

**MERCED CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

CITY HALL
MERCED, CALIFORNIA

MONDAY
November 3, 2008

The City Council and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Merced, California met in adjourned regular session on Monday, November 3, 2008. Mayor and Chairperson ELLIE WOOTEN called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM and convened the agendaized Study Session.

(A) STUDY SESSION ROLL CALL

Present:	Mayor/Chairperson:	Ellie Wooten
	Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice-Chair:	John Carlisle
	Council Members/Commissioners:	Joseph Cortez
		Michele Gabriault-Acosta
		Noah Lor
		James Sanders
		William Spriggs
	Interim City Manager/ Interim Executive Director:	William Cahill
	City Attorney/Legal Counsel:	Gregory Diaz
Absent:	Council Members/Commissioners:	None

Assistant City Clerk DANA DAVIDSON advised the members of the audience that at their request they could address the City Council or the Redevelopment Agency on any item on the agenda during consideration of that item.

**(B) STUDY SESSION – REVIEW PROPOSED OPTIONS FOR THE
“G” STREET UNDERCROSSING**

Acting Director of Development Services DAVID GONZALVES reviewed a Microsoft© PowerPoint presentation covering the substance of the study session.

Council Member SANDERS asked the City Attorney about a potential conflict of interest due to the close proximity of his residence to this project.

City Attorney GREG DIAZ informed the Council that Council Member SANDERS' residence was outside the three hundred foot provision and therefore would not pose a conflict of interest.

Mayor Pro Tempore CARLISLE recommended the proposed class one bike lane on "G" Street be connected to Bear Creek for safety reasons.

Speakers from the Audience who had Questions for Staff:

LAURA MARTIN, Merced
MARY HOFMANN, Merced
JOHN CARLOS, Merced
FRED MONTOYA, Merced
JODY K. GEORGE, Merced
RHONDA SANCIBRIAN, Merced
SCOTT STODDARD, Merced
AHMAD AHMADI, Merced
JEFF COXEY, Merced
BILL HEIL, Merced
LYDIA MILLER, Merced
MAUREEN MCCORY, Merced
RENEE CONTRERAS, Merced

Mr. GONZALVES responded to questions posed by the Council Members and the public.

The Study Session adjourned at 7:00 PM.

(C) CLOSED SESSION

None.

(D) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chairperson WOOTEN called the City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting to order at 7:13 PM. Pastor JEFF LEIS of Yosemite Church pronounced the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Council Member/Commissioner SPRIGGS.

(E) ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor/Chairperson: Ellie Wooten
Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice-Chair: John Carlisle
Council Members/Commissioners: Joseph Cortez
Michele Gabriault-Acosta
Noah Lor
James Sanders
William Spriggs

Interim City Manager/
Interim Executive Director: William Cahill
City Attorney/Legal Counsel: Gregory Diaz

Absent: Council Members/Commissioners: None

Assistant City Clerk DANA DAVIDSON advised the members of the audience that at their request they could address the City Council or the Redevelopment Agency on any item on the agenda during consideration of that item.

(I) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

(I-1) Project Refocus Update Provided by Boys and Girls Club of Merced County, Incorporated Executive Director Tony Slaton

Boys and Girls Club Executive Director TONY SLATON, Community Partnership Alliance Representative STEVE ROUSSOS, and Golden Valley High School Principal CRAIG CHAVEZ provided a Project Refocus update by reviewing a Microsoft© PowerPoint presentation.

(F) COUNCIL OR AGENCY ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor WOOTEN advised the City Council that she would entertain a motion to reorder the agenda and hear the “G” Street Undercrossing matter at that point, allowing public comment and/or questions from anyone that did not have an opportunity to speak on the item during Study Session.

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIAULT-ACOSTA, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO ADDRESS AGENDA ITEM M-1-“G” STREET UNDERCROSSING OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE [BNSF]

RAILROAD TRACKS- PROJECT 106076 FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEM F-
COUNCIL OR AGENCY ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA.
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

**(M-1) "G" Street Undercrossing of Burlington Northern Santa Fe [BNSF]
Railroad Tracks-Project 106076**

Speakers from the Audience in Favor:

MIKE ALDRICH, Merced
CHARLIE HUDDLESTON, Merced

Speakers from the Audience with Various Concerns:

