AGENDA

CONCURRENT EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
Monday, September 19, 2011 – 7:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Ann Cheng – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Bill Jones
Councilmember Rebecca Benassini

Agency Chair/Councilmember Janet Abelson
Councilmember Greg Lyman

ROLL CALL

7:30 p.m. CONVENE CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – led by Councilmember Benassini.

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 limited to 3 minutes per person. Please 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. PRESENTATION

A. Falls Prevention Proclamation

Approve and present a proclamation proclaiming the week of September 18-24, 2011, as “Fall Prevention Awareness Week” in the City of El Cerrito and calling upon all residents and interested groups to observe the week with appropriate activities that promote awareness of fall prevention.
5. **ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item Nos. 5A through 5I**

*Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.*

**CITY COUNCIL ITEMS**

A. **Minutes for Approval**

Approve the August 15, 2011 Concurrent City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

B. **Contract Amendment with Hinderliter, de Llamas & Associates for Measure R Sales, Use and Transactions Tax Audit and Information Services**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract amendment with Hinderliter, de Llamas and Associates (HdL) for Sales, Use and Transaction Tax Audit and Information Services and designating HdL for examination of the State Board of Equalization confidential sales, use and transaction tax records.

C. **Approve Use of a Design-Build Project Delivery Method for the Purpose of Procuring Solar Power for Municipal Buildings**

Adopt a resolution approving the use of a design-build project delivery method as authorized by California Public Contract Code Section 20175.2 for the purpose of jointly procuring solar power for municipal buildings in four cities.

D. **Co-Sponsorship of El Cerrito High School Archiving Project Application**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Acting Recreation Director to grant co-sponsorship rates for a fundraising event at the El Cerrito Community Center on October 8, 2011 for the El Cerrito High School Archiving project.

E. **Co-Sponsorship of El Cerrito Emergency Preparedness Network Application**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Acting Recreation Director to grant free use of facilities for the El Cerrito Emergency Preparedness Network monthly meetings.

F. **Regional Approach for Development and Potential Implementation of a Single-Use Bag Ordinance**

Adopt a resolution demonstrating the City Council’s support of a regional approach to the development and potential implementation of a single-use bag ordinance, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to coordinate with RecycleMore and/or the Contra Costa Clean Water Program as one or both regional approaches are developed.

G. **Central Avenue and Liberty Street Streetscape Improvements Project – Execute a Professional Services Agreement with BKF Engineers**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with BKF Engineers for an amount not to exceed $110,151 for the Central Avenue and Liberty Street Streetscape Improvements Project to provide engineering and design services, and to approve potential change orders in an amount not to exceed $12,000.
H. **State Highways Maintenance Agreement Amendment**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Maintenance of State Highways in the City of El Cerrito

I. **Endorse Mayors for Peace**

At the request of Mayor Cheng, authorize the Mayor to register the City’s support for the abolition of nuclear weapons, join Mayors for Peace and support the Mayors for Peace Campaign.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** – None

7. **POLICY MATTERS**

**JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM**

A. **Potential Dissolution of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency, Participation in the Voluntary Redevelopment Program, and Necessary and Contingent Actions**

Staff requests the following actions of members of the Redevelopment Agency Board and the City Council:

1. Adopt a City Council resolution expressing non-binding intent to participate in the State’s Redevelopment Voluntary Payment Plan;

2. Introduce by title and waive any further reading of an ordinance of the City Council conditionally electing and implementing participation by the City and the Agency in the State’s Alternate Voluntary Redevelopment Program;

3. Adopt a City Council resolution approving and authorizing execution of a Redevelopment Agency Transfer Payment Agreement between the City and Agency; and

4. Adopt a Redevelopment Agency resolution approving and authorizing execution of a Redevelopment Agency Transfer Payment Agreement between the City and Agency.

**CITY COUNCIL ITEMS**

B. **Contra Costa County Clean Water Funding Initiative**

Receive a presentation from Jerry Bradshaw, Public Works Director, regarding the status of the Contra Costa County Clean Water Funding Initiative.

C. **Tax Anticipation Note**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Brandis Tallman for the issuance of $3,510,000 in Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes (TAN), including issuance costs, and to appropriate $17,000 for costs associated with the TAN.

8. **COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS**

A. Mayor Cheng Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly Delegate, Arts and Culture Commission, League of California Cities East Bay Division Alternate, Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference, Disaster Preparedness Council Alternate, Human Relations Commission, Pension Board, Temporary Permits Committee, and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Alternate.

B. Councilmember Abelson Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly Alternate, League of California Cities East Bay Division Delegate (also...
attends Annual League Conference in September), Committee on Aging, Environmental Quality Committee, Temporary Permits Committee, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Delegate.


D. Mayor Pro Tem Jones Assignments: Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference Alternate, Pension Board Alternate, Planning Commission, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Disaster Preparedness Council Delegate, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA; Underground Utilities Committee, West County Mayors’ & Supervisors’ Association Alternate, West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Delegate, West County Library Board Delegate.

E. Councilmember Lyman Assignments: Crime Prevention Committee, Design Review Board, Park and Recreation Commission, and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Alternate.

9. ADJOURN CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING in memory of the many brave fallen heroes and innocent civilians who lost their lives in the tragic September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and on Flight 93 in Pennsylvania.

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is October 3, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito.

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- **The Deadline for agenda items and communications** is seven 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.