ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m.  CONVENE SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD MEETING

1.  PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE – Councilmember Janet Abelson.

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

Annual Sundar Shadi Garden Contest Awards Presentation – Acknowledgement of contest winners and presentation of awards by Anna Frankfurt, President, El Cerrito Garden Club.

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

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the June 2, 2015 Regular City Council meeting minutes.

B. Agreements with Rubicon Enterprises, Inc. and New Image Landscape Company for Landscape Maintenance Services

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the following agreements to provide landscape maintenance services for the City’s parks, athletic fields, building grounds, street medians, streetscapes, pedestrian paths, and other public right of ways for a period of three years, with an option to annually extend either or both contracts for two years thereafter, effective July 1, 2015 and contingent upon adoption of the proposed update to the Biennial Budget for Fiscal Years 2014-15 & 2015-16 and, if necessary, successful negotiations with each contractor to amend the contract to be consistent with the budget: 1) Rubicon Enterprises Incorporated at an annual cost not to exceed $98,600; and 2) New Image Landscape Company at an annual cost not to exceed $117,400.

C. Amendments to City Classification Plan

Adopt resolutions amending the City’s Classification Plan to:

1) Establish classifications for positions within the Aquatics Division, re-title and revise the class specification of Environmental Services Manager to Operations and Environmental Services Manager; and ratify the reclassification of Administrative Analyst III to Assistant to the City Manager; and

2) Establish the salaries and benefits for Aquatics Division personnel and establishing salary ranges as recommended.

D. Environmental Quality Committee Appointment

Approve an Environmental Quality Committee recommendation to appoint Charles Hargrove to the Environmental Quality Committee, effective July 14, 2015.

E. Anza National Historic Trail Interpretive Sign and Banners

Adopt a resolution approving installation of Anza National Historic Trail Interpretive Sign and banners.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

7. POLICY MATTERS

CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY / EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD ITEM

A. Approval of the City’s Fiscal Year 2015-16 Spending Authority by Fund for the City, Employee Pension Board and Public Financing Authority and Approve the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Annual Gann Appropriation Limit

Staff requests that the City Council approve the following actions:

1) Adopt a resolution authorizing Fiscal Year 2015-16 spending authority by fund for the City of El Cerrito;

2) Adopt a resolution authorizing Fiscal Year 2015-16 spending authority by fund for the El Cerrito Public Financing Authority;

3) Adopt a resolution authorizing Fiscal Year 2015-16 spending authority by fund for
the El Cerrito Employee Pension Board; and

4) Adopt a resolution approving the calculation and establishing the FY 2015-16 annual Gann Appropriation Limit.

B. Financial Advisory Board Recommendations – Submitted by Peter Vranich, Chair, Financial Advisory Board.

The Financial Advisory Board (FAB) recommends adopting the City Manager’s updates to the Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget with the following changes: 1) Identify $100,000 of savings among the list of proposed budget changes presented to the FAB on June 9, 2015 and allocate those savings of $100,000 to the general fund reserve; and 2) Any unanticipated revenues in the General Fund over and above the Adopted Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget realized by December 31, 2015 not be committed until the FAB reviews and makes recommendations for the mid-year update.

8. COUNCIL LOCAL AND REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

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

9. ADJOURN SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY / EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD MEETING

The next regular City Council meeting is Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, California.

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