

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001- 105**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 3701 WHICH CREATED THE PRESENT EL CERRITO CITIZENS COMMITTEE ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CREATING A NEW CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL OPERATE IN THE MANNER DESIGNATED HEREIN**

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1975, the El Cerrito City Council adopted Resolution No. 3701 creating the Committee on Crime Prevention. Since that date, the Committee on Crime Prevention has greatly benefitted the City of El Cerrito and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined, that the present Committee on Crime Prevention should be disbanded and a new Committee should be formulated to deal with the issues of crime in the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. Resolution No. 3701 is hereby repealed and the present El Cerrito Citizens Committee on Crime Prevention is abolished.

2. A new committee, designated as the El Cerrito Crime Prevention Committee is hereby established and is charged with:

A. Developing and promoting crime prevention programs in the City of El Cerrito such as:

1. Neighborhood Watch.
2. Home security reviews when requested by City residents.
3. National Night Out.
4. Crime prevention programs in association with City schools and groups.

B. Promoting cooperation with local law enforcement.

C. Promoting citizen awareness of methods to prevent crime.

D. Making recommendations to the City Council regarding crime prevention programs.

3. The Committee shall consist of a minimum of five members and a maximum of fifteen members.

4. Upon the adoption of this resolution, the present Chair of the Citizens Committee on Crime Prevention shall submit to the City Clerk the names of those present Committee members

who have regularly attended Committee meetings over the past six months and who wish to be appointed to the new Committee. The City Clerk shall submit these names to the City Council for appointment to the new Committee. The City Council shall not be required to interview these persons prior to appointing them to the new Committee.

5. Upon adoption of this resolution, the City Clerk shall place advertisements in a local newspaper concerning the creation of this new Committee and the fact that openings are available for membership on the Committee. City residents interested in serving on the Committee shall complete an application and forward it to the City Clerk.

6. After the application period has ended, the City Council shall appoint as many members as the Council desires from the list of applicants, up to a total of 15 members, including those present members who have sought appointment to the new Committee. The City Council shall not be required to interview applicants prior to making the initial appointments.

7. After the Committee is constituted, Committee members may solicit new members if less than 15 members have been appointed to the Committee. The names of any new members solicited by the Committee shall be forwarded to the City Council for appointment. The City Council shall not be required to interview members prior to appointing them to the Committee.

8. The Committee shall be governed by the criteria contained in Section 2.04.220(B) of the El Cerrito Municipal Code except as follows:

A. Membership shall consist of a minimum of five members and a maximum of 15 members.

B. Terms are four years unless a member is removed from office by the City Council pursuant to Section 2.04.220(B)(4). Terms shall commence on the date of appointment by the City Council. Members may serve on the Committee for more than two consecutive full terms.

C. Any member who is absent for three consecutive meetings without the permission of the Chair, or any member who is absent for more than one-half of the meetings during a calendar year without the permission of the Chair, shall be treated as having resigned from the Committee. Such person shall no longer participate as a member of the Committee unless appointed by the City Council to a new term of office.

D. A quorum of the Committee shall consist of a majority of the members then appointed by the City Council. For example, if the Committee consists of seven members, four members shall constitute a quorum. If the Committee consists of 12 members, seven members shall constitute a quorum.


I certify that at a regular meeting on December 17, 2001, the El Cerrito City Council passed this resolution by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brusatori, Friedman, Moore, Perka, Abelson  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None  
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

In witness of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on December 17, 2001.

  
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Linda Giddings, City Clerk

APPROVED:

  
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Janet Abelson, Mayor

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