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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE Monday May 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

JOIN VIA ZOOM:

<https://zoom.us/j/92408988668?pwd=THdoS3ITWlIBbGFKUGwxNGhQRitJZz09>

Meeting ID: 924 0898 8668 Passcode: 127531
or Dial in: 1-408-638-0968

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, teleconference restrictions of the Brown Act have been suspended, as well as the requirement to provide a physical location for members of the public to participate in the meeting.

Any person wishing to speak to the Urban Forest Committee on any of these matters is invited to participate via teleconference as described above.

The City encourages submission of written comments in advance to the Urban Forest Committee via email to spree@ci-el-cerrito.ca.us prior to the meeting or by contacting the staff liaison listed above.

7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

1. **ROLL CALL** – Chair Robin Mitchell; Vice-Chair Mary Torrusio; Members Cathy Bleier, Robert Hrubes, Jennifer Kaczor, Yan Linhart
2. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**
Remarks are typically limited to three minutes per person, and may be on anything within the subject matter jurisdiction of the body. Remarks on non-agenda items will be heard first, remarks on agenda items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.
3. **COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / CHANGES TO THE MEETING AGENDA**
4. **COUNCIL / STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS** – City Council Liaison Gabriel Quinto and / or City Staff may report on Council policies, priorities, and significant actions taken by the City Council, and / or matters of general interest to the Urban Forest Committee (UFC). (15 minutes)
5. **ACTION ITEMS-** Consider a motion to adopt the minutes from the April 12 UFC meeting. (5 minutes)
6. **PRESENTATION- Forest Stewardship Council: An Introductory Overview:** UFC member Robert Hrubes will provide information on this sustainable forest products certification program.(25 minutes)
7. **DISCUSSION- Tree Board University,** Committee members will review City documents related to the Urban Forest Committee in the context of the course “Tree Board 101” and consider possible action.(30 minutes)

8. URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES, CALENDAR AND WORK PLAN UPDATE : Hear updates, participate in discussion and consider possible action items that correspond with development of the Urban Forest Committee Work Plan and calendar of events. (20 minutes)

- A. Earth Day 2021- hear from UFC members on activities and possible ideas for 2022
- B. Grant Funding / Tree Fund
- C. Hillside Natural Area Planning

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- hear committee member suggestions for future UFC meeting items

- Presentation: 100K Trees for Humanity
- Tree Board University
- 2021/22 Work Plan
- Tree Fund

10. NEXT MONTH’S CITY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

- A. Environmental Quality Committee, May 11
- B. Park and Recreation Commission, May 26

11. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Staff Liaison, 510-559-7685. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title I).

Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the members regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at El Cerrito Recycling Center during normal business hours.