



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 13, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall – Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue

This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call: Chair Egberman, Vice-Chair Weinstein, Members Miner, Krueger, Benjamin, Dandridge, Spitalnik, Corwin, Pavel, Goudey, Huang, and Solari

1. Comments from the public on non-agenda items – 7:00

Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for comment on non-agenda items. Comments regarding items on the agenda may be brought during discussion of those items and are subject to the same limits.

2. Approval of the Minutes – 7:05

Consider a motion adopting the minutes of the Regular Committee meeting on November 8, 2011, the Special Membership on October 11, 2011, and the Policy and Programs Subcommittee on May 31, 2011.

3. Chair and Vice-Chair Statements and Elections – 7:10

Hear nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair, statements from nominees and Committee membership, and hold elections for Chair and Vice-Chair. Elections were originally scheduled to occur in January, but have been moved up at the suggestion of the Chair.

4. Report on Subcommittee Assignments and Structure – 7:20

As per staff communication at the last regular meeting, the City Attorney has been asked to review EQC subcommittees. Staff will update the Committee once an opinion has been provided. Staff will also update the Committee regarding plans for Brown Act training.

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5. Form Ad Hoc Subcommittee to establish 2012 EQC Goals / Priorities – 7:30

Per suggestion at last meeting, consider a motion forming and assigning members to an ad hoc subcommittee to develop a process to help the EQC establish its 2012 Goals and Priorities.

6. EQC Film Series update – 7:45

Hear update from Eco Film Series group with updates regarding planned New Metropolis Film event.

7. Food Ware Policy Recommendation – 8:00

Consider a motion approving a memo to the Environmental Services Division recommending that staff incorporate specific elements pertinent to the food ware policy, previously discussed by the Committee, into upcoming revisions to the City's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Policy.

8. Consideration of upcoming Green Team Events, and Updates – 8:15

Hear report from Weinstein regarding a possible Green Team Broom Pull event on 1/21/2012 and consider a motion for the EQC to sponsor this event. Hear highlights from recent events.

9. Committee activity and project updates – 8:30

Hear updates from members regarding Committee business and activities. Provide feedback and direction on other activities/projects as needed. Consider motions to hold any needed publicly noticed subcommittee meetings.

10. Announcements and future agenda items – 8:45

Hear brief announcements about Council, staff and EQC liaison activities, member announcements, and suggestions for future EQC agenda items.

Staff Announcements:

- County IPM Committee Announcement
- Recycling Center Update

11. Adjournment – 9:00

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