AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE
Monday June 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

JOIN VIA ZOOM:
https://zoom.us/j/97594764917?pwd=cG1FUU9kSUfK0l3VG5ZUWpgURjQT09
Meeting ID: 975 9476 4917 Passcode: 768852
or Dial in: 1-408-638-0968

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, teleconference restrictions of the Brown Act have been suspended, as well as the requirement to provide a physical location for members of the public to participate in the meeting.

Any person wishing to speak to the Urban Forest Committee on any of these matters is invited to participate via teleconference as described above.

The City encourages submission of written comments in advance to the Urban Forest Committee via email to spree@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us prior to the meeting or by contacting the staff liaison listed above.

7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

1. ROLL CALL - Chair Robin Mitchell; Vice-Chair Robert Hrubes; Members Cathy Bleier, Jennifer Kaczor, Yan Linhart

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC-
Remarks are typically limited to three minutes per person, and may be on anything within the subject matter jurisdiction of the body. Remarks on non-agenda items will be heard first, remarks on agenda items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.

3. COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / CHANGES TO THE MEETING AGENDA

4. COUNCIL / STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS- City Council Liaison Gabriel Quinto and / or City Staff may report on Council policies, priorities, and significant actions taken by the City Council, and / or matters of general interest to the Urban Forest Committee (UFC). (15 minutes)

5. PRESENTATION: 100K Trees for Humanity-
Founder and Chief Planting Officer, Amos White will provide information on this community program that aims to plant 100,000 trees in Alameda to help mitigate climate change. (25 minutes)

6. ACTION ITEMS- (10 minutes)
   A. Consider a motion to adopt the minutes from the April 12 UFC Meeting.

   B. Consider a motion to recommend to City Council the appointment of Cassie Hughes to the UFC
7. **DISCUSSION- Tree Board University**, Committee members will continue discussions and consider possible action regarding this eight chapter course sponsored by the US Forest Service and the Arbor Day Foundation about serving on a local tree advisory board; Chapter Two “Partnerships & Collaboration”.  
*(20 minutes)*

8. **URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES, CALENDAR AND WORK PLAN UPDATE**: Hear updates, participate in discussion and consider possible action items that correspond with development of the Urban Forest Committee Work Plan and calendar of events. *(30 minutes)*

   A. Earth Day 2021- hear from UFC members on activities and possible ideas for 2022
   B. Grant Funding / Tree Fund
   C. Hillside Natural Area Planning

9. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**: hear committee member suggestions for future UFC meeting items

   - Tree Board University
   - 2021/22 Work Plan
   - City Tree Budget

10. **NEXT MONTH’S CITY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

    A. Environmental Quality Committee, July 13
    B. Park and Recreation Comission, June 23

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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