AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall – Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue
This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call: Chair Miner, Vice-Chair Goudey, Members Benjamin, Krueger, Pavel, Schaad, Solari, Spitalnik, Weinstein, and Wildenberg

1. Council/Staff Liaisons Announcements and Reports 7:00
   Staff and/or Council Member Bridges may report on matters of general interest to the EQC, Council policies, priorities and significant actions taken by the City Council.

2. Comments from the public on non-agenda items – 7:05
   Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for comment on non-agenda items. Comments regarding items on the agenda may be brought during discussion of those items and are subject to the same limits.

3. Approval of the Minutes – 7:10
   Consider a motion adopting the minutes of the Committee meeting on October 14, 2014.

   Receive a verbal report from City Planning staff and participate in discussion regarding the status of the Animal Ordinance, passed in 2012.

5. EQC Vacancy Announcement – 7:40
   Participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding encouraging citizens to apply to be on the Committee.

6. Pollinator Safe Communities – 7:45
   Hear updates and consider possible action items and next steps regarding pollinator safe communities.

7. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) – 8:00
   Hear an update on the Marin Clean Energy Membership Analysis for El Cerrito, participate in discussion, and consider possible action items regarding CCA.

8. Revisit and Refine the EQC Work Plan and Budget – 8:10
   Participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding revisions to the annual EQC Work Plan and budget.

9. Hillside Natural Area Open Space Fundraising – 8:25
   Hear updates and consider action items regarding planning, logistics and other strategies to help raise funds for City purchase of the Madera Circle property.

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10. **Green Teams: Updates and Action Items – 8:35**

Hear updates and consider action items regarding planning, logistics, appropriations for future Green Team events, including logistics for an upcoming Midtown clean-up on Nov 15.

11. **Eco Film Series: Updates and Action Items – 8:45**

Hear updates and consider possible action items regarding planning, logistics, and appropriations for upcoming film showings.

12. **Announcements and future agenda items – 8:55**

Hear committee member announcements and suggestions for future EQC agenda items. Potentially engage in discussion and make decisions regarding logistics of EQC participation in the following.

**Consideration of Upcoming Agenda Items**

1. Trash mitigation strategies – January 2015
2. Grey Water Education – TBD
3. Hillside Natural Area Festival – TBD in May 2015
4. EQC Lecture Series/ Calendar of Events
5. Presentation to kick-off public comment period for the [Active Transportation Plan](#) – February

**Upcoming Meetings + Events | more details online at** [www.el-cerrito.org/newgreen](http://www.el-cerrito.org/newgreen)

- Midtown Green Team Clean-Up – Nov 15

13. **Adjournment – 9:00**

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