



MEETING SUMMARY

Approved January 4, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, November 28th, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue

Kagawa called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Members Figone, James, Kagawa, Petersen, Shrem

Absent: Corrigan, Gager, Horng Brawer, Taylor

Also Present: Katherine Ahlquist, Staff Liaison; Laura Maurer, member of the public; Gabe Quinto, Council Liaison

1. **Staff/Council Liaisons Announcements and Reports** – Quinto updated the Committee on the recent Councilmember elections, November 15th, 2017 Council Agenda items and Library Measure B efforts.

Ahlquist gave the Committee updates on EDC membership and terms and highlighted recent development along San Pablo Avenue.

2. **Comments from the Public on non-agenda items** – No comments were received from members of the public.
3. **El Cerrito Chamber Updates** – Figone informed the Committee of upcoming Chamber elections for 2017 Officers and the Christmas Luncheon on 12/13/16.
4. **Approval of the Minutes** – Shrem made a motion to adopt the minutes of the Committee meeting on October 26th, 2016. Kagawa seconded. Unanimous approval.
5. **Consider a Recommendation to Reappoint Wendy Horng Brawer to the EDC** – Horng Brawer was not present and this item was moved to the next EDC meeting.
6. **2016 EDC Work Plan** –
 - a) **Lunar New Year Celebration Event – 7:35** – Petersen gave an update on the 2017 Lunar New Year Celebration event and discussed budget and next steps.
 - b) **Share 5 Project Ideas for Collaboration with the ACC – 8:00** – Gager was not present and this item was moved to the next EDC meeting.
 - c) **Centennial Task Force Event Discussion – 8:30** – The Committee discussed potential events that would fit under the Centennial Task Force’s vision and agenda for 2017 including Restaurant Week, Lunar New Year and a small business celebration day.
 - d) **Community Engagement Event discussion – 8:40** – Potential community engagement events were discussed for 2017 and the Committee decided to remove this as a reoccurring agenda item until needed.

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7. **Committee Member Updates and Discussion of Future Actions and Agenda Items** – James updated the group on her thoughts after looking at some of the metrics in various City plans. Kuhlman suggested turning priority metrics into a report card.

Ahlquist reminded the group that the December 28th meeting was rescheduled to January 4th, 2017 from 7-9pm and the regular January EDC meeting will still be held on January 25th, 2017 from 7-9pm.

8. **Adjournment-** Kagawa adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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