



Notice of Vacancy *Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax Oversight Committee*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a position on the Sales Tax and Utility Users' Oversight Committee is open and the City of Union City is seeking a resident to serve as an at-large member of the committee. The appointment will begin as soon as the City Council approves a resolution establishing the Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax Oversight Committee, which is scheduled to take place in March 2021.

Purpose of the Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax Oversight Committee

The Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax Oversight Committee shall meet two times a year to review and annually report on the revenue and expenditure of funds from the voter-approved utility users' tax and half-cent sales tax.

In accordance with Government Code Section 54973, this notice is posted within twenty days of notification of the vacancy. Members of the committee shall be registered voters residing within the City of Union City. The appointment of members will remain in place until either the City Council dissolves the committee; or, a member is no longer able to serve and needs to be replaced.

Qualifications and Application Information

To be an at-large member of the Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax, you must meet the following criteria:

- Be a resident of Union City
- Have a background in finance
- Be willing to serve a minimum of two years on the committee

Interested individuals must apply at {insert online application link}.

Background about the Sales Tax and Utility Users' Tax

A [half-cent sales tax](#) was first approved by voters in 2010 and was renewed with voter support in 2014. The current sales tax measure expires in April 2025. The half-cent sales tax is a general tax that raises about \$5.5 million annually to help support essential city services.

This local measure requires [independent citizens' oversight](#) to report on the revenue and expenditure of funds as directed by the City Council.



A [utility users' tax](#) was approved by voters in 2020 with a term that ends in 2028. The utility users' tax levies a 5% tax on electricity, gas, video and telecommunication services. The utility users' tax is a general tax and, once it takes effect in April 2021, it is expected to raise about \$5.5 million annually to go towards supporting essential city services.

This [local measure](#) requires independent citizens' oversight to report on the revenue and expenditure of funds as directed by the City Council. It also requires that an annual audit be performed by a qualified, independent third party to ensure taxes have been properly applied, collected and remitted in accordance with municipal ordinance.

For More Information

For more information about this committee, please contact the City Manager's Office at 510-675-5400 or by email at communications@unioncity.org.

A copy of this notice and the committee application is available on the City's website at <https://www.unioncity.org/559/Tax-Oversight-Committee-Reporting>. In accordance with Government Code Section 54974, no appointment to fill this vacancy will be made for at least ten (10) working days after posting of this special notice.

/S:/ Anna M. Brown, CMC City Clerk

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