

**EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL
EL CERRITO PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
EL CERRITO EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD**

MINUTES

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION

**Tuesday, July 15, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
Hillside Conference Room**

**SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL MEETING /
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, July 15, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers**

Meeting Location
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Janet Abelson – Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Rebecca Benassini
Councilmember Jan Bridges

Councilmember Mark Friedman
Councilmember Greg Lyman

6:30 p.m. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Benassini, Bridges, Friedman, Lyman and Mayor Abelson

CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Abelson convened the special City Council Meeting – Closed Session at 6:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (*Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6*)

Agency Designated Representatives: Scott Hanin, City Manager, Karen Pinkos, Assistant City Manager, Glenn Berkheimer, Labor Negotiator, and Sky Woodruff, City Attorney.

Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union Local 1021

International Association of Fire Fighters Local 1230

El Cerrito Police Employees Association

El Cerrito Public Safety Management

Unrepresented Employees

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mariya Limone stated that she is a part-time employee at the Senior Center where she works as a Café Manager. Ms. Limone stated that she has heard that it is not looking good in terms of a raise for Service Employees International Union 1021 (SEIU) but understands that the Council is considering giving a raise to Fire and Police. SEIU workers are just as important. They communicate with public every day. Ms. Limone said it is great serving the senior residents of El Cerrito. Approximately 37-50 meals are served per day. The public is very supportive of the senior center and the City.

RECESSED INTO CLOSED SESSION at 6:35 p.m.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – CLOSED SESSION at 7:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Benassini, Bridges, Friedman, Lyman and Mayor Abelson

7:00 p.m.

CONVENE SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL MEETING / PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD MEETING

Mayor Abelson convened the City Council Meeting at 7:14 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OR OBSERVATION OF MOMENT OF SILENCE was led by Mayor Abelson.

2. COUNCIL / STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Abelson announced that the City Council had just met in closed session regarding labor negotiations, that no decisions were reached and that the City Council provided direction to staff.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Justin Torres, Pinole, El Cerrito curbside pick-up employee, spoke in support of Service Employees International Union (SEIU) 1021 members. Mr. Torres described the duties of many SEIU members at the City and said that they deserve a fair wage and a fair contract with the city and a fair offset for retirement.

Mark Miner, Chair of the Environmental Quality Committee (EQC), spoke in support of Consent Calendar Item No. 5(C) – membership analysis with Marin Clean Energy (MCE). Mr. Miner stated that MCE is a lean organization with bright people working for them and said the purpose of the study is to protect existing rate payers. Mr. Miner also stated that the EQC supports the proposal.

Robin Mitchell, El Cerrito, stated, in reference to the proposed development at 1715 Elm Street, said creek protection is admirable but it is not enough. Ms. Mitchell said it is not recognized by the City Council that the 1715 Elm Street property is a greenfield that is equivalent to any other greenfield development. The property is located along a creek-bed in a location found to have good agricultural soil that has never been built upon other than the existing historic structure. The City will regret giving it over to development rather than preserving green space. Ms. Mitchell stated that it is easy to envision the site as a park and urged the City Council to deny the project.

Tom Panas, El Cerrito, expressed concerns regarding the Draft San Pablo Avenue Specific Area Plan. Mr. Panas stated that although the Plan acknowledges the existence of historic and potential historic resources in town it does not treat them as assets and should leverage them. Mr. Panas also noted that there is no discussion of adaptive reuse of structures and asked why statements about creeks, habitats and green features in the Plan are prescriptive

rather than advisory.

Anthony Billups, After-school Program Supervisor at Fairmount School, stated that SEIU 1021 members give it their best each and every day and asked that the City Council give SEIU a fair labor contract.

Liz Espadilla, Richmond, stated that she has worked for the Senior Services Division for the past 14 years. Ms. Espadilla said her bargaining unit is having a difficult time negotiating with the City and that all SEIU wants is a fair contract. Many members have been with the City for over 10 years and are not asking for a lot. A 5 percent concession is a lot for SEIU 1021 as many members do not make more than \$30,000 per year.

