

CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL & REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY Monday, September 15, 2008 – 7:30 p.m. City Council Chambers

Meeting Location

El Cerrito Community Center 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito

William C. Jones, III – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Sandi Potter Councilmember Jan Bridges Councilmember Janet Abelson Councilmember Letitia D. Moore

ROLL CALL

7:30 p.m. MEETING

CONVENE CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

This place on the agenda is reserved for comments and inquiries from the public regarding matters on the agenda and matters which do not otherwise appear on the agenda. All persons wishing to speak must 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 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.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Acceptance of Law Enforcement Challenge Award
- **B.** Support Endorsement of East Bay Regional Park District's Extension of Regional Open Space, Wildlife, Shoreline and Parks Bond Presentation by Nancy Skinner, Director, East Bay Regional Parks District.
- C. Presentation by East Bay Municipal Utility District Regarding the Drought –

Presentation by Andy Katz, Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District.

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – <u>Items 5A through 5H</u>

Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council 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

Approve the August 18, 2008 Concurrent City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

B. Claims Against the City

- 1. Paul A. Daniels, Claim No. GL–008538 Reject claim per Claims Administrator.
- 2. Ethel Tramble, Claim No. GL–008601 Reject claim per Claims Administrator.
- 3. Enid S. Walker, Claim No. GL–008520 Reject claim per Claims Administrator.

C. California Arts Day

Approve a proclamation recognizing and supporting the mission of the California Arts Council to advance California through the arts and creativity by declaring October 3, 2008 "California Arts Day" in the City of El Cerrito.

D. Citiflex Plan Amendment

Adopt a resolution approving a revised Health Flexible Spending Arrangement Benefit Component (Appendix A), amended at Section A4.4 and restated effective July 1, 2008.

E. Support East Bay Regional Park District's Extension of Regional Open Space, Wildlife, Shoreline and Parks Bond

The East Bay Regional Park District's Board of Directors has requested that the City of El Cerrito consider adopting a resolution endorsing the Park District's proposed park bond extension measure to be placed on the November 2008 ballot.

F. Biennial Update of the Conflict of Interest Code

Adopt a revised Conflict of Interest Code for the City of El Cerrito and rescind Resolution No. 83 -14 and all resolutions amendatory.

G. City Council Meeting Schedule

Approve a recommendation cancelling the December 1, 2008 Regular Meeting and reschedule to Tuesday, December 2, 2008 to accommodate the Statutory Deadline for Submitting a Certified Statement of Election Results by the County.

H. Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Approve a proclamation proclaiming October 2008 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and urging all residents to actively participate in the efforts to end violence in our homes, schools and communities.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

7. POLICY MATTERS

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

A. Request for Housing Fund Assistance for Affordable Rental Development

Adopt a resolution approving the following: 1) A predevelopment loan in the amount of \$100,000 from the Housing Fund for the Living Skills Center & Family Housing Development proposed by Resources for Community Development (RCD) and the Living Skills Center for the Visually Impaired; and 2) The necessary appropriation of \$100,000 from the Housing Fund for the predevelopment loan.

CITY COUNCIL ITEM

B. City Council Recognition Process

Establish a City Council Subcommittee to Evaluate Issuance of Certificates of Recognition, Proclamations, Awards and Wall of Fame Nominations.

8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Mayor Jones Assignments: Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, Design Review Board, Disaster Preparedness Council (alternate), Economic Development Board, Pension Board; San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Sports Field JPA; Temporary Permits Committee; Underground Utilities Committee, West County Integrated Waste Management Authority (Alternate); West County Mayors' & Supervisors' Association; and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (Alternate).
- B. Mayor Pro Tem Potter Assignments: Arts & Culture Commission; Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference (Alternate); East Bay Delta Housing & Financial Agency; League of CA. Cities East Bay Div. (Alternate); Pension Board (Alternate); Sports Field JPA (alternate); Tree Committee; West County Mayors' & Supervisors' Association (Alternate); West County Regional Library Board (Delegate); and West County Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) (Alternate).
- C. Councilmember Abelson Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), General Assembly (Delegate), League of CA. Cities East Bay Div. (Delegate), Committee on Aging, Park and Recreation Commission; Environmental Quality Committee, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee; and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (Delegate).
- D. Councilmember Bridges Assignments: Crime Prevention Committee; Financial Advisory Board; Human Relations Commission; and West County Regional Library Board (Alternate).
- E. Councilmember Moore Assignments: Assoc. of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), General Assembly (Alternate); Disaster Preparedness Council; Planning Commission; Temporary Permits Committee; Underground Utilities Committee; West County Integrated Waste Management Authority (Delegate).
- 9. ADJOURN CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY in memory of Martinez Police Sergeant Paul Starzyk who was killed in the line of duty on September 6, 2008.

The next Regular City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, October 6, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

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