



AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 21, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Janet Abelson – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Rebecca Benassini
Councilmember Jan Bridges

Councilmember Mark Friedman
Councilmember Greg Lyman

ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m. CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE – Councilmember Bridges.

2. COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS (*Reports of Closed Session, commission appointments and informational reports on matters of general interest which are announced by the City Council & City Staff.*)

[Metropolitan Transportation Commission 2012 Pavement Management Award](#)

– Recognizing the City of El Cerrito for having the most improved roads, with the greatest increase in pavement condition index (PCI) over a three-year period.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

All persons wishing to speak should sign up with the City Clerk. Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending upon the number of speakers. Kindly state your name and city of residence for the record. Comments regarding non-agenda, presentation and consent calendar items will be heard first. Comments related to items appearing on the Public Hearing or Policy Matter portions of the Agenda are taken up at the time the City Council deliberates each action item. Individuals wishing to comment on any closed session scheduled after the regular meeting may do so during this public comment period or after formal announcement of the closed session.

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation in Recognition and Memory of Angela Saridis

Approve a proclamation commending and recognizing the many contributions and positive impact on the community made by Angela Saridis to the El Cerrito Community and offering its condolences to Ms. Saridis' family on behalf of the grateful residents and patrons of the City of El Cerrito.

B. Doctors Medical Center Fiscal Update and Declaration of Fiscal Emergency – *Presentation requested by the Board of Directors, West Contra Costa Healthcare District.*

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5A and 5B

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the: 1) December 17, 2013 Regular City Council; and 2) January 27, 2014 Special City Council meeting minutes.

B. West Contra Costa Youth Services Bureau Proclamation

Approve a proclamation commending the West Contra Costa Youth Services Bureau (WCCYSB) for improving the wellness of the community and providing services to the children, youth and families of West Contra Costa County and joining in the celebration of May 15, 2014 as the official 30th Anniversary date of the West Contra Costa Youth Service Bureau.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

7. POLICY MATTERS

A. Approve a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application to Unite the Hillside Natural Area and Restrict the Use of Specified Hillside Natural Area to Public Recreation and Open Space Only

Adopt a resolution approving the City's application for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for the acquisition of the Madera Hillside Natural Area Property (APN 505-142-014, -012 and 013) to unite the Hillside Natural Area and approving the grant requirement to restrict the conversion of the Hillside Natural Area properties, specified by the City in the grant application, from Open Space/Parks and Recreation to Public Recreation and Open Space in perpetuity. *Exempt from CEQA.*

B. Annual Council Liaison Reorganization and Appointments

Discuss City Council appointments to regional bodies and liaison appointments to local boards, commissions and committees and approve appointments for 2014.

8. COUNCIL LOCAL AND REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Mayoral and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments and committee reports.

9. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING in memory of Ron Egberman and Angela Saridis

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California.

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