Lauretean Brazil, Pinole, stated that she has been with the Public Works Department for approximately 12 years. She came in with big dreams and does not feel like she has been allowed to shine. Ms. Brazil said she is at top step and can only depend on a cost of living increase (COLA). She wants only what is best for her family and cannot achieve anything with a pay-cut. Ms. Brazil asked why the City is top heavy with management and overlooks front-line staff.

Melanie West, San Pablo, stated that she has worked for Youth Services for 14-15 years. Ms. West stated that she cannot afford to live in El Cerrito due to cuts in pay and no COLA. The faces of SEIU are the faces of El Cerrito. Ms. West stated that the City is top heavy and asked the Council to ensure that the contract the city brings to SEIU is equitable and fair.

Lila Banuelos, Pinole, stated that she has worked with the City for over thirty years and reached her salary cap more than 15 years ago. She has worked on many programs in the City. Ms. Banuelos asked the Council to look at the contract without making concessions. It has been hard for members to go without increases.

Howdy Goudey, El Cerrito, EQC Member, stated that he echoed Mr. Miner's remarks about Consent Calendar Item No. 5(C), the Community Choice Aggregation study. Mr. Goudey also thanked the Council for its thoughtful consideration of full creek restoration at 1715 Elm. He urged the Council to vote the project down for reasons that are well articulated by those who support the potential for creek restoration, stated that the project negates the City's standards and noted that the Planning Commission voted against the planned development.

Angela Osayande, SEIU 1021, stated that SEIU members have come to the meeting not to beg but to ask the Council to do the right thing. They are the lowest paid workers in the City who do work that generates revenue. SEIU members do not have the same options to make up for concessions. A five percent concession for SEIU members is different from a five percent concession for management, confidential, police and fire. Members took a 3.25% cut in Fiscal Year 2013-14 and are being asked for another concession. Members want to do the right thing but cannot.

Nina Johnson, SEIU 1021, stated that she works in the Finance Department and has been with the City for 10 years. SEIU members cannot absorb a 5 percent concession. Ms. Johnson said she recently became a single parent and it is difficult. A cut will not allow her to provide for her family in the way others do. As people leave, workload in the City has become heavier. Ms. Johnson said that all SEIU members are asking for is a fair contract.

Francis West, Past Master of Bay Cities Lodge - Masons, stated that people come to El Cerrito because of the relationships and reputation that the City has because of its workers. SEIU members need to be taken care of. A 5 percent cut is a lot to SEIU, particularly those who work paycheck to paycheck. If SEIU members leave it will affect the reputation of the City and will affect a desire to live in El Cerrito.

Sheryl Shute, Community Services Coordinator, stated that she has worked for the City for the past twenty years, has enjoyed working for the City and with the Community and has provided many programs in the City. SEIU members enjoy what they do and are asking for what they deserve.

4. PRESENTATION

A. Proclamation in Memory of John Umemoto

Approve a proclamation recognizing the many contributions Mr. Umemoto made to the El Cerrito Community and offering condolences to Mr. Umemoto's wife Saliann, his family and many friends on behalf of the grateful residents of the City of El Cerrito.

Action: Proclamation presented to Saliann Umemoto and her family.

B. El Cerrito Wall of Fame Ceremony

Adopt a resolution recognizing the leadership, contributions and achievements of Tom Panas and inducting Mr. Panas into the El Cerrito Wall of Fame.

Mayor Abelson noted Mr. Panas involvement in the community and also noted his history as past president and treasurer of the El Cerrito Historical Society. Mr. Panas has worked diligently toward preserving and recognizing historic structures. Mr. Panas has interviewed people across the country and has collected many images and documents relating to the history of El Cerrito. Mr. Panas has also done a lot of work with the Friends of the El Cerrito Library and serves as the City's alternate representative on the Contra Costa County Library Commission.

