Request:
Agendize a “Recommendation to the City Council” that Milpitas join 13 other cities in Santa Clara County in signing The U.S. Conference of Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement (MCRA) and vowing to reduce carbon emissions in their cities. Learn more from the letter to the Mayor or at http://www.usmayors.org/climateprotection/agreement.htm

Suggestion:
Agendize a discussion about proposed changes to the California Vehicle Code (CVC). To promote zero-emission, domestically-powered, appropriately-sized electric vehicles, the Light Electric Vehicle Association recommends changes to the CVC that will simplify the rules, reduce barriers, and fairly treat LEVs as viable transportation alternatives. Learn more at http://www.electric-bikes.com/cvc.html

Announcements:
Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) is operating for the public at Heathrow Airport; learn more at http://www.ultraprt.com/. The Santa Cruz group promoting a PRT system there has produced a 15-minute introduction to PRT and their plan to reduce congestion which can be viewed at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VljtS7Po2Io

Rebuild the American Dream is a movement to build a vision for our future from the grassroots up. Join us with your concerns, your ideas, and your energy to plot how to transform our economy, our culture, and our representative government. We will gather on July 16 at 2:00pm. Learn more and sign up to attend at http://civic.moveon.org/event/dreammeeting/117426 or http://snipurl.com/27u6nu
7 Homme Way  
Milpitas, CA 95035  
June 14, 2011  

Jose Esteves  
Mayor  
City of Milpitas  
455 East Calaveras Boulevard  
Milpitas, California 95035  

Dear Mayor Esteves,  

Across the nation, 1,053 mayors have signed The U.S. Conference of Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement (MCPA), vowing to reduce carbon emissions in their cities. Bay Area mayors have signed the agreement in San Jose, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, and San Francisco. On the map that is copied below, cities highlighted in green have signed the agreement and cities that have not remain in gray. As you can see on the map, Milpitas is a gray patch in a sea of green.  

Three goals are presented in the MCPA as a means to lower climate change pollution. First, mayors are asked to urge federal and state governments to enact policies and programs to meet or beat the target of reducing global warming pollution levels to 7 percent below 1990 levels by 2012. Second, mayors are asked to urge the U.S. Congress to pass bipartisan greenhouse gas reduction legislation. Third, mayors are asked to strive to meet or exceed Kyoto Protocol targets for reducing global warming pollution by taking actions in their own operations and communities. The entire MCPA resolution is copied to the end of this letter.  

The Milpitas Cool Cities Team commends the Milpitas City Council for its recent environmental initiatives, such as the Solar Power Purchase Agreement. The Cool Cities Team would like to encourage City Council to go a step further and sign the MCPA as a promise to the residents of Milpitas that the City will do its part to prevent the ill effects of global climate change. Sometime during regular office hours, our leaders would like to discuss the MCPA and the possibility of agendizing a discussion of the agreement by the City Council. Please contact me to arrange a meeting time convenient for you.  

Sincerely,  
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The U.S. Conference of Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement  

The MCPA is considered a model green building standard for new construction and is a critical step toward meeting the goals of the Kyoto Protocol.
Loma Prieta Chapter
Cities which have signed the
Mayors Climate Protection Agreement
RESOLUTION NO. 8063

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILPITAS SUPPORTING THE
"LET'S MOVE" CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the City of Milpitas supports policies and programs that focus on health and wellness and healthier community environments; and

WHEREAS, the childhood obesity epidemic is a national health crisis with one in every three children overweight and obese; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Health Profile for Santa Clara County revealed that 50 percent of adults and 1 in 4 children are overweight or obese; and

WHEREAS, the being overweight and obesity have been shown to lead to heart disease, diabetes, cancer and other chronic diseases; and

WHEREAS, the cost of being overweight, obese, and physically inactive in California due to health care costs and lost productivity is estimated to be $41.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, the cost of being overweight, obese, and physically inactive in Santa Clara County alone is estimated to be over $2 billion; and

