



## AGENDA

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, March 17, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**  
**Hillside Conference Room**

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, March 17, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers**

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

Mark Friedman – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Lyman  
Councilmember Jan Bridges

Councilmember Janet Abelson  
Councilmember Gabriel Quinto

**6:30 p.m. ROLL CALL**

**CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**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 and to items listed on this special meeting 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**

**ROLL CALL**

**7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor Pro Tem Lyman.**

**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.*)

**Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award / Certificate of Recognition for Budget Preparation**

The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award is the highest award in governmental budgeting and is presented to governmental units whose budgets are judged to adhere to program standards.

**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. Crime Prevention Committee Workplan** – *Presentation by Catherine Krueger, Crime Prevention Committee Chair.*

Receive a presentation regarding the Crime Prevention Committee’s accomplishments, goals and workplan.

**B. Environmental Quality Committee Workplan** – *Presentation by Mark Miner, Environmental Quality Committee Chair.*

Receive a presentation regarding the Environmental Quality Committee’s accomplishments, goals and workplan.

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

**A. Minutes for Approval**

Approve the [February 14, 2015](#) Special City Council and [February 17, 2015](#) Regular City Council meeting minutes.

**B. Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month Proclamation**

Approve a proclamation recognizing March 2015 as Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month as enacted by state law in April 2013, and encouraging all residents to actively participate in prevention programs and activities and safely store and dispose of their medications on a continual basis. The City Council encourages all community members to pledge, “Spread the Word...One Pill Can Kill.”

**C. March is American Red Cross Month Proclamation**

Approve a proclamation proclaiming March 2015 as American Red Cross Month in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging all residents to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

**D. Annual Parcel Assessment for NPDES Program and Drainage Maintenance**

Adopt a resolution establishing the annual parcel assessment for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and Drainage Maintenance Program at the current rate of \$38.00 per Equivalent Runoff Unit (ERU), and authorizing the Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District to adopt Stormwater Utility Area levies based on said amount.

**E. Priority Development Area Planning Grant – Cooperative Funding Agreement PDA.8.EC**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Funding Agreement PDA.8.EC between the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) and the City of El Cerrito to fund the Priority Development Area (PDA) planning grant to develop the El Cerrito San Pablo Avenue PDA Implementation Plan.

**F. West Coast Code Consultants Contract Amendment**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the professional services agreement between the City of El Cerrito and West Coast Code Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 bringing the total contract to an amount not to exceed \$50,000 and to extend the term of the agreement through June 30, 2015.

**G. Environmental Quality Committee Appointment**

Approve an Environmental Quality Committee recommendation to appoint Rebecca Milliken, Tracie Mackie and Paloma Pavel to the Environmental Quality Committee, effective April 14, 2015.

**H. Committee on Aging Appointment**

Approve a Committee on Aging recommendation to appoint Steve Lipson to the Committee on Aging, effective March 17, 2015.

**I. Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2014**

Receive and file the City's Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending September 30, 2014.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING – None**

**7. POLICY MATTERS**

**A. Amend Professional Services Agreement with Trust for Public Land to Waive or Reduce the Professional Services Fee**

Adopt a resolution amending the Professional Services Agreement with Trust for Public Land for service provided in conjunction with the acquisition of the Madera Hillside Natural Area Property (APN 505-142-014, -012 and -013). Due to information available at the time the agenda bill went to print, there are two resolutions attached with the following two separate options: 1) One resolution waives the \$100,000 professional services fee authorized by Resolution No. 2013–39; 2) The second resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement to share 50% of the net proceeds of any future sale of a private lot (APN 505-421-029), up to \$100,000.

**B. Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing Program (PACE)**

Staff requests the following actions: 1) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City of El Cerrito to become a member of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority Joint

Powers Authority (CSCDA), subject to the execution of an amended and restated joint exercise of powers agreement with the CSCDA; 2) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City to join the CaliforniaFIRST Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program, provided through the CSCDA Joint Powers Authority, subject to the execution of an agreement for the CaliforniaFIRST program to indemnify the City; 3) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City to join the Open PACE Program, provided through the CSCDA Joint Powers Authority; 4) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City to become a member of the Western Riverside Council of Governments Joint Powers Authority (WRCOG) and participate in the California HERO program, subject to the execution of an agreement for the California HERO Program to indemnify the City; and 5) Adopt a resolution authorizing the City to become a member of the California Enterprise and Development Authority Joint Powers Authority (CEDA) and participate in the Figtree PACE program. *Exempt from CEQA.*

### C. Mid Year Budget Update

Staff requests the following: 1) Receive an update on year-end results for Fiscal Year 2013-14 that ended on June 30, 2014; 2) Receive an update on city revenues and expenditures for the first seven months of the fiscal year through January 2015; and 3) Adopt a resolution authorizing adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 budget.

## 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 regular City Council meeting is Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California. The City Council has also scheduled a special Strategic Planning Work Session on Saturday, March 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers.

***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.