Councilmember Friedman stated that Mr. Panas is a remarkable individual who lives to serve and help others in addition to having a wonderful family and a full-time job. Mr. Panas is always looking for ways to make not just El Cerrito, but the world around him a better place. Councilmember Friedman concluded by stating that Mr. Panas' recognition is well deserved, that the City is lucky to have him as such an integral member of the community and that it is both an honor and a privilege to know Mr. Panas.

Councilmember Lyman stated that Mr. Panas has been a voice in his ear on many topics for the past six years and thanked Mr. Panas for making El Cerrito a better place and for his service to the community.

Mayor Pro Tem Benassini stated that she appreciated Mr. Pana's comments when she first began service on the City Council and thanked Mr. Panas for the advocacy he has done on behalf of many issues in El Cerrito and his respectful manner in discussing issues, even when there is disagreement. Mayor Pro Tem Benassini expressed appreciation for all the hours that Mr. Panas has devoted to the community and noted that the dialogue that is generated is indicative of how everyone is trying to do what is best for the community.

Councilmember Bridges said that a special quality of Mr. Panas is that he always writes a thank you note no matter which way the Council votes. The note usually has an historical photograph on it that is kept by Councilmember Bridges.

Speakers: Gabe Quinto, El Cerrito, expressed appreciation for Mr. Panas, particularly his discussions with Mr. Panas regarding the City's history. Mr. Quinto thanked Mr. Panas for being so passionate about the City and its neighborhoods and also noted that the award is well deserved.

Howdy Goudey, El Cerrito, stated that Mr. Panas is an invaluable asset to the community and thanked Mr. Panas for all of his work.

Joanne Rubio, Historical Society Board Member, said she was happy to see Mr. Panas receive this award and that it is an honor to work with Mr. Panas and see how he conducts matters in front of the City Council.

Tom Panas, El Cerrito, introduced his sons Michael and Alan, his wife Ann and his friend,

Ms. Theresa Parella. Mr. Panas said it was extraordinary to be the recipient of the El Cerrito Wall of Fame award and said he was gratified to know that the Council found his efforts worthwhile. Mr. Panas thanked the City Council for the award, Frank Storno for nominating him, his wife Ann who supports his efforts in every conceivable way, his sons for riding along to look at old houses and visit with senior residents, and the community of seniors, past and present, for the legacy that they have left and for all the information that has been provided about the City's history. So much of the work Mr. Panas does in town is to thank the seniors for what they have given him and for the legacy that they have given to the city. Mr. Panas spoke about how the City's history has been documented in books and articles, that the local Japanese Nursery industry has been documented, old dairies and farms have been documented, a treasure trove of images have been recovered and El Cerrito's own Little Italy has been put on the map. The industrial heritage of the town has also been documented.

5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR – Item No. 5A through 5D

Moved, seconded (Friedman/Bridges) and carried unanimously to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 5(A) and 5(D) in one motion as indicated below. Consent Calendar Item No. 5(B) was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Mayor Abelson for the purposes of presenting the National Night Out Proclamation to members of the Crime Prevention Committee members who were at the meeting to receive the proclamation. Item No. 5(C) was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Mayor Pro Tem Benassini for the purpose of receiving comments from staff.

A. Minutes for Approval

Approve the following meeting minutes: 1) June 17, 2014 Special City Council – Closed Session and Special Concurrent City Council/Public Financing Authority and Employee Pension Board meeting minutes; and 2) June 23, 2014 Special City Council meeting minutes.

Action: Approved minutes.

B. National Night Out Proclamation

Approve a proclamation calling upon all residents in the City of El Cerrito to participate in "National Night Out" on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 in the City of El Cerrito.

Speakers: Marty Takimoto, El Cerrito Crime Prevention Committee Member, encouraged all residents in the City to participate in the "National Night Out" (NNO) event on Tuesday, August 5, 2014. Mr. Takimoto stated that he hosted a NNO event in his neighborhood last year. Ninety percent of the neighborhood turned out and everyone had a great time. The event offers an easy way to increase crime prevention awareness in neighborhoods. Applications for hosting a neighborhood NNO event are available on the City's website.

