are being disruptive to
7 we the people --

8 MAYOR STACK: Your time is up. Anyone
9 else on the consent agenda, please step forward.
10 State your name --

11 MR. TRUTH: You need to resign and --

12 (Audience interruption.)

13 MR. TRUTH: -- all your responses --
14 terminated immediately.

15 MR. AUTERI: Start it over.

16 MAYOR STACK: Please, everyone.

17 Please state your name and address for
18 the record, sir.

19 (Audience interruption.)

20 MR. PEREZ: Yes, my name is Lazaro
21 Perez, I am a lifelong citizen of Union City, so I
22 hope nobody disrespects me and boos me.

23 So my question, Mayor Brian Stack, is in
24 regards to a situation that happened at 19th and
25 West in August 2021. The Hudson County SWAT team

1 was deployed and a seven hour stand off --

2 MR. AUTERI: Sir, excuse me. This is --

3 MAYOR STACK: This is just on the
4 consent agenda.

5 MR. AUTERI: This is the consent.

6 MR. PEREZ: The fearfully --

7 MAYOR STACK: Sir, sir.

8 MR. PEREZ: -- and pointed at women and
9 children. I know this because I was the only male
10 in that apartment that day.

11 MAYOR STACK: Sir, this is on the
12 consent agenda.

13 MR. PEREZ: The street --

14 MAYOR STACK: You'll have an
15 opportunity --

16 (Audience interruption.)

17 MR. TRUTH: -- in the cold rain.

18 MAYOR STACK: Everyone, please.

19 MR. PEREZ: -- I counted at least 30
20 squad cars that day. A year after that traumatic
21 event, charges were dropped. The case was
22 dismissed and a simple noise violation was issued
23 because Union City Police Department did not show
24 up to the court. And no reason for the
25 involvement of SWAT was given. I asked you two

1 weeks ago in the very building where the event
2 took place for an explanation. You did not give
3 me one, you failed to do so, you deflected and
4 told Chief Facchini to answer the question. Chief
5 Facchini then said call me on my cell phone to
6 speak privately. Chief Luster, former chief
7 Luster, who you say gave the call to deploy has
8 since retired with \$148,000 pension, with a
9 \$330,000 boat check and unretired six months later
10 to take \$119 salary at a newly created role in the
11 Hudson Sheriff's office.

12 So my question to you, Mr. Mayor -- and
13 I don't want to call you on your phone -- I want
14 an answer now and here in front of the public:
15 What was the reason to show such excessive force
16 to a family of three women, three children, and
17 one man?

18 MAYOR STACK: Sir, I don't make those
19 decisions, I don't run the day-to-day of the
20 police department. My answer is the same as the
21 night we spoke about it, that would be --

22 MR. PEREZ: That's not good enough.

23 MAYOR STACK: I didn't interrupt you,
24 let me finish. I don't run the day-to-day, that's
25 not my call. That would be the sworn law

1 enforcement that would have to make that call.
2 That's a meeting you have to have, I can
3 facilitate the meeting with the chief of police,
4 and he can explain to you --

5 MR. PEREZ: I condemn this behavior.

6 MAYOR STACK: I'm not -- sir, I'm not
7 involved in that decision.

8 MR. PEREZ: I condemn this behavior and
9 how you handle yourself as a public official and
10 you let your people run the meeting.

11 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

12 MR. PEREZ: You're supposed to be in
13 charge. These commissions are supposed to be in
14 charge.

15 (Audience interruption.)

16 MR. PEREZ: You do, you do. I'm out of
17 here.

18 MAYOR STACK: Thank you. Please,
19 everyone.

20 Let the record reflect that this
21 individual and the individual prior used their
22 five full minutes that they normally would have at
23 the end of the meeting, instead did it on the
24 consent agenda. Let the record reflect that they
25 will not get the second opportunity. Angelo, just

1 make sure the record reflects that, make sure we
2 make a note of that.

3 Anyone else wishing to comment? Seeing
4 no other for the consent agenda, I'll close for
5 the consent agenda and I'll sponsor the resolution
6 to support all the items on the consent agenda.

7 MS. ROSARIO: Motion to close public
8 comment made by Mayor Stack.

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
11 Valdivia.

12 Commissioner Fernandez.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

15 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

16 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

19 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

21 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

22 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
23 approve all items on the consent agenda?

24 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by

1 Commissioner Valdivia.

2 MAYOR STACK: Second.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Mayor Stack.

4 Commissioner Fernandez.

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

6 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

7 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

13 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

14

15 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
16 action on the following item:

17 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

18 1. Resolution approving payment to Grace Theatre
19 Workshop, Inc.)

