



AGENDA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Members:

Mayor Gabe Quinto
Mayor Pro Tem Lisa Motoyama · Councilmember Janet Abelson
Councilmember Paul Fadelli · Councilmember Tessa Rudnick

Meeting Location:

Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530

Consistent with the Brown Act as amended by AB 361 (2021), members of the City Council, staff, presenters and the public may participate in-person at the location listed above, or remotely via zoom. **In-person attendance will be limited to available seats and designated accessible spaces only (no standing room) with chairs spaced to encourage social distancing. Masks are strongly recommended ([full in-person protocols available here.](#))**

Interested individuals can also participate or view the City Council meeting as follows:

1. Cable T.V. Broadcast on KCRT Channel 28
2. Livestream Online at www.el-cerrito.org/CouncilMeetingMaterials
3. Via Zoom (*Closed captioning available*):
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85099837545?pwd=dU8zdXdreUhnZmdVei9PQkRocG52dz09>
Dial in: 1-408-638-0968 **Meeting ID:** 850 9983 7545 **Password:** 429972

Each period for public comment will be announced. Public Comments may be submitted one of the following ways:

1. In-person by submitting a request to speak to the City Clerk.
2. Via Zoom using the "[Raise Hand](#)" icon to request to speak. If joining by phone, dial *9 to "raise your hand", and when prompted by the host, *6 to unmute/mute.
3. Via email to cityclerk@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us. Email must contain in the subject line **Public Comments – Not on Agenda or Public Comments – Agenda Item #.**

To ensure City Council receives your written comments prior to taking action, they must be received by **4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting**. All written comments received by this deadline will be provided to the City Council and posted online in advance of the meeting. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to the City Council and included with supplemental materials **after the meeting**. **No written comments will be read into the record.**

6:00 P.M. ROLL CALL – CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF A MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. TELECONFERENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

3. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Reports of closed session, commission appointments and informational reports on matters of general interest which are announced by the City Council and staff.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for public comment to facilitate the completion of business on the agenda. 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 will be heard prior to the City Council taking action on each item.

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the consent calendar shall be acted upon in one motion, unless a member of the City Council or staff request separate consideration.

A. Hispanic Heritage Proclamation

Action Proposed: Pass a motion to approve a proclamation declaring September 15, 2022- October 15, 2022 as Hispanic Heritage Month, by recognizing and celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst, Human Resources

B. Suicide Prevention Awareness Proclamation

Action Proposed: Pass a motion to approve a proclamation declaring September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in the City of El Cerrito.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst, Human Resources

C. Authorize City Council and City Advisory Body Meetings to be Held Via Teleconference Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361)

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing City Council and City Advisory Body meetings to be held via teleconference for a period of 30 days, and making related findings pursuant to AB 361.

Contact: Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk, City Management

D. Biennial Update of Agency Conflict of Interest Code

Action Proposed: Adopt a Resolution revising the Conflict of Interest Code for the City of El Cerrito, including filing requirements for related agency positions such as the Public Financing Authority, the Employee Pension Board, and the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency and rescinding Resolution No. 2020-47.

Contact: Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk, City Management

E. Adoption of the Amended 2022 City of El Cerrito Emergency Operations Plan

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution amending the City of El Cerrito Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) adopted on May 3, 2022 to include a promulgation and statement regarding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Contact: Jose Castrejon, Battalion Chief, Training Division, Fire Department; Eric Saylors, Fire Chief, Fire Department

F. Storm Drain Easement Acceptance and Agreement for 331 Ramona Avenue

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution accepting a Storm Drain Easement from Nathan Louie, "Owner", for public storm drain facilities located at 331 Ramona Avenue and authorizing the City Manager to execute an Easement Agreement.

Contact: Roland Lambert, Acting Engineering Manager/Senior Engineer, Public Works Department; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer

G. Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for June 2022 and July 2022

Action Proposed: Receive and file the Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for the months of June 2022 and July 2022

Contact: Sandra Dalida, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

H. FY 2021-22 Fourth Quarter Cash and Investment Report

Action Proposed: Receive and file the City's quarterly investment report
Contact: Sandra Dalida, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

I. Amendment to City of El Cerrito Investment Policy

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution to approve the City of El Cerrito Investment Policy with amendments as recommended by the Financial Advisory Board.

Contact: Karen Pinkos, City Manager, City Management; Sandra Dalida, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

J. Amendment to City Comprehensive Financial Policy

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution amending the City of El Cerrito Comprehensive Financial Policy to include a new section requiring regular budget reports to the City Council.

Contact: Karen Pinkos, City Manager, City Management; Sandra Dalida, Finance Director/City Treasurer and Financial Advisory Board Staff Liaison, Finance Department

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) Wildcat Pipeline Project Update

Action Proposed: Receive and file a presentation from East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) regarding the upcoming large-diameter Wildcat Pipeline project.

Contact: Gus Cicala, P.E., Associate Civil Engineer; Mona Favorite-Hill, Senior Community Affairs Representative, EBMUD

B. Presentation by Contra Costa County Health Services on Measure X

Action Proposed: Receive and file a presentation by Contra Costa Health Services regarding engaged and initiated activities with the support of Measure X funding.

Contact: Lavonna Martin, Deputy Director, Contra Costa County Health Services

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Cost Hearing Regarding Fire Hazard Abatement of a Public Nuisance for Properties Identified and pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26

Notice published 9/10/2022

Action Proposed: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion adopt a resolution confirming the cost of abatement of public nuisance conditions resulting from the presence of weeds, rubbish, litter or other flammable material on private properties designated in Exhibit A to the resolution as authorized by El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26.

Contact: Chase Beckman, Fire Marshal, Fire Department; David Yun, Fire Prevention Officer, Fire Department

8. POLICY MATTERS

A. Consideration to End the Local Emergency

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution proclaiming the end of the local emergency in the City of El Cerrito in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as of December 31, 2022, and directing staff to return with applicable legislation related to temporary regulations enacted during the local emergency.

Contact: Karen Pinkos, City Manager, City Management

B. FY 2021-22 General Fund Budget Quarterly Update through June 2022

Action Proposed: Receive and file the FY 2021-22 General Fund Budget Quarterly Update through June 2022.

Contact: Sandra Dalida, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

9. CITY COUNCIL LOCAL & REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments and committee reports.

10. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The City of El Cerrito serves, leads and supports our diverse community by providing exemplary and innovative services, public places and infrastructure, ensuring public safety and creating an economically and environmentally sustainable future.

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- In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk, 510-215-4305. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title I).
- ***The Deadline for agenda items and communications*** is eight days prior to the next meeting by 12 noon, City Clerk's Office, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, CA. Tel: 510-215-4305, email cityclerk@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us
- IF YOU CHALLENGE A DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING. ACTIONS CHALLENGING CITY COUNCIL DECISIONS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE TIME LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE SECTION 1094.6.
- 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 11:00 p.m., unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Council.