AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 8, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall – Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue
This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call: Chair Egherman, Vice-Chair Weinstein, Members Miner, Krueger, Benjamin, Wong, Dandridge, Spitalnik, Corwin, Pavel, Goudey, and Hammer

1. 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.

2. Approval of the Minutes – 7:10
   Consider a motion adopting the minutes of the Regular Committee meeting on Feb. 8 & Special Committee meeting on Jan. 25.

3. Membership Interview Subcommittee Report – 7:15
   Hear report from the Membership Interview Subcommittee that met on Tuesday March 8 at 6:30 p.m. to conduct one member interview; possibly consider a motion recommending that the City Council appoint a new member.

4. West County Single Use Bag Ordinance Feasibility Study – 7:20
   Hear a presentation from RecycleMore on the development of a feasibility study for a regional single-use bag ordinance for West Contra Costa County jurisdictions. Consider a motion recommending that the City Council support development of the study.

5. Recasting EQC Priorities, 2011 and Beyond – 7:45
   Group discussion of the ideas generated during the small group break-outs held during the February 8 Regular Committee meeting. Discuss and develop next steps for setting and addressing priorities.

6. El Cerrito Eco-Film Series – 8:20
   Hear update about upcoming Eco-Film Series event on March 12. Consider a motion to spend $750 on logo design and outreach and logistics for the Film Series ($3,918 available). Discuss and clarify the process for EQC sponsorship of these events.

7. Subcommittee Updates, and Member Assignments– 8:40
   Hear updates from subcommittee members regarding subcommittee and committee business. Confirm Subcommittee member assignments and consider motions to assign/reassign members as needed.
   • Policies and Programs: Solicit Agenda Items for the next Subcommittee meeting on March 22 @ 7 p.m. Existing: Foodware Ordinance & Communication Plan. Other items due to Schulz by noon on 3/15.
   • Community Involvement and Outreach: Report out on agenda items and recommendations from meeting on 3/1. Report on Eco-Film Series, Green Team Activities. Next meeting of this Subcommittee will be April 19.

8. Committee and liaison announcements and future agenda items – 9:00
   Hear brief announcements about Council, staff and EQC liaison activities and future EQC agenda items.
   Council Liaison Updates (Abelson)
   Staff Liaison Updates (Schultz)
   March 21: Animals Ordinance Study Session, City Council
   March 26: New Recycling Center Community Meeting
   April 16: Earth Day (Volunteers needed for EQC Table)
   April 23: Compost Giveaway (Volunteers Needed)
   May 7: Citywide Garage Sale
   May 10: CAP Workshop @ EQC Meeting
   July 4: Festival Booth Rental, EQC / ESD co-space (Volunteers Needed for Tabling)

9. Adjournment – 9:15

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