KATHLEEN CROOKHAM, Merced
BARBARA HALE, Merced
PATRICIA McNAMARA, Merced - proposed delaying City Council action for
two weeks to allow for public input.
KATHY WAGNER, Merced
JOHN HOFMANN, Merced
BRUCE REISDORPH, Merced
SUE CHAPPELL, Merced
GARY CONTE, Merced
DARREN SALCATA, Merced
MICHAEL DAWSON, Merced - proposed delaying City Council action for
two weeks to allow for public input.
LYDIA BEISWANGER, Merced - proposed delaying City Council action for
two weeks to allow for public input.
NICK ROBINSON, Merced
KRISTA KAMER, Merced
ANN AHMADI, Merced

Speakers from the audience:

KAY MELANSON, Merced - wanted reassurance that the neighborhood of West "G" Street would be included in the planning process of this project.

STEVE MEIDINGER, Chowchilla – spoke in favor of Santa Fe Avenue Option 2, curving Santa Fe Avenue closer to the railroad tracks and gradually sloping it twelve feet down to connect with "G" Street, allowing for right-turn in and out movements.

Acting Director of Development Services DAVID GONZALVES addressed each speaker's concerns.

Council Member/Commissioner SANDERS stated he would have a difficult time approving staff's recommendation at this time and preferred postponing City Council's/Agency's decision to allow public input.

Council Member/Commissioner SPRIGGS said he supported leaving Santa Fe Avenue open, turning it into an "S" curve and keeping as many "G" Street connector streets open as possible. He advised it would not benefit staff to delay the motion for two weeks.

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER/COMMISSIONER SPRIGGS,
SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER/COMMISSIONER GABRIALT-
ACOSTA, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO:

Redevelopment Agency: ADOPT RESOLUTION RDA-676 - A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, COMMITTING GENERAL TAX INCREMENT BOND FUNDS FOR THE "G" STREET UNDERCROSSING PROJECT FOR THE GRADE SEPARATION AT "G" STREET AND THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE RAILROAD CROSSING; AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR CHAIRPERSON TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

City Council:

- A. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2008-88 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE HIGHWAY RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT PROJECT BASELINE AGREEMENT AND FUNDING PLAN AND COMMITTING THE MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE "G" STREET UNDERCROSSING PROJECT FOR THE GRADE

SEPARATION AT "G" STREET AND THE BURLINGTON
NORTHERN SANTA FE RAILROAD CROSSING;

- B. TO CLOSE "G" STREET AND THE IMMEDIATE AREA OF THE UNDERCROSSING DURING CONSTRUCTION;
- C. CURVE SANTA FE AVENUE TO THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND GRADUALLY SLOPE IT TWELVE FEET DOWN TO CONNECT WITH "G" STREET, ALLOW FOR RIGHT-TURN IN AND OUT MOVEMENTS;
- D. WORK WITH THE 23RD, 24TH, AND 25TH STREETS RESIDENTS TO PROVIDE INPUT ON POSSIBLE CONNECTIONS TO "G" STREET; AND
- E. AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: CORTEZ,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: SANDERS,
CARLISLE,
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: NONE

Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director WILLIAM CAHILL advised that staff would be bringing the matter of forming a citizen's advisory committee before the City Council/Agency at a later date. CAHILL acknowledged that the reconstruction of the 26th Street signal light was not part of the previous motion but he would direct staff to design a plan to be brought before the City Council.

Council Member/Commissioner SPRIGGS suggested that the 26th Street Signal Project design come from the Citizens' Advisory Committee.

(I) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Citywide Traffic Plan: MIKE DAWSON, Merced - suggested the City develop a broader traffic plan to accommodate future growth.

Community Facilities District/Property Taxes: ELOISE TORRES, Merced - appealed her assessed property tax amount and stated her property taxes were three times higher in Merced than her other property in San Jose.

(G) CEREMONIAL MATTERS

None.

(H) WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

(J) REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER GABRIULT-ACOSTA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOR, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR AS SET FORTH BELOW WAS HEREBY DULY ADOPTED:

(J-1) APPROVE AND FILE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2008

(J-2) ADOPT RESOLUTION RDA-675 - A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF MERCED MONIES IN THE LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND.

