CITY OF EL CERRITO
CITY COUNCIL
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, January 7, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.
Community Center Conference Room

SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
Monday, January 7, 2008 – 8:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Meeting Location
Council Chambers, Community Center
7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito

ROLL CALL
Present: Councilmembers Abelson, Potter and Mayor Jones.
Absent: Councilmembers Bridges and Moore

Mayor Jones convened the Special City Council Meeting at 6:34 p.m.

6:30 p.m. CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

COMMISSION CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

The City Council will conduct interviews of applicants for the Human Relations, Parks and Planning Commissions. Interviews may result in an announcement of appointment at the meeting.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING at 8:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Abelson, Potter and Mayor Jones.
Absent: Councilmembers Bridges and Moore

Mayor Jones convened the Concurrent City Council/Redevelopment Meeting at 8:34 p.m.
8:30 p.m. CONVENE CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by Mayor Jones.

2. COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Jones and Councilmember Abelson announced the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration and Parade on January 21, 2008. The parade will assemble at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Motor Vehicles, Manila and Kearney, will start at 10:30. Festivities at the Community Center will start at 11:00 a.m.

3. PRESENTATIONS

City Marketing Materials and Shop El Cerrito Marketing Campaign were presented by Dwayne Dalman, Administrative Analyst.

Action: Withdrawn by the City Manager and re-scheduled to the meeting of January 22, 2008.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Rosemary Loubal, El Cerrito, reported on a fallen tree at Canyon Trail Park, the Urban Forest Plan and park maintenance.

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

Moved, seconded, carried (Potter/Abelson; Ayes – Abelson, Potter and Jones; Noes – None; Absent – Bridges and Moore) to adopt the Consent Calendar, including a revised resolution for Item 5(B) in one motion.

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the City Council Special Closed Session Meeting and City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2007.

Action: Approved minutes.

B. Red Curb Markings on Eastshore Boulevard and Terrace Drive

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Public Works Director/City Engineer to install red curb markings at the following locations: 1) Eastshore Boulevard, east side, 18 feet to the north and 30 feet to the south of the driveway serving NEK Insurance (11481 San Pablo Avenue); and 2) Terrace Drive at Balra Drive, southwest corner, 90 feet to the east of the existing marked crosswalk on Terrace Drive.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2008–1 as revised.
C. **2008 Goal Setting Worksession**
Approve a recommendation to schedule a special meeting of the City Council regarding 2008 goal setting on February 23, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. at the El Cerrito Community Center.

**Action:** Approved recommendation.

D. **State-Franchised Video Service Providers**
Waive full reading and adopt second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 14.12 of the El Cerrito Municipal Code – Cable, Video and Telecommunication Service Providers Regulatory Ordinance, with regard to state franchised video providers, in compliance with state law.


**REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEM**

E. **Redevelopment Agency Annual Reports for FY 2006 –2007**
Receive and file Redevelopment Agency Annual Reports for Fiscal Year 2006–07.

**Action:** Received and Filed.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING**

A. **Zoning Ordinance**

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, approve by title, waive further reading and adopt first reading of an Ordinance which repeals Title 19 (“Zoning”) and the associated Zoning Map, and Chapter 16.36 (“Sign Regulations”) of Title 16 (“Buildings and Construction”) of the El Cerrito Municipal Code and adopts a new Zoning Ordinance as Title 19 (“Zoning”) and a new associated Zoning Map.

**Presenter:** Jennifer Carman, Planning Manager.

**Action:** Moved, seconded, carried (Potter/Abelson; Aye–Abelson, Potter, and Jones; Noes – None; Absent – Bridges, Moore) to receive public testimony this evening and continue the public hearing to January 22, 2008.

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing. No speakers.

7. **POLICY MATTERS**

A. **City Council Liaison Reorganization and Assignments** *(Held over from December 17, 2007)*

Discuss City Council appointments to local boards, commission and committees and regional bodies and approve appointments for 2008.

**Action:** Mayor Jones announced changes in 2008 City Council Liaison Local and Regional Assignments.
8. COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

A. Mayor Jones reported on attendance at the Contra Costa Mayors Conference. Measure AA for the East Bay Regional Park District is up for renewal in the November 2008 Election at its current rate. Funds are used primarily for development and acquisition of parks with money available for local cities within the district. El Cerrito received approximately $455,000 in 1988 from the measure and is slated to receive $1 million seventy-nine thousand dollars if the measure passes.

B. Mayor Pro Tem Potter – No report.

C. Councilmember Abelson announced corrections to a listing of 2007 liaison assignments.

D. Councilmember Bridges – Absent, no report.

E. Councilmember Moore – Absent, no report.

Speaker: Sylvia Levinson, El Cerrito, expressed concerns about the library.

REVISED AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS

Item No. 5B Red Curb Markings on Eastshore Boulevard and Terrace Drive

1. Revised Resolution and Exhibit submitted by the Public Works Department

Item No. 7A 2008 Council Representative / Liaison Assignments

2. Updated Assignment List submitted by Mayor Jones

9. ADJOURNED at 8:53 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special City Council and Special Concurrent City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting of January 7, 2008 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.

Cheryl Morse, City Clerk and Secretary to the Redevelopment Agency

William C. Jones, III, Mayor