

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL & REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
CITY OF YUBA CITY  
VETERANS HALL  
AUGUST 18, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.**

**Call To Order**

The City Council of the City of Yuba City was called to order by Mayor Ramirez at 7:10 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Present: Councilmembers Gill, Maan, McBride, Miller, and Mayor Ramirez  
Absent: None

**Public Hearing**

**1. Hillcrest Water System (HWS) conversion to surface water protest hearing in accordance with Proposition 218**

Councilmember Miller recused himself due to a possible conflict of interest.

Utilities Director Bill Lewis stated the proposed conversion of the Hillcrest area to City surface water came before Council on July 1. At that time, Council adopted the Ad Hoc Committee's report, adopted guidelines for submission and tabulation of protests, and set the protest hearing to accept testimony and protest withdrawals for August 18, 2008.

Michael Colantuono, Esq., said tonight's meeting is to conduct the last public hearing on this issue. A time will be set when no more protests/withdrawals can be submitted. At that time, the City Clerk will determine whether the protests received are manifestly more or less than one-half of the parcels.

Mayor Ramirez announced the close of the acceptance of protests and protest withdrawals will be 8:00 p.m. tonight.

Mayor Ramirez opened the public protest hearing to accept testimony, protests and protest withdrawals related to the proposed water rate surcharge. The following residents spoke:

Michael Moores, 822 Meadow Ave., Yuba City  
Bill Agee, 429 Camino Cortez, Yuba City  
Philip Treanor, 1570 Richland Rd., Yuba City  
Don Kessel, 1964 Pebble Beach Dr., Yuba City  
Suzanne Connelly, 1660 Alicia Dr., Yuba City  
Noal Miles, 487 Anita Way, Yuba City  
Roberta Osgood, 238 S. Palora Ave., Yuba City  
Janet Baur, 1532 Rancho Way, Yuba City  
Tony Galyean, 1400 Sherman Ct., Yuba City  
Lynn Horn, 1999 Nepal Ct., Yuba City  
Darin Gale, 1945 Phillips Rd., Yuba City  
Amy Tokuno, 420 Camellia Ln., Yuba City  
Roberta Dunham, 1354 Geneva Ave., Yuba City  
Elaine Miles, 487 Anita Way, Yuba City

At 8:00 p.m. Mayor Ramirez announced the close of submission of protests or protest withdrawals.

At the conclusion of public comment, Mayor Ramirez closed the public testimony portion of the public hearing and directed the City Clerk to tabulate the protests.

Mayor Ramirez responded to residents' comments and noted water service is a fee based service, unlike Police, Fire and streets which are funded through the General Fund.

Councilmembers commented on the time and effort expended by the members of the Hillcrest Water Ad Hoc Committee and comments made this evening.

Mayor Ramirez asked City Clerk Terrel Locke what her immediate review of the protest ballots indicates. Ms. Locke responded there were sufficient protests to require tabulation and determination of the validity of the protests. Tabulation will begin at noon tomorrow.

Councilmember Maan moved to close the public hearing and continue the meeting to a special meeting on August 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers for a report on the tabulated results. Councilmember Gill seconded the motion that passed with a unanimous vote.

**Public Communication on Items on the Agenda**

No further comments were voiced.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Ramirez adjourned the special City Council meeting of the City of Yuba City at 8:45 p.m.

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Rory Ramirez  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Terrel Locke  
City Clerk