(J-3) APPROVE THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR 2824 NORTH HIGHWAY 59 (ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 058-110-009) WITH DANNY ASTORGA FOR \$95,000 AND THE RELEASE AND WAIVER AGREEMENTS WITH MONICO ORTEGA, NORMA ASTORGA, AND CINDY ASTORGA; AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIULT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: NONE

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: NONE

(K) CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item K-9 - Set Study Session for Gang Presentation Workshop and Video was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIALT-ACOSTA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CORTEZ, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, THE CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR AS SET FORTH BELOW WAS HEREBY DULY ADOPTED:

(K-1) ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

(K-1-A) DOWNTOWN STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2008

(K-1-B) MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2008 AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

(K-1-C) PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2008

(K-1-D) SITE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2008

(K-1-E) EMERGENCY TRUNK SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT – AIRPORT STORM DRAIN-PROJECT 108083 *(Replaces a failing trunk sewer main that intersects the storm drainage improvement project at the Merced Municipal Airport.)*

(K-1-F) 2008 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) RAMPS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS-PROJECT 109009 *(Removes existing sidewalks, curbs, and gutters to install ADA handicap ramps on “R” Street.)*

(K-1-G) CONTRACT WITH MAXIMUS INCORPORATED FOR CLAIMING REIMBURSEMENT OF STATE MANDATED COSTS *(Provides submission of claims services for eligible State reimbursement of mandated costs.)*

(K-1-H) MERCED COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2008 *(Monthly update on graffiti abatement, Neighborhood Watch, and video production.)*

(K-2) APPROVE AND FILE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2008

(K-3) WAIVE THE READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 412 OF THE MERCED CITY CHARTER.

(K-4) PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

(K-4-A) AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES *(Modifies the list of authorized staff members to sign City checks and deposit/withdrawal from the Local Agency Investment Fund, subject to the City Manager's retirement.)*

1. **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2008-84 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE OF CITY CHECKS; AND**
2. **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2008-85 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF CITY OF MERCED MONIES IN THE LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND.**

(K-4-B) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2008-86 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT PROGRAM.

(K-4-C) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2008-87 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE CALIFORNIA RIVER PARKWAYS GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY,

FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACTION OF 2006 (PROPOSITION 84); AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

- (K-4-D)** INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 17.48, "FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION," OF THE MERCED MUNICIPAL CODE TO REFLECT CHANGES IN THE DECEMBER 2006 CALIFORNIA MODEL FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE.
- (K-5)** AUTHORIZE THE FILLING OF ONE VACANT DISPATCHER I POSITION IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.
- (K-6)** APPROVE THE MERCED COUNTY VETERANS COUNCIL'S AND MERCED DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION'S REQUEST TO HOLD THE 4TH ANNUAL VETERANS' DAY PARADE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2008.
- (K-7)** AUTHORIZE FUND 674 – FLEET REPLACEMENT TO PURCHASE A PROMISSORY NOTE IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$162,919.35 FROM THE PUBLIC FACILITY FINANCING PLAN (PFFP) FUNDS; AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.
- (K-8)** APPROVE THE ALLOCATION OF \$7,000 OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS, AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MERCED LAO FAMILY COMMUNITY, INCORPORATED.
- (K-10)** APPROVE THE PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPACT FEE CREDIT/REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH HERITAGE HOMES, LLC, FOR \$517,927 FOR WORK IN "R" STREET BEYOND THAT OF A COLLECTOR ROAD PURSUANT TO ESTABLISHED POLICIES AND APPROPRIATE AND ENCUMBER FROM STREET DEVELOPER FUND 054 TO FUND 450-STREET PROJECT 450-1104-637.65-00-109049; AND AUTHORIZE THE

INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

(K-9) Set Study Session for Gang Presentation Workshop and Video
(Schedules a study session for Monday, November 17, 2008, at 5:30 PM.)

Mayor Pro Tempore CARLISLE removed this item for separate consideration to request that the study session be postponed until the December 1, 2008 City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting.

ON MOTION OF MAYOR PRO TEMPORE CARLISLE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CORTEZ, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO:

- A. SET A STUDY SESSION DATE FOR A PRESENTATION BY THE MERCED MULTI-AGENCY GANG TASK FORCE ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008, AT 5:30 PM; AND
- B. APPROVE EXPENDITURES TO VIDEOTAPE AND REBROADCAST THE EVENT ON THE CITY'S GOVERNMENT CHANNEL (COMCAST CHANNEL 96).

