AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 6, 2012 – 6:40 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 6, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION
Tuesday, March 6, 2012 – Immediately Following the Municipal Services Corporation Meeting
Hillside Conference Room

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

Bill Jones – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Lyman
Councilmember Ann Cheng
Councilmember Rebecca Benassini
Councilmember Janet Abelson

6:40 p.m.  ROLL CALL

CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person and to this special agenda only.

COMMISSION INTERVIEWS, STATUS AND APPOINTMENTS

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

ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ROLL CALL

7:00 p.m.  CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – led by Mayor Pro Tem 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

A. RecycleMore Household Hazardous Waste Program Video – Nicole Forte, Programs Manager, RecycleMore

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

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.

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the February 21, 2012 Special City Council Closed Session and Regular City Council meeting minutes.

B. Proclamation proclaiming March 2012 as Red Cross Month

Approve a proclamation proclaiming March 2012 as American Red Cross Month in the City of El Cerrito and encouraging all residents to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

C. Defense of Bay Delta Issues From a Regional Perspective

At the request of Mayor Jones, adopt a resolution identifying the City of El Cerrito as a stakeholder with other County, Contra Costa County cities, Special Districts and other agencies and organizations, for the purpose of articulating mutual interests on Bay-Delta issues and as a stakeholder to resolve to work together to defend Bay-Delta related interests from a regional perspective. The resolution also identifies principles of mutual interest.

D. Confirm Committee on Aging Appointment

Approve a Committee on Aging recommendation to appoint Vera Gibbs Winston to the Committee on Aging, effective March 7, 2012.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None
7. POLICY MATTERS
   
   A. **I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility Project Memorandum of Understanding**
   
   Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the I-80 Integrated 
   Corridor Mobility Project, Memorandum of Understanding (Exhibit A to the Resolution) and to 
   make non-substantive changes subject to the review of the City Attorney.
   
   B. **Authorization to Cast Ballots for the 2012 Clean Water Program**
   
   Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to cast ballots for the 2012 Community Clean 
   Water Initiative in the affirmative for all parcels owned by the City of El Cerrito, and to submit 
   those ballots to the proper authority by April 6, 2012.
   
8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS
   
   A. Mayor Jones Assignments: Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference, Crime Prevention 
   Committee, Design Review Board, Disaster Preparedness Council Delegate, Municipal Service 
   Corporation Chair, Oversight Board of the Successor Agency for the Former El Cerrito 
   Redevelopment Agency, Pension Board Chair, Temporary Permits Committee, Tom Bates 
   Regional Sports Field JPA, Underground Utilities Committee, West County Integrated Waste 
   Management Authority Alternate and West County Mayors’ & Supervisors’ Association.
   
   B. Mayor Pro Tem Lyman Assignments: Commission/Committee Rules Subcommittee, 
   Contra Costa County Mayors’ Conference Alternate, Disaster Preparedness Council Alternate, 
   Economic Development Board, Municipal Services Corporation Vice-Chair, Pension Board 
   Alternate, Planning Commission, Tree Committee, West County Integrated Waste Management 
   Authority Delegate and West County Mayors’ & Supervisors’ Association Alternate.
   
   C. Councilmember Abelson Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) 
   General Assembly Alternate, Committee on Aging, Contra Costa Transportation Authority, 
   Environmental Quality Committee, League of California Cities East Bay Division Delegate and 
   West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee Delegate.
   
   D. Councilmember Benassini Assignments: Arts and Culture Commission, Park and 
   Recreation Commission, Redevelopment Agency Vice-Chair, and Tom Bates Regional Sports 
   Field JPA Alternate.
   
   E. Councilmember Cheng Assignments: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) 
   General Assembly Delegate, Commission/Committee Rules Subcommittee, Financial Advisory 
   Board, Human Relations Commission, League of California Cities East Bay Division Alternate, 
   Redevelopment Agency Chair and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee 
   Alternate.
   
9. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
   
   The next City Council meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The 
   meeting will take place in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El 
   Cerrito. **A meeting of the Municipal Services Corporation follows immediately after this 
   Concurrent City Council/Successor Agency to the El Cerrito Redevelopment Agency meeting.**
   
10. RECESS TO ATTEND THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES CORPORATION 
    MEETING (Noticed by separate agenda)

11. CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION
ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiators (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: Scott Hanin, City Manager, Glenn Berkheimer, Labor Negotiator, Sky Woodruff, City Attorney and Sukari Beshears, Employee Services Manager

Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union Local 1201 and Unrepresented Employees

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (Comments are limited to three minutes and to items on this Special City Council Closed Session agenda only.)

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

POSSIBLE REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION

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- 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.