



AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 6, 2014 – 6:40 p.m.

Hillside Conference Room

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 6, 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

- 6:40 p.m.** **ROLL CALL**
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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (*Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker and to items listed on this special agenda only.*)
[COMMISSION INTERVIEWS, STATUS AND APPOINTMENTS](#)
Conduct interviews of candidates for city boards and commissions. Interviews may result in an announcement of appointment at the meeting. The City Council may also discuss and determine the scheduling and structure of future interviews.
ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- 7:00 p.m.** **ROLL CALL**
CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE** – Mayor Pro Tem Benassini.
 - 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.*)

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. PRESENTATION

- A. **Contra Costa Community College District Facility Needs & Priorities: Information about Measure E** – *Presentation by Denise Noldon, President at Contra Costa College and John Marquez, President, Contra Costa Community College District Governing Board.*

Receive a presentation outlining the role of Contra Costa Community College District in the community and information regarding Measure E, an education bond measure on the June 3 ballot.

- B. **Update from West Contra Costa Unified School District on School Construction Activities** – *Presentation by Charles Ramsey, President, Board of Education and Bill Fay, Assistant Superintendent, West Contra Costa Unified School District.*

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5A through 5F

- A. **Minutes for Approval**

Approve the April 22, 2014 Closed Session and Regular City Council meeting minutes.

- B. **Ordinance Establishing the Measure A Swim Center Parcel Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2014–15** *First Reading April 22, 2014. Vote: Unanimous*

Adopt Ordinance 2014–02 establishing the Measure A Swim Center Parcel Tax rates for Fiscal Year 2014-15, equal to the approved FY 2013-14 rates of \$38.61 per single-family residential unit, \$29.73 per multi-family residential unit and \$270.66 per acre of non-residential property.

- C. **Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1988-1 Resolution of Intent to Order Improvements and Set the Date for the Public Hearing as May 20, 2014**

Accept the Engineer's Report specifying assessments for the Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District and adopt a Resolution of Intention to Order Improvements pursuant to the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972, and setting the time, date and place of the public hearing as May 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

- D. **Bike to Work Proclamation**

Approve a proclamation proclaiming May 8, 2014 as Bike to Work Day in the City of El Cerrito, recognizing the value of increased bicycle use and encouraging participation in the 20th Annual Bike to Work Day and other bicycling activities during the month of May.

- E. **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Internal Controls**

Receive and file the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the Memorandum on Internal Control and Required Communications (MOIC) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

F. Modify Summer City Council Meeting Schedule

Approve a recommendation to adopt a reduced City Council meeting schedule consisting of the third Tuesday in July and August and the fourth Monday in September 2014. Cancelling the first regularly scheduled meeting in July through September is consistent with a reduced meeting schedule approved by the City Council for the past thirteen years. City Council meeting dates in July, August and September would be Tuesday, July 15, Tuesday, August 19 and Monday, September 22 with an additional request to keep the first Tuesday in July and September reserved for special meetings as needed.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** – *None*

7. **POLICY MATTERS**

Capital Improvement Program Study Session

Receive a presentation on the City's current Capital Improvement Program (CIP), discuss potential changes or additions to the CIP, and provide possible direction to staff regarding preparation of next year's CIP as part of the City's Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget process.

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**

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California.

The City of El Cerrito serves, leads and supports our diverse community by providing exemplary and innovative services, public places and infrastructure, ensuring public safety and creating an economically and environmentally sustainable future.

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- The City Council believes that late night meetings deter public participation, can affect the Council's decision-making ability, and can be a burden to staff. City Council Meetings shall be adjourned by 10:30 p.m., unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Council.