Action: Removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Mayor Abelson. Moved, seconded (Lyman/Friedman) and carried to approve the proclamation. Presented to Lieutenant Robert De La Campa and Crime Prevention Committee members present.

C. Authorize Marin Clean Energy to Conduct Membership Analysis for the City to Participate in their Community Choice Aggregation Programs

Adopt a resolution which takes the following actions: 1) Authorizes the Mayor to submit a letter to Marin Clean Energy (MCE) requesting that they conduct an analysis of the feasibility of El Cerrito becoming a member of its Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs; 2) Authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with MCE in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 as well as other necessary documents required by PG&E, to conduct a Membership Analysis for El Cerrito; and 3) Authorizes the City Manager to execute a grant agreement for \$15,000 with the World Wildlife Fund to fund the analysis. *Exempt from CEQA.*

Maria Sanders, Environmental Analyst, provided a summary of the work to be performed.

The World Wildlife Fund Grant goes through October 2015 but the load analysis is usually a two month process.

Action: Removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Mayor Pro Tem Benassini. Moved, seconded (Benassini/Bridges) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-28.

D. "Pick Up" of Employee Contributions to CalPERS under Internal Revenue Code Section 414(H)(2)

Adopt a resolution providing for the "Pick Up" of employee contributions to CalPERS under the Internal Revenue Code Section 414(H)(2), allowing those contributions to be pre-tax.

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 2014-29.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Fire Hazard Abatement Public Hearing

Staff requests that the City Council: 1) Adopt a resolution declaring that weeds, rubbish, litter, or other flammable material on certain real property identified in the resolution constitutes a public nuisance; and 2) Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a resolution overriding objections by property owners and ordering the City Manager or his designee to abate certain public nuisances pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26. *Exempt from CEQA.*

Presenter: David Ciappara, Fire Captain.

Action: Moved, seconded (Friedman/Benassini) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-30 with a revised Exhibit A, declaring that weeds, rubbish, litter or other flammable material on certain real property identified in the resolution, as revised by staff, constitutes a public nuisance.

Mayor Abelson opened the public hearing. One speaker.

Speaker: Howdy Goudey, El Cerrito, thanked Councilmember Friedman for mentioning the 1715 Elm Street property and stated that he hoped that the developer would take care of the property without having to be notified or reminded by the City to do so. Mr. Goudey thanked the City for being proactive in fire hazard abatement and native plant restoration in the newly acquired Hillside property. Mr. Goudey stated that he was surprised to hear that there is a proposal to ask the private Madera fundraising campaign to pay for this work and noted that Trust for Public Land has the resources to do the maintenance. Mr. Goudey stated that it is inappropriate to ask the private fundraising campaign effort that was designed for acquisition of the property for maintenance funds for the property.

Moved, seconded (Friedman/Lyman) and carried unanimously to close the public hearing.

Action: Moved, seconded (Lyman/Friedman) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-31 with a revised Exhibit A, overriding objections by property owners and ordering the City Manager or his designee to abate certain public nuisances pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26. *Public Hearing regarding confirmation of abatement costs is scheduled for September 22, 2014.*

7. POLICY MATTERS

A. Memorandum of Understandings between the City and the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230 and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association

Staff requests that the City Council approve the following actions: 1) Adopt a resolution approving a side letter agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230 to modify language on salaries and retirement; 2) Adopt a resolution approving a side letter agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association to modify language on salaries and retirement; 3) Adopt a resolution modifying reporting and payment of employer paid member contributions for the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230; and 4) Adopt a resolution modifying reporting and payment of employer paid member contributions for the El Cerrito Police Employees Association.

Presenter: Karen Pinkos, Assistant City Manager.

Actions: Moved, seconded (Lyman/Friedman) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-32 approving a side letter agreement, as revised, to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230. The date of the side letter agreement was also changed to July 15, 2014.

