

EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – 6:45 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location

El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Janet Abelson – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Gabriel Quinto
Councilmember Greg Lyman

Councilmember Paul Fadelli
Councilmember Rochelle Pardue-Okimoto

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman, Pardue-Okimoto, Quinto and Mayor Abelson all present.

6:45 p.m.

CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Abelson convened the Special City Council Meeting – Closed Session at 6:47 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – No speakers.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Case name unspecified: Disclosure regarding the case would jeopardize existing settlement negotiations.

RECESSED INTO CLOSED SESSION at 6:48 p.m.

POSSIBLE REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNED SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman, Pardue-Okimoto, Quinto and Mayor Abelson all present.

7:00 p.m.

CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Abelson convened the regular City Council meeting at 7:05 p.m.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR MOMENT OF SILENCE** was led by Mayor Pro Tem Quinto.

2. **COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS/COUNCIL ASSIGNMENT AND LIAISON REPORTS**

Mayor Abelson reported that the City Council had just met in closed session and provided direction to staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Quinto reported that he attended the Contra Costa Mayors

Conference with Mayor Abelson in Danville on January 5, 2017.

Councilmember Lyman reported that he participated in a Marin Clean Energy (MCE) rate setting ad-hoc sub-committee meeting. Recommendations were made to the full MCE board. The rates get set in March for the new year. The West Contra Costa County Integrated Waste Management Authority (WCCIWMA) will be meeting on January 19 to consider the City of Richmond's request to withdraw from the Joint Powers Authority. Councilmember Lyman also announced several upcoming City Centennial events and invited all to attend.

Councilmember Fadelli reported that the entire City Council attended the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) celebration and march on January 16. It was an incredible event and Councilmember Fadelli said he is proud that El Cerrito participates in it. The event gets bigger and better every year. The MLK event was the first event of the City's Centennial year.

Mayor Abelson reported that she also represented the City at the January Contra Costa Mayors Conference. She also attended a training and forum in Sacramento offered by the League of California Cities on new marijuana legislation.

3. PRESENTATIONS – Tree Committee Workplan: Presentation by Ralph Boniello, Chair, Tree Committee.

Action: Received presentation.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Cordell Hindler, Richmond, stated that the EC Stars program provides wonderful opportunities for kids.

Al Miller, El Cerrito, thanked everyone who organized and participated in the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration event. Mr. Miller also spoke in support of Consent Calendar Item No. 5(D) Relay for Life sponsorship.

Dave Weinstein, El Cerrito Trail Trekkers, provided an informative report of the Trail Trekkers accomplishments, goals and upcoming events. Mr. Weinstein also stated that the Fairview Open space, which is adjacent to the Hillside Nature Area and has two creeks on it, could be used to expand the Hillside Nature Area.

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5A – 5F

Moved, seconded (Lyman/Quinto) and carried unanimously to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5(A) through 5(F) in one motion as indicated below.

A. Award Contract for Affordable Housing Strategy

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Strategic Economics, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$88,300 for preparation of an Affordable Housing Strategy and to authorize change orders in an amount not to exceed \$8,800.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2017-01.

B. Destruction of Inactive Police Department Records

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to destroy records in accordance with the Police Department records retention schedule established by Resolution 2005-23.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2017-02.

C. Establish All-Way Stop Signs at Belmont/San Diego and

Arlington/Potrero Intersections

Adopt two separate resolutions authorizing the Public Works Director/City Engineer to establish all-way stops at the following two intersections: 1) Belmont Avenue at San Diego Street; and 2) Arlington Boulevard at Potrero Avenue.

Actions: Adopted Resolution Nos. 2017-03 and 2017-04.

D. Relay For Life Co-sponsorship

Adopt a resolution approving City Co-Sponsorship for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life East Shore including waiver of associated fees.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2017-05.

E. Reject Bids for Ohlone Greenway BART Station Area Access, Safety, and Placemaking Improvements Project

Adopt a resolution to reject all bids submitted for the Ohlone Greenway BART Station Area Access, Safety, and Placemaking Improvements Project, City Project No. C3076, Federal Project No. CML-5239(025) and authorize City staff to proceed with value engineering measures and re-advertise the project for public bid.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2017-06.

F. Agreement with Tyler Technologies to modify the Police Department Records Management Software

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the agreement with Tyler Technologies to modify the Police Department records management software for an amount not to exceed \$86,470.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2017-07.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS – Massage Establishments

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, approve an ordinance of the City of El Cerrito amending Chapter 8.10 of the El Cerrito Municipal Code - Massage Establishments.

Presenter: Margaret Kavanaugh-Lynch, Development Services Manager.

Mayor Abelson opened the public hearing. One speaker.

Speaker: Cordell Hindler, Richmond Annex Association, said the Annex Association expressed some concerns and believes that some businesses are legitimate and that others are not.

Actions: Moved, seconded (Lyman/Quinto) and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

Moved, seconded (Lyman/Pardue-Okimoto) and carried unanimously to approve by title and waive any further reading of Ordinance No. 2017-01, an ordinance amending El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 8.10 – “Massage Establishments” by repealing it in its entirety and replacing it by adding and adopting El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 8.10. “Massage Businesses.”

6. POLICY MATTERS

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY ITEM

A. Successor Agency Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule (ROPS)

Adopt a Successor Agency resolution reviewing and authorizing submittal of the draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule 17-18.

Presenter: Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director.

Action: Moved, seconded (Lyman/Fadelli) and carried unanimously to adopt

Successor Agency Resolution No. 2017-01.

CITY COUNCIL ITEM

B. City Council Local and Regional Liaison Assignments

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

Action: The City Council concurred unanimously with Mayor Abelson's regional and local liaison appointments.

7. ADJOURNED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING at 8:32 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Item No. 3 Tree Committee Workplan

1. Businesses and Trees – Creating a Vibrant Business Community – *Submitted by Stephen Preé, Environmental Programs Manager.*

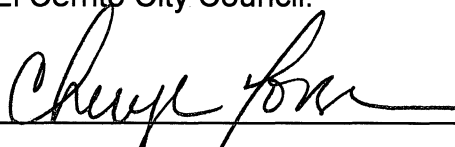
2. El Cerrito Tree Care/Tree Maintenance Notice Door Hanger – *Submitted by Stephen Preé, Environmental Programs Manager.*

Other:

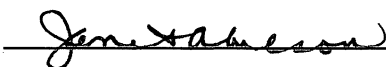
3. El Cerrito Trail Trekkers Centennial Schedule – *Submitted by Dave Weinstein, Trail Trekkers.*

4. Trail Trekkers' Accomplishments in 2016 – *Submitted by Dave Weinstein, Trail Trekkers.*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 17, 2017 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.



Cheryl Morse, City Clerk



Janet Abelson, Mayor