AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
Environmental Quality Committee

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue

This Meeting Place is Wheelchair Accessible

7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

1. ROLL CALL – Chair Rebecca Milliken; Vice-Chair Neil Tsutsui; Members Howdy Goudey, Daniel Hamilton, Mark Miner, Elizabeth (Beth) Molnar, Alison Moreno, Sean O’Connor, Paloma Pavel, Jeff Sobul, Renee Solari, Ellen Spitalnik, Sheila Tarbet, Gisele Verrier, and Dave Weinstein

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (Estimated time: 5 minutes)
Remarks are typically limited to three minutes per person and may be on anything within the subject matter jurisdiction of the body. Remarks on non-agenda items will be heard first, remarks on agenda items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.

3. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS (10 min.)
Staff and/or Councilmember Janet Abelson may report Council policies, priorities and significant actions taken by the City Council, and/or on matters of general interest to the EQC.
- City of El Cerrito Budget Process and Strategic Plan

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (5 min.)
Consider a motion adopting the minutes of the EQC meeting on January 14, 2020.

5. PLASTIC POLLUTION PREVENTION IMPLEMENTATION (45 min.)
Hear updates, participate in discussion, and consider possible action items regarding implementation of the EQC’s Plastic Pollution Prevention efforts.
- Receive updates on the development of the Expanded Foodware Ordinance. Provide comments on the Public Draft.
- Public Meeting hosted by EQC, March 10, 2020 at 7pm in Council Chambers

6. TOOL/TOY LENDING LIBRARY (5 min.)
Participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding the development of a tool, toy, or other lending library in the City of El Cerrito.

7. COLLABORATION WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN EL CERRITO (5 min.)
Participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding the development of a program to engage young people on environmental issues.

8. EQC BUDGET AND CALENDAR OF EVENTS (20 min.)
Hear updates, participate in discussion, and consider possible action items regarding planning, logistics, and expenditures for the EQC calendar of events, including:
• Educational Events, Films, and Workshops
  • Electric Vehicle 101 Workshop – Debrief
  • Green Team Cleanups / Broom Pulls:
    • Feb. 15, Mar. 8, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, Jun. 6, Aug. 16, Oct. 23
  • Earth Day 2020 – 50th Anniversary (April 18)
  • 7th Annual Hillside Festival – May 1 – 3
  • Bike to Work Day – May 14
  • BayRen Energy Efficiency Workshop (May 21, 6pm-8pm)
  • 4th of July
  • Film Event 2020
  • SunShares 2019 Debrief / SunShares 2020 (Aug – Nov)

9. **ELECTIONS FOR CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR** *(10 min.)*
Discuss the annual nomination and election of Chair and Vice Chair of the EQC that will take place at the April EQC meeting.

10. **CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION** *(5 min.)*
Hear updates, participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding implementation of the Climate Action Plan.
  • MCE Deep Green Initiative - “20K by 2020”
  • MCE Clean Energy & California Public Utilities Commission Updates
    o Potential MCE Sourcing of Nuclear Power
    o Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA) Rate Increase
  • Implementation and Financing Options

11. **COLLABORATION WITH THE URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE** *(5 min.)*
Hear updates, participate in discussion and consider possible action items regarding collaborating with the City’s Urban Forest Committee.

12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** *(5 min.)*
Hear committee member announcements and suggestions for future EQC agenda items. Potentially engage in discussion and make decisions regarding logistics of EQC consideration of items including:
  • Urban Greening Plan Implementation
  • City Purchased Vehicles
  • Climate Adaptation, Severe Weather Events, and Emergency Preparedness
  • Wildfire Preparedness and Potential Efforts around Smoke/Air Pollution
  • Community Member Suggestions (e.g. Meatless Green Mondays, Leaf Blowers)
  • Real Property Transfer Tax Rebates for Energy Efficiency – Education
  • PG&E Emergency Power Shutoffs
  • EQC Skills/Resource List
  • Development of “Ron Egherman” Awards

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

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