



AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

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Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location

El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Gabriel Quinto – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Rochelle Pardue-Okimoto
Councilmember Paul Fadelli

Councilmember Janet Abelson
Councilmember Greg Lyman

- 6:30 p.m. ROLL CALL**
CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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 and to items on the special meeting agenda only.
[COMMISSION INTERVIEWS, STATUS, AND APPOINTMENTS](#)
Conduct an interview of a candidate for City Boards and Commissions. The interview may result in an announcement of appointment at the meeting.
ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- 7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL**
CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE** – *Mayor Pro Tem Pardue-Okimoto.*
 - 2. COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS** (*Reports on Closed Session, commission appointments and matters of general interest which are announced by the City Council and 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. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

A. [National Night Out Proclamation](#)

Approve a proclamation calling upon all residents of the City of El Cerrito to participate in “National Night Out” on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.

B. [Environmental Quality Committee Appointment](#)

Approve an Environmental Quality Committee recommendation to appoint Gisele Verrier to the Environmental Quality Committee, effective July 17, 2018.

C. [Resolution in Support of AB 1884](#)

At the request of Councilmember Fadelli, adopt a resolution in support of Assembly Bill 1884, which would prohibit specified food facilities from providing single-use plastic straws to customers except upon request.

5. PRESENTATION

[Human Trafficking Prevention and Awareness Proclamation](#)

At the request of Councilmember Abelson, approve a proclamation commending Soroptimist International for its tireless efforts in increasing awareness and education in an effort to end human trafficking; supporting the Soroptimist International Club of El Cerrito as they raise awareness, through education and other efforts; and calling upon El Cerrito residents to recognize the vital role that everyone can play in ending all forms of slavery and protecting people from human trafficking.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

[Fire Hazard Abatement](#)

1. Adopt a resolution declaring weeds, rubbish, litter, or other flammable material on certain real property identified in the resolution constitutes a public nuisance.
2. Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a resolution overriding objections by property owners and ordering the City Manager or his designee to abate certain public nuisances pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26.

7. POLICY MATTERS

[Direction on November 2018 City Charter Ballot Measure and associated Real Property Transfer Tax for Maintenance and Improvement of City Services and Facilities](#)

Adopt a resolution of the City Council of the City of El Cerrito:

1. Submitting to the El Cerrito electorate a measure to approve a City Charter and the proposed Real Property Transfer Tax to develop a locally generated and controlled funding source to be used to maintain and/or increase the current level of services and facilities provided by the City, which would become effective only if adopted by 50 percent plus one vote of the El Cerrito electorate. If voters approve the measure, the City would be converted from a General Law City to a Charter City, and the Real Property Transfer Tax would be approved.
2. Approving an ordinance authorizing a Real Property Transfer Tax to maintain and/or increase the current level of services and facilities provided by the City.
3. Requesting that the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors consent to the consolidation of this election with the statewide general election to be held on November 6, 2018 and direct the Registrar of Voters to provide all services necessary to conduct the election and print a measure on the ballot as described in Section 3 of the resolution.

8. CITY COUNCIL LOCAL AND REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

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

9. ADJOURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito.

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- 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.