AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 15, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

Greg Lyman – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Janet Abelson         Councilmember Mark Friedman
Councilmember Jan Bridges           Councilmember Gabriel Quinto

ROLL CALL

CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor 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.)

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 – None

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

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes

Approve the March 1, 2016 Regular City Council meeting minutes.
B. **Proclaim March as Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month**

At the request of Councilmember Abelson, approve a proclamation declaring March 2016 as Prescription Drug Abuse Awareness Month in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging the community to pledge, “Spread the Word…One Pill Can Kill.”

C. **Stop Signs at Various Locations**

Adopt two separate resolutions authorizing the Public Works Director/City Engineer to install stop signs on: 1) Lawrence Street at Gladys Avenue; and 2) Gayle Court at Donal Avenue. *Exempt from CEQA.*

D. **Opposition to Shipment of Coal through the Marine Terminal under Development at the Former Oakland Army Base**

At the request of Councilmember Abelson, adopt a resolution opposing the shipment of coal through the Oakland Bulk and Oversized Terminal under development at the former Oakland Army Base, and resolving to transmit copies of the resolution to Governor Jerry Brown, Mayor and City Council of the City of Oakland, Senator Loni Hancock, Assemblymember Tony Thurmond, Alameda County Transportation Commission, Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the California Transportation Commission.

CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS HOUSING SUCCESSOR TO FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

E. **Contra Costa County to Act as Bond Issuer for Bonds to be Used to Fund the Hana Gardens Apartments**

Staff recommends that the City Council acting as Housing Successor to the former Redevelopment Agency adopt a resolution acknowledging that the County of Contra Costa will assist in the financing of Hana Gardens Apartments to be located at 10860 and 10848 San Pablo Avenue.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

7. **POLICY MATTERS**

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

A. **Mid-Year Budget Update**

Receive an update on city revenues and expenditures for the first 6 months of the fiscal year through December 31, 2015 and adopt a resolution authorizing amendments to the FY 2015-16 budget and approving new spending limits.

B. **2016 Economic Development Action Plan Update**


CITY COUNCIL ACTING AS REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY

C. **Approval to Refinance Successor Agency Tax Allocation Bonds**

Adopt a Successor Agency resolution approving: 1) Issuance of refunding bonds, execution and delivery of an indenture and escrow instructions and authorizing actions related thereto; 2) Approving contracts with NHA Advisors ($65,000 for a public offering or $50,000 for a private placement) and Fraser and Associates ($26,000) for related work to be paid out of bond proceeds; and 3) Requesting Oversight Board approval of the issuance of refunding bonds and certain determinations relating thereto.

8. **COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS**

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

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9. **ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The next regular City Council meeting is Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito.

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