Moved, seconded (Lyman/Friedman) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-33 approving a side letter agreement, as revised, to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association. The date of the side letter agreement was also changed to July 15, 2014.

Moved, seconded (Benassini/Bridges) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-34 modifying reporting and payment of employer paid member contributions for the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230.

Moved, seconded (Benassini/Bridges) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-35 modifying reporting and payment of employer paid member contributions for the El Cerrito Police Employees Association.

B. Direction on November 2014 Sales Tax Ballot Measure for the Maintenance of City Services

Adopt a resolution: 1) Approving an ordinance (Exhibit A to the resolution) extending existing local funding at the one-cent (1.0%) sales tax rate in order to maintain and/or increase the current level of services provided by the City, which would become effective only if adopted by 50 percent plus one vote of the El Cerrito electorate; 2) Submitting to the El Cerrito electorate a measure to extend existing local funding at the one-cent (1.0%) sales tax rate in order to maintain and/or increase the current level of services provided by the City; and 3) Requesting that the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors consent to the consolidation of this election with the statewide general election to be held on November 4, 2014 and direct the Registrar of Voters to provide all services necessary to conduct the election and print a measure on the ballot as described in Section 3 of the resolution. *Exempt from CEQA.*

Presenter: Scott Hanin, City Manager.

Speakers: Alex Aliferis, Contra Costa Taxpayers Association, expressed concerns regarding spiraling pension costs and the effects of these costs on cities, how other cities sacrifice services for pension payments and asked whether the tax will be used for pensions and hiring more police officers. Mr. Aliferis cited pension issues in the City of Stockton as an example.

Tom Panas, El Cerrito, stated that although he is not a fan of taxes he does not see a way for

the city to further reduce costs without endangering the public's safety, degradation of environmental services and delivering the same level of services. Mr. Panas urged the City Council to approve the sales tax extension measure.

Al Miller, El Cerrito, stated that like most people, he would rather not have taxes raised but it is not the only thing that needs to be considered. Mr. Miller queried whether he was comfortable living with a city budget that continues to carry a reserve that is 5% less than the target level and where 15% of authorized staff positions have either been eliminated or carried as vacant to balance the budget, including positions in police, fire and other services. Mr. Miller stated that a half-cent sales tax increase is a small burden to bear to live in a safer or economically sound community. There are other advantages, if the economic situation improves reserves can be increased. Another benefit is that people from outside El Cerrito who shop here will help the City re-staff its positions and improve the City. Mr. Miller urged the City Council to support the resolution.

Hale Kronenberg, El Cerrito, stated that he is a Financial Advisory Board member speaking as private citizen. Mr. Kronenberg said he supports the proposed ordinance extending Measure R. The City has done an admirable job of cost cutting including leaving positions vacant and unfilled but the City has reached its limit. This is a cost benefit analysis. The cost of extending the sales tax and maintaining it is very small. The benefit is enormous. It will allow the City to maintain its extraordinary level of services. Mr. Kronenberg urged the City Council to approve the ordinance and submit it to a vote of the citizens.

Gabriel Quinto, El Cerrito, strongly urged the City Council to support the resolution to place the measure on the ballot in order to maintain the services that the residents expect.

Pamela Stewart-Wagner, El Cerrito, expressed concerns regarding the extension of Measure R and other taxes including phone, cable and water. Ms. Stewart-Wagner stated that there is a large contingent of retired residents in El Cerrito who live on fixed incomes. Many cannot afford additional taxes. It is less expensive to shop in other cities. Ms. Stewart-Wagner suggested that the City attract large businesses to come to the City to generate revenue.