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21 MS. ROSARIO: There's one item on the
22 regular agenda. Commissioner Fernandez will
23 recuse from payments to the Grace Theatre
24 Workshop.

25 MAYOR STACK: I'll move it.

1 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor

3 Stack, second by Commissioner Martinetti.

4 Commissioner Grullon.

5 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

6 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

7 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

9 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

11 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

12

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

15 **ORDINANCE FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION CONSIDERATION:**

16 1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY, COUNTY
17 OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF
18 \$650,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
19 FUND FOR THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS PARK
20 IMPROVEMENTS.)

21

22 MS. ROSARIO: There's one item on for
23 ordinance for hearing and adoption consideration.

24 An ordinance of the City of Union City, County of
25 Hudson, New Jersey, appropriating the sum of

1 \$650,000 in funding from the capital improvement
2 fund for the completion of various park
3 improvements.

4 Mayor, would you like to take public
5 comment on this ordinance?

6 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment
7 on the ordinance, this would be on park
8 improvements, \$650,000 in funding from the capital
9 improvement fund for various park improvements?
10 Seeing none, I'll make a motion to close the
11 hearing.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
13 Stack.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
16 Fernandez.

17 Commissioner Fernandez.

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

20 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
3 adopt?

4 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by
6 Commissioner Valdivia. Second?

7 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.
9 Commissioner Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

12 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

13 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

18 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

19

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

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22 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor, would you like to
23 take public comment?

24 MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to
25 comment on any matter concerning municipal

1 government in the City of Union City, please step
2 forward. Seeing none, make a motion to close.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
4 Stack.

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

6 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
7 Martinetti.

8 Commissioner Fernandez.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

11 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

15 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

16 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

17 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

1. Crave 43, LLC

T/a Crave 43

120 43rd Street

0910-33-029-010

2. Graciela's Cactus, LLC

T/a Graciela's Cactus Restaurant

426 32nd Street

0910-33-227-006

1 1. Crave 43, LLC
2 T/a Crave 43
3 120 43rd Street
4 0910-33-029-010

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6 MAYOR STACK: Just, this portion of the
7 hearing now is liquor licenses. I'd like to thank
8 those residents and business owners that have come
9 to the meeting tonight. This portion of the
10 meeting is the liquor licenses. I would just like
11 to thank for attending our meeting and
12 participating in municipal government, the many
13 different forums that we have. I can promise you,
14 on behalf of the Commissioners and myself, nobody
15 will disrupt the progress that we've had in Union
16 City and how far the City has come, especially
17 someone not even in the state of New Jersey.
18 Thank you very much, everyone.

19 (Applause by the audience.)

20 MR. GONZALEZ: Good evening, Mayor,
21 Commissioners, for the record Ramon Gonzalez,
22 G-O-N-Z-A-L-E-Z on behalf of the Union City ABC.
23 There are two matters on before the board today.
24 The first one is Crave 43, LLC.

25 We've had an opportunity to speak to

1 them, they appeared here earlier. In speaking
2 with them, they would like this matter to be
3 carried. We're going to have a plea meeting
4 before the next hearing that we'll have. So I
5 respectfully request that matter be carried for
6 the next meeting.

7 MAYOR STACK: Great. This matter was --
8 this was Crave?

9 MR. GONZALEZ: Yes, Crave 43.

10 MAYOR STACK: You got it. I'll make the
11 motion.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
13 Stack. Second?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.
16 Commissioner Fernandez.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

19 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

25 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

1 2. Graciela's Cactus, LLC
2 T/a Graciela's Cactus Restaurant
3 426 32nd Street
4 0910-33-227-006

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6 MR. GONZALEZ: The second matter is
7 Graciela's Cactus, LLC. We had the first
8 opportunity to speak to them here. She was here
9 with her daughter, she likewise requested that we
10 could carry this. She would be present for our
11 next plea meeting, which is the 4th of March and
12 the meeting is the following day. So this one
13 also I request that it be adjourned.

14 MAYOR STACK: Absolutely. I make a
15 motion.

16 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
17 Stack.

18 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
20 Valdivia.

21 Commissioner Fernandez.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

24 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

1 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

3 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

6 MR. GONZALEZ: Thank you.

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ADJOURNMENT :

MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to adjourn?

MAYOR STACK: Motion.

COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

MS. ROSARIO: All in favor?

(All Board Members indicate in the affirmative.)

(Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.)

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Lucio P. Fernandez

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Wendy A. Grullon

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of the testimony and proceedings as taken stenographically by me at the time, place, and on the date hereinbefore set forth.

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