



AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, January 19, 2010 – 6:40 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
Tuesday, January 19, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Janet Abelson – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Ann Cheng
Councilmember William C. Jones, III

Councilmember/Agency Chair Sandi Potter
Councilmember/Agency Vice-Chair Greg Lyman

6:40 p.m. ROLL CALL

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Comments of three minutes per person are limited to items listed on this special meeting agenda only.

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 Council may also discuss scheduling of future interviews.

ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ROLL CALL

7:30 p.m. CONVENE SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** – led by Councilmember Jones.
2. **COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS** (*Reports of Closed Session, commission appointments and informational reports on matters of general interest which are announced by the City Council & City Staff.*)

3. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

All persons wishing to speak should sign up with the City Clerk. Remarks are limited to 3 minutes per person. Please state your name and city of residence for the record. Comments regarding non-agenda, presentation and consent calendar items will be heard first. Comments related to items appearing on the Public Hearing or Policy Matter portions of the Agenda are taken up at the time the City Council deliberates each action item. Individuals wishing to comment on any closed session scheduled after the regular meeting may do so during this public comment period or after formal announcement of the closed session.

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

National Night Out Award – El Cerrito Crime Prevention Committee

5. **ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Items 5A through 5D**

Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council/Redevelopment Agency and will be enacted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

A. Minutes for Approval

1. Approve the December 14, 2009 Special Joint El Cerrito City Council / West Contra Costa Unified School District Board Meeting Minutes;
2. Approve the December 21, 2001 Special City Council, Special Concurrent City Council/Redevelopment Agency Meeting and Special Redevelopment Agency Closed Session Meeting Minutes; and
3. Approve the January 11, 2010 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.

B. Proclamation Declaring January as National Blood Donor Month

Approve a proclamation proclaiming January 2010 as National Blood Donor Month in the City of El Cerrito and urging all residents to pay tribute to those who donate blood for others in need and urging residents in good health to donate regularly and urging all civic and service organizations and businesses, if they have not already done so, to form blood donor groups to provide blood for others.

C. Adopt an Ordinance Amending Financial Advisory Board Duties

First reading December 21, 2009. Vote – Unanimous

Approve by title, waive any further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2010–01 amending El Cerrito Municipal Code Section 2.04.300 – Financial Advisory Board.

D. Authorize Destruction of Police Department Records

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to destroy records listed in Exhibit “A” to the attached resolution in accordance with the police department records retention schedule established by Resolution 2005–23.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

Amendment of the Curfew Ordinance

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion introduce by title, waive first reading and approve an ordinance repealing and reenacting Chapters 10.70 of the El Cerrito Municipal Code (Minors – Activities or Places Prohibited).

7. POLICY MATTERS

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

A. Support for a West Contra Costa Unified School District Middle School in El Cerrito

Adopt a resolution supporting the West Contra Costa Unified School District Board of Education's decision to build a middle school in the City of El Cerrito serving the Portola Middle School/El Cerrito High School attendance area.

B. Council Subcommittee Appointment

At the request of Councilmember Potter, appoint two members of the City Council to form a subcommittee for the purpose of performing periodic reviews of commission appointments, terms and procedures.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

C. Amendment to Cerrito Theater Lease

Adopt a Redevelopment Agency resolution amending the Lease Agreement with Pleasantown Motion Picture Company, LLC for the operation of the Cerrito Theater as a movie theater and restaurant.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

D. Financial Reserve Policy

Consider the Financial Advisory Board's recommendation to adopt City Council and Redevelopment Agency resolutions revising the City's Comprehensive Financial Policies regarding the General Fund Reserve requirement and rescind Resolutions Nos. 2009-19 and 585.

8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Mayor Abelson Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), General Assembly Delegate, Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, League of California Cities East Bay Division Delegate, Committee on Aging, Environmental Quality Committee, Park and Recreation Commission, Disaster Preparedness Council Delegate, Pension Board, Temporary Permits Committee, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Delegate, and West County Mayors' & Supervisors' Association.
- B. Councilmember Cheng Assignments: Design Review Board, Disaster Preparedness Council Alternate, Economic Development Board, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference Alternate, Pension Board Alternate, Temporary Permits Committee, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Alternate.
- C. Councilmember Jones Assignments: Planning Commission, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA; Underground Utilities Committee, and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Delegate.

- D. Councilmember Lyman Assignments: Crime Prevention Committee, Financial Advisory Board, and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Alternate.
- E. Councilmember Potter Assignments: Arts & Culture Commission; Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly Alternate, Human Relations Commission, League of California Cities East Bay Division Alternate, Underground Utilities Committee, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA Alternate, and West County Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Alternate.

9. ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council is Monday, February 1, 2010.

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- ***The Deadline for agenda items and communications*** for the 2/1/10 meeting is Monday, 1/25/10 by 12 noon, City Clerk's Office, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, CA. Tel: 215-4305 Fax: 215-4379, email cmorse@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us
- **IF YOU CHALLENGE A DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING. ACTIONS CHALLENGING CITY COUNCIL DECISIONS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE TIME LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1094.6.**
- The City Council believes that late night meetings deter public participation, can affect the Council's decision-making ability, and can be a burden to staff. City Council Meetings shall be adjourned by 10:30 p.m., unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Council.