AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, April 1, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

Janet Abelson – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Rebecca Benassini    Councilmember Mark Friedman
Councilmember Jan Bridges           Councilmember Greg Lyman

ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m. CONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF
   MOMENT OF SILENCE – Councilmember 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. PRESENTATION
   A. Introduction of Keenan Associates – Presentation by Steve Gedestad,
      Municipality Practice Leader and Briana Overgaard, Account Manager

Keenan, the City’s new insurance broker, serves the insurance and benefit consulting needs
of public agencies. Mr. Gedestad and Ms. Overgaard will provide a brief update on the Affordable Care Act and the Covered California program.

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

   A. **Minutes for Approval**

   Approve the March 18, 2014 Regular City Council meeting minutes.

   B. **Reschedule the April 15, 2014 City Council Meeting to April 22, 2014**

   Cancel and reschedule the April 15, 2014 Regular City Council meeting to Tuesday, April 22, 2014 due to a conflict with the public and staff’s observance and celebration of Passover.

   C. **Authorize Annual Report for Landscape and Lighting Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2014–15**

   Adopt a resolution directing NBS Local Government Solutions (NBS) to prepare and file the annual Landscape and Lighting Assessment District No. 1988–1 report for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

   D. **Annual Parcel Assessment for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program and Drainage Maintenance**

   Adopt a resolution establishing the annual parcel assessment rate per the Equivalent Runoff Unit at the current rate of $38.00 for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program and Drainage Maintenance, and authorizing the Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District to adopt Stormwater Utility Area levies based on this amount.

   E. **STOP Sign on Everett Street at Portola Drive**

   Adopt a resolution authorizing the Public Works Director/City Engineer to install a STOP sign on Everett Street at Portola Drive. *Exempt from CEQA.*

   F. **Support for Assembly Bill 1504 – Preventing Toxic Cigarette Waste**

   Authorize Mayor Abelson to sign and send letters to Assemblymember Stone and other appropriate legislators and legislative bodies in support of Assembly Bill 1504 (AB 1504) preventing toxic cigarette waste to prohibit single-use plastic “filters” in cigarettes sold in California.

   G. **Support for Senate Bill 1014 – Safe and Convenient Medication Disposal**

   Authorize Mayor Abelson to sign and send letters to the authors and other appropriate legislators and legislative bodies in support of Senate Bill 1014 (SB 1014) requiring producers of pharmaceuticals to create, finance and manage a collection system for California consumers to safely and conveniently take back unwanted pharmaceuticals.

   H. **Support for Senate Bill 1086 – The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2014**

   Authorize Mayor Abelson to sign and send letters to Senator Pavley and other appropriate legislators and legislative bodies in support of Senate Bill 1086 (SB 1086) – The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2014 in California. *This document is a reporting document, and does not create or alter policy. The content is provided for informational purposes only, and is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Guidelines Section 15306.*

   I. **Annual Progress Report on the General Plan 2013**

   Receive and file the General Plan Annual Progress Report. *This document is a reporting document, and does not create or alter policy. The content is provided for informational purposes only, and is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Guidelines Section 15306.*
6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

   **Appeal to the City Council of the Planning Commission’s Action Regarding the Design Review of a Wireless Telecommunication Facility on a Utility Pole Near 7800 Eureka Avenue**

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion adopt a resolution denying an appeal of the Planning Commission’s approval of the Design Review for a wireless telecommunications facility on an existing utility pole near 7800 Eureka Avenue. *Exempt from CEQA.*

7. **POLICY MATTERS**

   A. **Selection of El Cerrito Wall of Fame Council Subcommittee**

Appoint two members of the City Council to a El Cerrito Wall of Fame Subcommittee for the purposes of reviewing a nomination and returning to the City Council with a recommendation to consider at an upcoming City Council meeting.

8. **COUNCIL LOCAL AND REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENT REPORTS**

Mayoral and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments and committee reports.

9. **ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** in memory of long-time Crime Prevention Committee member and dedicated community volunteer, John Umemoto.

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California.

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