Denise Sangster, El Cerrito, stated that she led the opposition to Measure R, and still believes in the fundamentals of what was fought for, but also believes it may be a mistake not to extend it. Ms. Sangster said she is in favor of the sales tax with the following three caveats: 1) Freeze the salaries of the top two management positions in the City for as long as the tax is in effect; 2) Funds would only be used to hire headcount and not to pay for pensions; and 3) the City become serious about economic development. Ms. Sangster said she would have given the City Manager a 100% bonus opportunity to get the economic development of the city going. Ms. Sangster said she would like to support the measure but without the three caveats she will lead a campaign to fight the measure again and also noted that one can buy anything cheaper across the city border.

Action: Moved, seconded (Lyman/Bridges) and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2014-36 as revised to include the following changes: Section 6 - change the deadline for the Impartial Analysis from July 28 to August 4, 2014; Section 7 - Ballot Argument - change the deadline for the Ballot Argument from July 28 to August 4, 2014; and Section 9 - change the deadline for the Rebuttal Arguments from August 7 to August 14, 2014.

8. COUNCIL LOCAL AND REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

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

Councilmember Bridges reported that the Human Relations Commission discussed and update of its brochure and received a presentation by West Contra Costa Unified School District Board of Education Director Ramsey regarding a proposal to change the name of Portola Middle School to the Fred T. Korematsu Middle School at its last meeting. The EQC received a presentation from the Pesticide Action Network regarding bee colony collapse and the effects of pesticides on bees and what can be done personally and locally to help bees.

The EQC also looked at the foam container and plastic bag ban implementations and also talked about the Hillside Natural Area.

Councilmember Lyman reported that the West County Integrated Waste Management Authority Board is back to unanimous votes with regard to the future of the Joint Powers Authority (JPA). In September there will be a meeting with alternates about how different ways that rates can be set and other ways for the Authority to generate revenue. The current practice is based on weight of waste. In October 2014 the Authority Board will have a workshop regarding the recycling revenue reserve fund and how the fund will be used to benefit the ratepayers of the Authority or directing that revenue back to cities. The \$3.8 million reserve fund is based on sales of recyclables at the facility. There have also been sales of recyclables at the facility from other jurisdictions who are not members of the JPA. The facility does not sell El Cerrito's recyclables but city ratepayers helped build the facility. The Board postponed initiating a waste characterization study. The scope of the study will be discussed at the October or November meeting. The Authority is moving forward in resolving some of its differences.

9. ADJOURNED SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL / PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND EMPLOYEE PENSION BOARD MEETING at 9:38 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Item No. 6 Fire Hazard Abatement Public Hearing

1. Revised Exhibit A to the Resolutions referenced as Attachment 5 and 6 – *Submitted by David Ciappara, Fire Captain.*

Item No. 7(A) Memorandums of Understanding between the City and the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230 and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association

2. Revised Exhibit A to the Resolution approving a side letter agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the United Professional Firefighters Association, Local 1230 – *Submitted by Karen Pinkos, Assistant City Manager.*
3. Revised Exhibit A to the Resolution approving a side letter agreement to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association – *Submitted by Karen Pinkos, Assistant City Manager.*

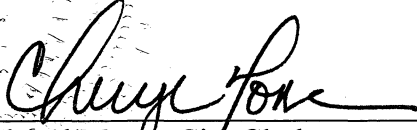
Item No. 7(B) Direction on November 2014 Sales Tax Ballot Measure for the Maintenance of City Services

4. Revised Resolution which sets new deadlines for arguments and rebuttals – *Submitted by Cheryl Morse, City Clerk.*
5. Comments in support of a sales tax extension – *Submitted by Tom Panas, El Cerrito.*

Other:

6. Comments on the Draft San Pablo Avenue – *Submitted by Tom Panas, El Cerrito.*
7. Comments on 1715 Elm Street – *Submitted by Robin Mitchell, El Cerrito.*
8. Comments on 1715 Elm Street – *Submitted by Howdy Goudey, El Cerrito.*

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Concurrent City Council / Public Financing Authority and Employee Pension Board Meeting of July 15, 2014 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.

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Cheryl Morse, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Janet Abelson", written over a horizontal line.

Janet Abelson, Mayor