



AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, August 17, 2009 – 7:15 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
Monday, August 17, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

Sandi Potter – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Janet Abelson
Councilmember Greg Lyman

Councilmember/Agency Chair William C. Jones, III
Councilmember/Agency Vice-Chair Ann Cheng

ROLL CALL

7:15 p.m. CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

(Comments are limited to 3 minutes and to items listed on the Special City Council Meeting Agenda only.)

BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS

Conduct interviews of candidates for city boards and commissions. Interviews may result in an announcement of appointment at the meeting. The Council may also discuss scheduling of future interviews.

ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ROLL CALL

7:30 p.m. CONVENE SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY 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.*)
 - A. State Budget Impacts** – *Scott Hanin, City Manager.*
 - B. Report Regarding August 5, 2009 Special Redevelopment Agency Meeting** – *Bill Jones, Chair, Redevelopment Agency.*

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

- A. Recap of Blue Star Veterans Memorial Marker Ceremony** – *presentation by Tom Panas.*
- B. Police Training Program** – *presentation by Sergeant Robert De La Campa..*

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Items 5A through 5H

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.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT ITEM

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the following: 1) July 7, 2009 Special City Council Meeting, Special Concurrent El Cerrito City Council/Redevelopment Agency/Pension Trust Board and Public Financing Authority Meeting and Special Concurrent City Council/Redevelopment Agency Closed Session Meeting Minutes; and 2) August 5, 2009 Special Redevelopment Agency Closed Session Meeting Minutes.

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

B. Committee on Aging Appointments

Approve a recommendation appointing Chad M. Shepard and Mary Queen to the Committee on Aging.

C. 1715 Elm Street Environmental Review

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Pacific Municipal Consultants (PMC) in an amount not to exceed \$41,397 to perform environmental review

services for the 1715 Elm Street condominium project.

D. Establish the Police Captain and Police Lieutenant Job Classifications

Adopt a resolution amending the City's Classification Plan to establish the classification of Police Captain and Police Lieutenant and authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Public Safety Management Group regarding the Police Captain and Lieutenant positions, utilizing the Police Commander Memorandum as the guide, and to establish the salary ranges, as recommended.

E. Modify the Job Description and Retitle the Police Secretary Classification to Police Executive Assistant

Adopt a resolution amending the City's Classification Plan to modify the job description for Police Secretary and retitle the position as Police Executive Assistant and affirm the salary range.

F. Traffic and Parking Control Items

Adopt resolutions authorizing the Public Works Director/City Engineer to:

1. Remove a total of 94 feet of green curb markings and corresponding sign fronting 5833 Central Avenue as follows:
 - A) 57 feet of green curb marking and sign on Yosemite Avenue; and
 - B) 37 feet of green curb marking on Central Avenue.
2. Install a STOP sign on Bates Avenue at its intersection with Terrace Drive.
3. Implement curb marking modifications and traffic control measures around Fairmont Elementary School as follows and shown in Exhibit A:
 - A) Install consolidated, 200-foot-long loading zone with white curb markings and signs in front of the school on Kearney Street, increasing the loading zone by 100 feet.
 - B) Relocate the existing 100-foot-long green curb marking on Kearney to the south of the new raised crosswalk and add signs indicating parking is limited to no longer than fifteen consecutive minutes at any time between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.
4. Install stop signs on Lexington Avenue at Eureka Avenue

G. Paving Program Change Order Status Report

On April 6, 2009 the City Council awarded two major contracts for street paving. Those actions included approving contract contingency funding at higher-than-normal levels. The Council conditioned the awards on having staff report back to the Council on any change orders totaling more than \$75,000. This will serve as that status report for the two projects. Staff has not executed any change orders so far on either project, but we have authorized additional work in some instances, and are very close to finalizing additional work in other cases. *(Receive and file)*

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM

H. Authorization to Execute an Agreement with BART Consenting to a Temporary Construction Easement Deed on the Target Property

Adopt a Redevelopment Agency resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a consent agreement with the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) for a temporary construction easement deed on the Target Property.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – None**7. POLICY MATTERS****A. Engage Godbe Research to Perform Voter Research on Potential Future Revenue Measures**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Godbe Research to undertake a voter survey to ascertain voter opinions related to the funding of future facilities and possible interim revenue measures resulting from the weakened local economy and the recent significant State takeaways.

B. Firefighters Local 1230 Memorandum of Understanding

Adopt a resolution approving a four year extension to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 1230 specifying compensation, benefits and working conditions for firefighters.

C. Financial Software Upgrade

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an additional contract with New World Systems (NWS) of \$141,600 for the upgrade of financial software. Costs of the project include necessary hardware, implementation and some additional software. The total cost of the project shall not exceed \$200,000 with funding of \$75,000 existing in the Capital Improvement Program and \$125,000 appropriated from the Equipment Replacement Fund.

8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

A. Mayor Potter Assignments: Arts & Culture Commission; Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) General Assembly Alternate, Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference, Disaster Preparedness Council, East Bay Delta Housing & Financial Agency, Human Relations Commission, League of California Cities East Bay Division Alternate, Pension Board, Temporary Permits Committee, Underground Utilities Committee, West County Mayors' & Supervisors' Association, West County Regional Library Board Delegate, and West County Unified School District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Alternate.

B. Councilmember Abelson Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), General Assembly Delegate, Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference Alternate, League of California Cities East Bay Division Delegate, Committee on Aging, Environmental Quality Committee, Park and Recreation Commission, Pension Board Alternate, West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Delegate, and West Contra Costa County Mayors and Supervisors Association Alternate.

C. Councilmember Cheng Assignments: Design Review Board, Economic Development Board, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Alternate.

D. Councilmember Jones Assignments: Disaster Preparedness Council Alternate, Planning Commission, San Pablo Avenue Area Specific Plan Committee, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA; Temporary Permits Committee; Underground Utilities Committee, West County Regional Library Board Alternate, and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Delegate.

E. Councilmember Lyman Assignments: Crime Prevention Committee, Financial Advisory

Board, Tom Bates Regional Sports Field JPA Alternate, Tree Committee and West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Alternate.

9. ADJOURN CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council is Monday, September 21, 2009.

- 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*** for the 09/21/09 meeting is Monday, 09/14/09 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.