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

(L) CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

(M) CITY COUNCIL AND AGENCY REPORTS

(M-2) United States Environmental Protection Agency [EPA] Grant Application for Environment Projects – Projects 108043 and 108044

Environmental Project Manager JOSEPH ANGULO reviewed the administrative report and corresponding Microsoft© PowerPoint presentation.

ON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER SPRIGGS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SANDERS, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO:

- A. AUTHORIZE THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR A UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY \$200,000 ASSESSMENT GRANT FOR THE MERCED CENTER PROJECT 108043;
- B. AUTHORIZE THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR A UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY \$200,000 CLEANUP GRANT FOR THE “R” STREET GAS STATIONS PROJECT 108044; AND
- C. AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COMMISSIONERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS: NONE

(N) ORDINANCES (SECOND READING/ADOPTION)

(N-1) Ordinance Dealing with On-Street Parking for Disabled Persons on West 18th Street and Cedar Avenue *(Authorizes installation of on-street parking for disabled persons in front of 54 West 18th Street and 1898 Cedar Avenue.)*

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIALT-ACOSTA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LOR, DULY CARRIED,

RESOLVED, TO ADOPT **ORDINANCE 2320** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA, ADDING DISABLED PERSON ON-STREET PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF CEDAR AVENUE AND THE SOUTH SIDE OF WEST 18TH STREET, MERCED, CALIFORNIA.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: SANDERS, CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIULT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

(O) BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL AND AGENCY

(O-1) Appointment – Economic Development Advisory Committee

(Nominations will be accepted and appointments considered for the committee.)

Assistant City Clerk DANA DAVIDSON reviewed the administrative staff report.

COUNCIL MEMBER CARLISLE NOMINATED RICHARD (JOHN) MEYER, JR. TO SERVE AS A CITY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE THE TERM OF OFFICE OF JAMES NEWHOFF UNTIL JULY 2016.

COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIULT-ACOSTA NOMINATED PAUL LUNDBERG TO SERVE AS A CITY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE THE TERM OF OFFICE OF JAMES NEWHOFF UNTIL JULY 2016.

COUNCIL MEMBER SANDERS NOMINATED DOUG FLUETSCH TO SERVE AS A CITY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO COMPLETE THE TERM OF OFFICE OF JAMES NEWHOFF UNTIL JULY 2016.

Clerk's Note: By a show of hands, Paul Lundberg was appointed as a city representative on the Economic Development Advisory Committee to complete the term of office of James Newhoff until July 2016. (Ayes- Cortez, Carlisle, Gabriault-Acosta, Lor, Spriggs, Wooten).

(O-2) Committee/Conference Reports from Council and Agency

Assistant City Clerk DANA DAVIDSON advised the City Council/Redevelopment Agency Members that if they attended a meeting, conference, training, or other event that was reimbursed by the City or the Redevelopment Agency they should make a public report on the substance of the training pursuant to the City Council's reimbursement policy, Resolution No. 2006-14.

Mayor Pro Tempore CARLISLE reported that Merced Mall partnered with COMVIP and raised approximately eight hundred dollars from the sale of art tote bags. He also commented that the United Way's Bicycle event was a big success with roughly three hundred people in attendance. The event raised approximately three thousand dollars for COMVIP.

(O-3) Legislative Contacts

None.

(O-4) Information Only – League of California Cities Priority Focus
(October 17, 2008 Issue 40)

Information Only.

(P) CONTINUATION OF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS *(If necessary)*

None.

(Q) CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION *(If necessary)*

None.

(R) ADJOURNMENT

Council Member GABRIALT-ACOSTA encouraged citizens to exercise their right to vote in the November 4th elections.

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER/COMMISSIONER GABRIALT-ACOSTA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER/COMMISSIONER CORTEZ, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:20 PM

TO THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY
COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING ON MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 17, 2008 AT 6:30 PM IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 678
WEST 18TH STREET, MERCED, CALIFORNIA.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: CORTEZ, CARLISLE,
GABRIALT-ACOSTA, LOR, SPRIGGS, WOOTEN
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: SANDERS
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS: NONE

BY:

DANA J. DAVIDSON
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

ELLIE WOOTEN, MAYOR

Clerk's Note: In accordance with Council's prior agreement to waive the
reading of ordinances and resolutions unless specifically requested to do so, the
Clerk was directed to read the titles only of the above ordinances and
resolutions.