



AGENDA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 18, 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 Jan Bridges

Councilmember Mark Friedman
Councilmember Gabriel Quinto

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 Jan 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.*)

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. [Unity and Bullying Prevention Awareness Day Proclamation](#)

Approve a proclamation proclaiming October 19, 2016 as Unity Day in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging all schools, students, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions and community organizations to engage in a variety of awareness and prevention activities designed to make our community safer for all

children and adolescents and encouraging all El Cerrito residents to wear orange on Unity Day to demonstrate the City's commitment to the prevention of bullying.

B. Recreation Department Update – *Presentation by Chris Jones, Director, Recreation Department.*

C. [Crime Prevention Committee Workplan](#) – *Presentation by Nicholas Arzio, Chair.*

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

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5(A) through 5(J)

A. [Approval of Minutes](#)

Approve the September 20, 2016 Regular City Council meeting minutes.

B. [Arts and Humanities Month Proclamation](#)

Approve a proclamation declaring October 2016 as "Arts and Humanities Month" in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging all residents to participate in arts-related events in El Cerrito throughout the month.

C. [Proclamation Recognizing Chris Strachwitz and Down Home Music](#)

Approve a proclamation commending Chris Strachwitz, for his many accomplishments, recognizing the fortieth anniversary of the Down Home Music Store and declaring October 20, 2016 as "Chris Strachwitz and Down Home Music Day" in the City of El Cerrito.

D. [Shelter-in-Place Education Day Proclamation](#)

Approve a proclamation recognizing the importance of preparing for emergencies and encouraging participation in the Contra Costa Community Awareness Emergency Response Group's (CAER) public education efforts in support of the parents, teachers, students and staff that will be participating with hundreds of other schools and childcare centers in the Shelter-in-Place Drill and proclaiming November 2, 2016 as "Shelter-in-Place Education Day" in the City of El Cerrito.

E. [Proclamation Encouraging Autonomous Vehicle Testing as a Public Safety and Economic Development Initiative](#)

Approve a proclamation declaring that the City of El Cerrito welcomes the testing and operation of intelligent vehicles on the streets and roads over which the City has jurisdiction in accordance with applicable law, as a means to encourage the advancement of this technology and to create economic benefit, and will, if necessary, work collaboratively with other jurisdictions in Contra Costa County to address any issues that arise in order to best protect the safety of our residents.

F. [Amendments to City's Job Classification Plan](#)

Adopt a resolution amending the City's Job Classification Plan to: 1) Re-title and revise the class specification of "Information Services Manager" to "Information Technology Manager;" and 2) Retitle the class specification of "Administrative Analyst I, II, III" to "Management Analyst I, II, III."

G. [Conflict of Interest Code Update](#)

Adopt a resolution approving a revised Conflict of Interest Code for the City of El Cerrito, including filing requirements for related agencies, including the Public Financing Authority, the Employee Pension Board, and the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency and rescinding Resolution No. 2014-47.

H. Memorandum of Understanding with the Public Safety Management Group – Police Chief

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the Public Safety Management Group – Police Chief.

I. Financial Support for Youth Soccer Grant for Gilman Sports Fields

Adopt a resolution supporting the application for a California Youth Soccer Program Grant of \$1,000,000 by the Gilman Sports Fields Joint Powers Authority (JPA) and allocating \$20,000 from the City's General Fund Reserve (identified as Option 1) as local matching funds for the construction of a new youth soccer field and public restroom facility. *Exempt from CEQA.*

J. Arlington Boulevard and Brewster Drive Intersection Safety Improvements, City Project No. C3071, Federal Aid Project No. HSIP-5239(023)

Adopt a resolution taking the following actions: 1) Approve plans for the Arlington Boulevard and Brewster Drive Intersection Safety Improvements, City Project No. C3071, Federal Aid Project No. HSIP-5239(023); 2) Accept the two submitted bids; 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$205,268.50 with FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc. and approve change orders in an amount not to exceed \$21,000 for the construction of the Arlington Boulevard and Brewster Drive Intersection Safety Improvements Project; and 4) Amend the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Adopted Budget and Annual Program of Maintenance and Improvement pursuant to the Measure A Street Improvement Program to appropriate an additional \$40,000 in the Measure A Street Improvement Fund for the Arlington Boulevard and Brewster Drive Intersection Safety Improvements, City Project No. C3071. *Exempt from CEQA.*

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Local Modification of the 2016 California Building Standards Code, Including Green Building Code, Building Code, Fire Code and related Construction Codes

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion: 1) Adopt a resolution which makes findings justifying changes or modifications due to local climatic, geologic and topographic conditions in the 2016 California Building Standards Code, which includes the California Green Code, Building Code, Fire Code, Residential Code and related Construction Codes; and 2) Introduce by title and waive first reading of an Ordinance and set the second hearing for November 1, 2016 to adopt the 2016 California Green Code, Administrative, Building, Fire, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Energy, Residential, Existing Building Code and related Construction Codes as applicable to all construction within the City of El Cerrito, with local modifications as outlined in the ordinance. *Exempt from CEQA.*

7. POLICY MATTERS

Presentation and Possible Action in Support of California State Proposition 55 – Tax Extension to Fund Education and Healthcare – Presentation by Tony Thurmond, California State Assemblymember, District 15.

Receive a presentation from Assemblymember Tony Thurmond and consider adopting a resolution joining cities and school districts around the state in supporting California Proposition 55 and urging the Legislature to work with the public education community to identify stable, long-term, adequate funding solutions for public

schools and support the passage of Proposition 55 because it provides needed revenue to public schools and will specifically benefit the district.

8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

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

9. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito.

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