AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION
Tuesday, November 5, 2013 – 6:00 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, November 5, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

Greg Lyman – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Janet Abelson
Councilmember Jan Bridges

Councilmember Rebecca Benassini
Councilmember Mark Friedman

6:00 p.m. ROLL CALL
CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION
ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
   Title: City Manager
B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
   Agency Designated Representatives: City Council Subcommittee on City Manager Performance
   Designated Employee: City Manager

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – Comments limited to three minutes per person and to the item on this special meeting agenda only.
RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION
ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL – CLOSED SESSION

ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m. CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF
MOMENT OF SILENCE – Councilmember Jan Bridges.

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 typically limited to 3 minutes per person. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending upon the number of speakers. Kindly 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

International City Managers Association (ICMA) Voice of the People Awards – Presentation by Suzanne Iarla, Public Information Outreach Specialist.

Introduction to the Contra Costa Civic Theatre’s mission, season, shows and programs.

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5A through 5D

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 the Consent Calendar.

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the October 15, 2013 Regular City Council meeting minutes.

B. Ohlone Greenway Crosswalk Improvements Project, City Project No. C-3046-1, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5239 (015)

Adopt a resolution which takes the following actions: 1) Approves plans for the Ohlone Greenway Crosswalk Improvement Project. City Project No. C-3046-1, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5239 (015); 2) Accepts all submitted bids; and 3) Authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of $437,080.00 with Tennyson Electric, Inc. and approves change orders in an additional amount not to exceed $22,620 for the construction of the Ohlone Greenway Crosswalk Improvements Project.

C. Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund Budget Adjustment

Adopt a resolution approving the following actions: 1) Acknowledging the receipt of $531,152 in Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) proceeds from the El Cerrito Successor Agency to the City Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (Fund 232) to be held as restricted funds to fund approved housing loan obligations pursuant to the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) proceeds from the El Cerrito Successor Agency to the City Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund (Fund 232) to be held as restricted funds to fund approved housing loan obligations pursuant to the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) 13-14A; and 2) Authorizing the appropriation of $531,152 from the City Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund from funds received through the Successor Agency pursuant to ROPS 13-14A, to fund a loan commitment to Ohlone Gardens L.P. in the amount of $471,152 in accordance with the terms of the existing housing loan agreements.
D. 2013-2014 Winter Break and Holiday Closure

With the exception of Monday, December 30, City Hall and the Community Center will be closed for the winter holiday period beginning Tuesday, December 24, 2013 through Friday, January 3, 2014 to facilitate the consolidation of employee vacation schedules and to save energy. Regular operating hours will resume on Monday, January 6, 2014. More information and schedules will be posted on the City’s website www.ci.el-cerrito.org.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

7. POLICY MATTERS

San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan and Complete Streets Update and Study Session

Receive a presentation regarding the development of the San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan and provide comment and direction regarding proposed Development Standards, Complete Streets infrastructure improvements and Multimodal Level of Service approach.

8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

A. Mayor Lyman Assignments: Commission/Committee Rules Subcommittee, Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference, Crime Prevention Committee, East Bay Green Corridor Principal, Human Relations Commission, Municipal Services Corporation Chair, Pension Trust Board Chair, Public Financing Authority Chair, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency Chair, Tree Committee, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Alternate, West County Mayors’ & Supervisors’ Association and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Delegate.

B. Mayor Pro Tem Abelson Assignments: Committee on Aging, Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference Alternate, Contra Costa Transportation Authority Board Chair, League of California Cities East Bay Division Delegate (also attends as the Council’s Delegate to the Annual League Conference), Environmental Quality Committee, Municipal Services Corporation Vice-Chair, Pension Trust Board Vice-Chair, Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency Vice-Chair, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Delegate and West County Mayors’ & Supervisors’ Association Alternate.


E. Councilmember Friedman Assignments: Arts and Culture Commission, Association of Bay Area Governments General Assembly Alternate, Economic Development Board, Commission/Committee Rules Subcommittee, League of California Cities East Bay Division Alternate and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Alternate.

9. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California.

- Council Meetings can be heard live on FM Radio, KECG – 88.1 and 97.7 FM and viewed live on Cable TV - KCRT-Channel 28 and AT&T Uverse Channel 99. The meetings are rebroadcast on Channel 28 the following Thursday and Monday at 12 noon, except on holidays. Live and On-Demand Webcast of the Council Meetings can be accessed from the City’s website http://www.el-cerrito.org/ind-ex.aspx?NID=114. Copies of the agenda bills and other written documentation relating to items of business referred to on the agenda are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, at the El Cerrito Library and posted on the City’s website at www.el-cerrito.org prior to the meeting.
• In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk, (510) 215-4305. 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).

• **The Deadline for agenda items and communications** is eight days prior to the next meeting 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.