

# EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Tuesday, February 21, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.  
Hillside Conference Room

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Tuesday, February 21, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.  
City Council Chambers for the Consent Calendar  
Hillside Conference Room for Commission Interviews

**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

Present: Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman and Mayor Pro Tem Quinto.  
Absent: Councilmember Pardue-Okimoto and Mayor Abelson.

6:00 p.m.

### CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Quinto convened the special City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Cordell Hindler, Richmond, stated that he attended a Crime Prevention Committee meeting and that more people need to become involved in committees.

### COMMISSION INTERVIEWS, STATUS AND APPOINTMENTS

Conduct interviews of candidates for city boards and commissions.

**Action:** Four interviews completed.

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

### ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto and Mayor Abelson (arrived 7:37 p.m.)

Absent: Councilmember Pardue-Okimoto.

7:00 p.m.

### CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Quinto convened the regular City Council meeting at 7:02 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF

**MOMENT OF SILENCE** was led by Councilmember Fadelli.

## **2. COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Fadelli reported that he attended a recent Tree Committee meeting and also attended a Marin Clean Energy Board meeting with Councilmember Lyman last week.

Councilmember Lyman recognized the Ah-Lan Dance Center who held performances at El Cerrito High School over the weekend. The choreography was impressive and the traditional Chinese dance was beautiful.

## **3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Cordell Hindler, Richmond, distributed Contra Costa Theatre flyers for the "Well" performances. Mr. Hindler said he reached out to Richmond community regarding the Massage Ordinance and they were not thrilled about the ordinance. His neighborhood association voted against the proposed West County jail expansion. Mr. Hindler also spoke in support of the EC Stars program and said that the City needs more people to join committees.

Judith Tannenbaum, El Cerrito, stated that Contra Costa Sherriff Livingston wants to expand the West County Jail and cooperates with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The Contra Costa Board of Supervisors recently voted 4-1 to approve funds for the expansion. Supervisor Gioia voted against the item and wrote an op-ed piece that explains why he is opposed to the facility. Ms. Tannenbaum said it is likely that the Richmond City Council will vote to write a letter to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) opposing the West County jail expansion and urged the City Council to send a letter opposing the jail as well. Assemblymember Thurmond is also opposed to the jail expansion.

## **4. PRESENTATION – None**

## **5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item No. 5(A) through 5(E)**

Moved, seconded (Lyman/Fadelli; Ayes – Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman and Mayor Pro Tem Quinto; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Councilmember Pardue-Okimoto and Mayor Abelson) and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5A through 5E in one motion as indicated below.

### **A. Approval of Minutes**

Approve the February 7, 2017 Special City Council Closed Session and Regular City Council meeting minutes.

**Action:** Approved minutes.

### **B. Amendment of El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 8.10 – "Massage Establishments"**

Adopt 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" including a modification to the ordinance introduced on January 17, 2017 to allow affected businesses to close at 10:00 p.m. (*Vote on February 7, 2017: Unanimous*)

**Action:** Adopted Ordinance No. 2017-01.

### **C. Housing Related Parks Program Grant for Fairmont Park**

Adopt a resolution authorizing submission of an application for state funding through the Department of Housing and Community Development's a Housing Related Parks

(HRP) Program Grant in an amount not to exceed \$230,000 to provide additional funding for the Fairmont Park Improvements Project.

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 2017-08.

**D. Amendment of West Coast Code Consultants Agreement**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the professional services agreement between the City of El Cerrito and West Coast Code Consultants (WC-3) in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 bringing the total contract to an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and to extend the term of the agreement through December 31, 2017.

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 2017-09.

**E. Economic Development Committee Appointment**

Approve and Economic Development Committee recommendation appointing Laura Maurer to the Economic Development Committee, effective February 21, 2017.

**Action:** Approved recommendation. Appointed Laura Maurer.

**6. RESUME COMMISSION INTERVIEWS, STATUS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Conduct interviews of candidates for city boards and commissions. Interviews may result in an announcement of appointment at the meeting. The City Council may also discuss and determine the scheduling and structure of future interviews.

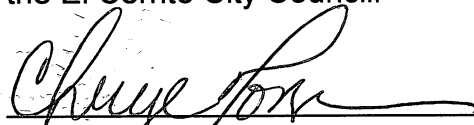
**Action:** Conducted five interviews.

**7. ADJOURNED REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING at 9:37 p.m.**

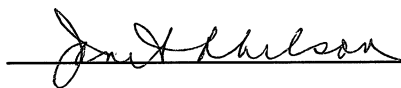
**SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Flyer "WELL" Contra Costa Theatre production – *Submitted by Cordell Hinder, Richmond.*
2. "Commentary: Contra Costa needs more prevention, not more jail cells" by John Gioia, Jane Fischberg and Claudia Jimenez – *Submitted by Judith Tannenbaum, El Cerrito.*

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of February 21, 2017 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.



Cheryl Morse, City Clerk



Janet Abelson, Mayor