RESOLUTION NO. 2017-69

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2007-96 TO CHANGE THE NAME AND SERVICE TERMS OF THE TREE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, in 2007 the Urban Forest Management Plan identified several goals for the stewardship of the City's urban forest, including establishing and maintaining a citywide commitment to a healthy, growing urban forest, and creating a coordinated, high quality urban forestry management program including a Community Tree Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City Council established the Tree Committee by Resolution 2007-96 on November 19, 2007 to not only serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council regarding trees but also to educate residents in the proper planting, growth and maintenance of trees throughout the City; and

WHEREAS the duties and responsibilities of the Tree Committee also include recommending programs, policies, and ordinances to implement the Urban Forest Management Plan and to foster public awareness, education, interest, and support for urban forestry efforts; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2017, the Tree Committee passed a motion recommending that the name of the Tree Committee be updated and changed to the Urban Forest Committee in order to better reflect the duties and responsibilities of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, changing the name of the Tree Committee to the Urban Forestry Committee is consistent with the Tree Committee's duties and responsibilities as outlined in the enabling resolution; and

WHEREAS, when the Tree Committee was established in 2007, terms of service were set at four years commencing on January 1, and in 2013, by Ordinance No. 2013-06, the City Council modified all four-year terms for boards, commissions, and committees to commence on March 1; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that terms on the Tree Committee harmonize with board and commission terms to streamline the City's recruitment and appointment process.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Cerrito hereby changes the name of the Tree Committee to the Urban Forest Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms for members of this Committee are four years. Members appointed after the adoption of this resolution will have terms commencing on March 1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.
I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on September 19, 2017 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Fadelli, Lyman, Pardue-Okimoto, Quinto, and Mayor Abelson
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on September 21, 2017.

Cheryl Morse, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Janet Abelson, Mayor