



AGENDA

SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

Monday, March 7, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Hillside Conference Room

CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Monday, March 7, 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

Councilmember/Agency Chair Janet Abelson
Councilmember Greg Lyman

ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m.

CONVENE SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATION OF LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c): One potential case.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (*Comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker and to the item listed on this special agenda only.*)

RECESS INTO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURN SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

ROLL CALL

7:30 p.m.

**CONVENE CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY /
MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION MEETING**

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** – led by Councilmember Lyman.
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. **PRESENTATIONS** – None

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

Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine by the City Council/Redevelopment Agency 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.

- A. **Minutes for Approval**

Approve the February 22, 2011 Concurrent City Council/Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

- B. **New Newsrack Ordinance**

Ordinance introduced and approved by unanimous vote on February 22, 2011.

Waive second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2011–1 establishing Chapter 13.60 of the El Cerrito Municipal Code (Fixed Pedestal Newsrack Zones).

- C. **Co-Sponsor American Cancer Society Relay for Life**

Adopt a resolution approving co-sponsorship of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life El Cerrito event and waive all fees associated with the American Cancer Society’s use of Arlington Clubhouse on March 1, 2011 and Cerrito Vista Park on July 23 and 24, 2011. The Arlington Park Clubhouse will be used for the Relay’s “kick-off” meeting. Cerrito Vista Park will be used for the Relay itself.

- D. **Annual Parcel Assessment for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program (NPDES)**

Adopt a resolution establishing the annual NPDES assessment Equivalent Runoff Unit rate at the current rate of \$38.00 and direct the Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District to adopt Stormwater Utility Area levies based on said amount.

- E. **Proclamation for Women’s History Month**

Approve a proclamation proclaiming March 2011 as “Women’s History Month” in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging all residents to participate in ceremonies and events commemorating and honoring women for their countless contributions to our community and communities everywhere.

F. Proclamation Recognizing March 2011 as American Red Cross Month

Approve a proclamation proclaiming March 2011 as American Red Cross Month and encouraging all residents to be cognizant of the compassion, courage, character, civic duty that is inherent in the Red Cross mission to prevent and relieve human suffering.

G. Proclamation Honoring and Recognizing Kimi Honda on her Selection as Contra Costa College Woman of the Year

Approve a proclamation recognizing the significant contributions of Kimi Honda to the El Cerrito Community and congratulating her upon her selection as El Cerrito's 2011 Woman of the Year, particularly her recognition at the March 24, 2011 Women's History Month Celebration at Contra Costa College.

H. Proclamation Honoring and Recognizing Willa Sudduth on her Selection as California Assembly District 14 Woman of the Year

Approve a proclamation recognizing Willa Sudduth upon her designation as State Assembly District 14 Woman of the Year in the City of El Cerrito and commending her for her dedicated service to the causes that she has determinedly and ardently devoted her work to.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – None

7. POLICY MATTERS

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

A. San Pablo Avenue Specific Area Plan Update

Receive a status update on the Draft San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan, discuss options, and provide direction to staff on how to proceed with the Draft Plan.

B. 2010-2011 Mid-Year Budget Review

Review the mid-year budget and adopt a resolution to accept a parking fine increase of \$3.00 per violation to offset the State of California Mandatory Increase.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

C. Approve a Pre-Development Loan Agreement with Eden Housing, Inc.

Adopt a resolution of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency Board making findings and authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Predevelopment Loan Agreement with Eden Housing Inc. in the amount of \$350,000 from the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund for the development of a mixed-use affordable housing development at the Redevelopment Agency property located at 10860 and 10848 San Pablo Avenue and approving the appropriation of funds for the purpose of the Loan.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY/ MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION ITEM

D. Assignment by the City of El Cerrito to the El Cerrito Municipal Services Corporation of the non-housing portions of the Amended and Restated Public Improvements and Cooperation Agreement for the City of El Cerrito Redevelopment Project Area

Adopt City Council and Municipal Services Corporation Resolutions approving an Assignment Agreement, assigning the non-housing portions of the Amended and Restated Public Improvements and Cooperation Agreement for the City of El Cerrito Redevelopment Project

Area, from the City of El Cerrito to the El Cerrito Municipal Services Corporation.

Adopt a Redevelopment Agency Resolution consenting to the Assignment Agreement.

JOINT REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY / MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORP. ITEM

E. Implementation of the Amended and Restated Public Improvements and Cooperation Agreement for the City of El Cerrito Redevelopment Project Area by Adoption of the El Cerrito Municipal Services Corporation Fiscal Year 2010–11 Annual Budget and Amendment of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency FY 2010–11 Annual Budget

Adopt resolutions of the El Cerrito Municipal Services Corporation adopting its FY 2010–11 Annual Budget and of the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency amending its FY 2010–11 Annual Budget.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

F. Assignment from the Redevelopment Agency to the City of State Proposition 1C Infill Infrastructure Grant Agreement and Funds for the Ohlone Gardens Development

Adopt a Redevelopment Agency Board Resolution approving an assignment of the Agency's rights and obligations under that certain Redevelopment Agency Resolution No. 581 dated March 16, 2009 and the Housing and Community Development (HCD) Award Letter; and

Adopt a City Council Resolution accepting assignment of the Agency's rights and obligations under Redevelopment Agency Resolution No. 581 and the HCD Award Letter.

G. Conveyance of Agency–Owned Real Property to the City of El Cerrito for its Intended Redevelopment Purposes

Adopt City Council and Redevelopment Agency Resolutions authorizing execution of a Property Conveyance Agreement for conveyance of Agency–owned real property located within the El Cerrito Redevelopment Project Area to the City.

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.
- C. Councilmember Benassini Assignments: Economic Development Board, Financial Advisory Board, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA Alternate, West County Regional Library Board Alternate.
- 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 / MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is March 21, 2011.

- Council Meetings can be heard live on FM Radio, KECG – 88.1 and 97.7 FM and viewed live on Cable TV - KCRT- Channel 28. The meetings are rebroadcast on Channel 28 the following Thursday and Monday at 12 noon, except on holidays. Live and On-Demand Webcast of the Council Meetings can be accessed from the City’s website <http://www.el-cerrito.org/gov/>. Copies of the agenda bills and other written documentation relating to items of business referred to on the agenda are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, at the El Cerrito Library and posted on the City’s website at www.el-cerrito.org prior to the meeting.
- 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 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.