

Public Works Department

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TREE COMMITTEE

Monday March 10, 2014 - 7:00 p.m. El Cerrito City Hall

Hillside Conference Room 10890 San Pablo Avenue

1. Roll Call-7:00

2. Comments from the Public on non agenda items- 7:05

Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for comment on non-agenda items and topics not concerning view obstruction. Comments regarding items on the agenda may be made during discussion of those items and are subject to the same limits.

3. Report from City Council Liaison- 7:12

The new Council liaison Mayor Janet Abelson will provide an update on recent City Council activities.

4. Report from the City Arborist- 7: 25

Stephen Prée will report on recent activities pertaining to City trees and Urban Forestry including an update on progress made with City street tree pruning, his presentation at the March 4 City Council meeting and the requirements for becoming a Tree City USA.

5. Action Items- 7:40

• Approval of the minutes from February 10, 2014

6. Report from the Community Tree Planting Grant subcommittee- 7:45

The committee will report on the February 15 Invest From the Ground Up volunteer tree planting event on Avila, El Dorado Streets and Carlson Blvd. and discuss implementation of required future maintenance activities.

7. Report from the Invest From The Ground Up business outreach campaign subcommittee – 7:55

The committee will report on survey participant responses, lead a discussion on the outreach brochure draft and discuss brochure distribution.

Note: Subcommittee members need to schedule a final review of the outreach brochure and web banner artwork the week of March 17.

8. Report from the Arbor Day subcommittee- 8:10

The subcommittee will report on plans for planting trees in Cerrito Vista Park on Wednesday March 12 From 11:00 -12:30 with the El Cerrito Garden Club and the Portola Middle School 7th Grade Science class.

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9. Trees in All Policies workshop update- Ralph Boniello, Mike Charlton- 8:20

Committee members Boniello & Charlton will make a presentation on their attendance at the recent California ReLeaf workshop February 25.

10. Discussion of the 2014/15 Tree Committee work plan- 8:30

All City of El Cerrito Boards, Commissions and Committees are to develop periodic work plans that will be reviewed on an annual basis. The Chair or designee will present the body's plan to the City Council on an annual basis.

Staff liaison Prée will lead a preliminary discussion regarding the production f a work plan.

11. Announcements - 8:45

12. Discussion of future committee actions and agenda items - 8:50

13. Adjournment- 9:00

Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the Tree Committee regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the El Cerrito Recycling + Environmental Resource Center located at 7501 Schmidt Lane during normal business hours.