WHEREAS, many cities, counties and schools have adopted policies, programs and ordinances that promote healthier environments by making their communities walkable and bikeable, promoting the use of transit, eliminating unhealthy foods in city, county or school facilities, promoting incentives for stores that sell fresh produce to locate in depressed neighborhoods, and providing exercise opportunities for their residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milpitas is aware that the Santa Clara County Public Health Department has recently been awarded $3.6 million through the Prevention and Public Health Fund of the Affordable Care Act to expand its Communities Putting Prevention to Work project to include obesity prevention; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milpitas city officials believe there are important long-term community benefits to be gained by creating healthy community environments, including a decrease in the rate of childhood obesity and related risk factors for chronic disease; and

WHEREAS, cities and other community partners can work together to understand the relationship between obesity, land-use policies, redevelopment, and community planning; and

WHEREAS, cities and other community partners, including schools, can work in partnership to ensure that there are safe places for residents to be active such as routes to school, parks, ball fields, pools, gyms, and recreation centers; and

WHEREAS, access to healthy affordable foods has a direct impact on the overall health of our community and planning for the availability of fresh food in neighborhood stores and farmers markets and improved access through sidewalks, bike paths, and transit routes should be a priority; and

WHEREAS, cities and other community partners can work to promote programs that help parents make healthier choices for their families; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milpitas wants to partner with and support the Let's Move Campaign headed by the First Lady of the United States, the Presidents’ Task Force on Childhood Obesity and the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in an effort to solve the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation.

Resolution No. 8063
NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Milpitas hereby finds, determines, and resolves as follows:

1. The City Council has considered the full record before it, which may include but is not limited to such things as the staff report, testimony by staff and the public, and other materials and evidence submitted or provided to it. Furthermore, the recitals set forth above are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

2. The City of Milpitas has determined to become a Let's Move City and will adopt preventive strategies to fight obesity in accord with those put forth by the First Lady of the United States of America in the Let's Move campaign.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15TH day of February 2011, by the following vote:

AYES: (5) Mayor Esteves, Vice Mayor McHugh, and Councilmembers Giordano, Gomez and Polanski

NOES: (0) None

ABSENT: (0) None

ABSTAIN: (0) None

ATTEST:

Mary Lavelle
Mary Lavelle, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Jose S. Esteves, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael J. Ogaz, City Attorney
Santa Clara County Communities Putting Prevention Together (CPPW) Obesity Grant Strategies

Participating cities are strongly encouraged to choose both a nutrition and physical activity strategy.

In order to apply for the CPPW funding, cities are required to choose at least one strategy from the following list. In addition, it is expected that the CPPW strategies selected will be linked to the city's plan for the Let's Move Cities and Towns Initiative.

Nutrition
1. Enhance existing city food and beverage policies or institute and implement new food and beverage policies to improve food standards for city operated or contracted programs serving employees and the public (e.g. worksites, childcare and youth programs). Note: policies could focus on one or two programs or be more comprehensive.
2. Increase the accessibility and affordability of fresh fruits and vegetables through Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) projects and farmers' markets and the use of EBT/Food Stamps.
3. Implement beverage pricing strategy that decreases consumption of unhealthy beverages.

Physical Activity
1. Leverage and expand city initiatives to create or augment existing active transportation policies such as complete streets policies, pedestrian and bicycle master plans, crosswalks policies, bike parking policies or health elements in general plan updates.
2. Expand city efforts to outreach and provide support for development of bike parking and other features to support bicycling to businesses/city locations (e.g. promoting bike share programs or locating bike racks at schools, libraries, transit centers, recreation centers, government buildings, office buildings, retail centers, parks, etc.).
3. Develop Safe Routes to School capacity through transportation planning processes or policy development (e.g. development of Safe Routes to School National Partnership Consensus Statements, prioritization of safety and comfort of school children in street modification projects, reduction of speeds in school zones, or demonstration of need for additional Safe Routes to School interventions through planning).
Ms. Spuller stated there were more bicyclists at the Great Mall Transit Center compared to the two other energizer stations at Main Street and Montague Expressway and at City Hall.

3. Bikeway Master Plan
   i. Special Meeting 05-29-08*
      Ms. Spuller referred to the Special BPAC meeting held on May 29, 2008.
   ii. Next Steps
      Ms. Spuller said the City will continue to receive comments until August to input in the Bikeway Master Plan. Ms. Spuller will ask the consultant for a draft Bikeway Master Plan for the Commission to review at the next meeting.

      Chair Bunnell appreciated the 100% participation by the Commission and the comments.

      Chair Bunnell opened comments from the public:

      Rob Means, 1421 Yellowstone Avenue, Milpitas
      Mr. Means stated at the last [regular] meeting the Commission agreed to look at bicycle racks. Mr. Means will email his notes to City staff Janice Spuller. Mr. Means mentioned the existing bike racks are “5”-wheel” variety that hold the front or back wheel. Mr. Means looked at locations and down on Dempsey near Calaveras Boulevard there are converted churches from industrial buildings that lack racks. There are several shopping areas that do not have bike parking. In some communities, there has been the city’s responsibility of installing in private developments. He added Selwyn Park does not have bicycle rack, but has recently been refurbished. There is also the 7-Eleven Shopping Center on Park Victoria [and Calaveras Boulevard]. He suggests the development should have been conditioned to place bicycle racks after renovation. [Mr. Means was actually speaking to item # 4 under Old Business]

4. Bicycle Racks Survey*
   Commissioner Briones mentioned after the [April 14, 2008] meeting, Ms. Spuller emailed a list of bicycle rack locations suggested to the VTA. These locations covered the area he was going to survey.

   Commissioner Pei surveyed Main Street between Calaveras Blvd and Great Mall Parkway and did not notice any bicycle facility. He
recommends a part of the [Bicycle Master Plan Update] Project, he suggests including this information in the plan. Commissioner Pei provided Ms. Spuller with a marked up map of suggested locations. He added at the Safeway in the Town Center Shopping Center and Orchard Supply Hardware in the Beresford Square Shopping Center, there was minimal number of bike racks which is insufficient. There is one bicycle rack in front of Staples, but is not convenient. Commissioner Pei suggests the City provide bicycle racks along Main Street like other Cities such as Palo Alto have. Ms. Spuller added there is a Midtown Streetscape Master Plan that will include bicycle racks. She referred to North Main Street where the new library, medical facility, and senior housing development are in construction. Commissioner Pei provided Janice with a picture of bicycle racks on the sidewalk- which highlights bicycle awareness as a form of transportation, and a map of shopping centers and suggested locations.

Commissioner Briones asked how many bicycle racks are provided at the library. Ms. Spuller does not recall the placement and will provide that information to the Commission.

Chair Bunnell asked Ms. Spuller to remind what the purpose of the survey is for. Ms. Spuller said this exercise is two fold: 1) to review the existing facilities to seek out funding and 2) to include as part of the Bikeway Master Plan to condition new development to incorporate bike racks and to outreach to existing shopping centers and facilities to add bike racks.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Celebrate Milpitas Festival August 16 & 17, 2008
Ms. Spuller stated the event will have the same space as last year and will have a tent, table, and a few chairs. She has the banners and is requesting from the Commission what they want to state on the banner? Vice-Chair Stanojevic suggested adding the logo and the words "Bicycle Corrale" on the banner.

Chair Bunnell asked if the Commission can add something in the Milpitas POST advertising the bicycle parking at the Festival. Chair Bunnell will write a letter to the Milpitas POST Editor stating the BPAC will be bicycle parking at the Festival.

Ms. Spuller requested volunteers to park the bicycles at the event. Chair Bunnell said she can volunteer Saturday Afternoon. Vice Chair Stanojevic said she can volunteer Saturday Morning. Commissioner Briones said he can volunteer Sunday Afternoon.
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Existing conditions for gas station sites in Chicago are generally favorable, with a mix of both existing and planned stations. The majority of stations are located in commercial and residential areas, with a few in industrial zones. Existing stations vary in size, with some being small and others larger, accommodating multiple pumps and equipment. New stations are typically built to meet current standards and requirements. Existing stations may be renovated or expanded to accommodate changes in fuel demand and market trends.