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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING (5:00 PM)

Hillside Conference Room - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Join Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85380752378?pwd=K1Q1SjJRMGVIZDITR21jVS9KMhJOZz09>

Meeting ID: 853 8075 2378 **Password:** 781931 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)

Council Chambers - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Join Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85936897758?pwd=VIBOaEppa0xCL0xlb05vcnJzeTBIZz09>

Meeting ID: 859 3689 7758 **Password:** 887875 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

View (Regular Meeting Only):

1. Cable T.V. Broadcast on KCRT Channel 28
2. Livestream Online at www.el-cerrito.org/CouncilMeetingMaterials

Teleconferencing: Consistent with the Brown Act as amended by AB 361 (2021), all individuals may participate in-person at the location listed above, or remotely via zoom. In-person attendance limited to available seats and designated accessible spaces only (no standing room). Masks are strongly recommended ([full in-person protocols available here.](#))

Accommodations: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk at 510-215-4305. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable accommodations. Closed Captions available via zoom.

Conduct: This meeting shall be conducted pursuant to the El Cerrito [City Council Rules of Order and Procedure](#), including adjourning by 11:00 PM unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Council.

Public Comments:

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.
3. *By Phone* at 1-408-638-0968, dial *9 to "raise your hand".
4. *By Email* to cityclerk@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us identified in the subject line as **Public Comments – Agenda Item #.**

Written comments received by **2:00 p.m. the day of the meeting** 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 will be posted **after the meeting**.

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5:00 PM ROLL CALL - CONVENE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

All persons wishing to speak should sign up with the City Clerk. Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person and to items on the special meeting agenda only.

2. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: Karen Pinkos, City Manager; Alexandra Orologas, Assistant City Manager; Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst; Glenn Berkheimer, Labor Negotiator; and Sky Woodruff, City Attorney.

Employee Organizations: Public Safety Management Association

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

3. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM 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. PRESENTATIONS

6. 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.

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A. Approval of Minutes

Action Proposed: Pass a motion to approve the minutes from the meetings of November 15, December 5, December 6, December 20, 2022, January 17, February 4, and February 7, 2023.

Contact: Holly M. Charl  ty, City Clerk, City Management

B. Committee on Aging Appointment

Action Proposed: Approve the Committee on Aging recommendation and re-appoint Dr. Pansy Kwong to the Committee, effective February 22, 2023.

Contact: Bridget Cooney, Recreation Supervisor, Recreation Department

C. Urban Forest Committee Appointment Recommendation

Action Proposed: Approve an Urban Forest Committee recommendation to reappoint Yan Linhart to the Urban Forest Committee, effective March 1, 2023.

Contact: Stephen Pr  e, Environmental Programs Manager/City Arborist; Will Provost, Operations and Environmental Services Division Manager; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works Department

D. Environmental Quality Committee Appointment Recommendation

Action Proposed: Approve an Environmental Quality Committee recommendation to reappoint Howdy Goudey and Mark Miner to the Environmental Quality Committee, effective March 1, 2023.

Contact: Christina Leard, Management Analyst III; Will Provost, Operations and Environmental Services Division Manager; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works Department

E. Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for October 2022 through January 2023

Action Proposed: Receive and file the Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Reports for the months of October 2022 through January 2023.

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

F. Proclamation Recognizing February 24, 2023 as the “Day of Ukrainian Solidarity” in the City of El Cerrito

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation declaring February 24, 2023 as the “Day of Ukrainian Solidarity” in the City of El Cerrito.

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

G. Resolution Opposing Initiative No. 21-0042A1, the California Business Roundtable "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act"

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution in Opposition to the California Business Roundtable "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act " (Initiative No. 21-0042A1) that would amend the California Constitution with provisions that limit voters' authority and input, adopt new and stricter rules for raising taxes and fees, and make it more difficult to impose fines and penalties for violation of state and local laws.

Contact: Karen Pinkos, City Manager, City Management

H. 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 through February 28 2023, and making related findings pursuant to AB 361.

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

I. Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement with Tripepi Smith

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an extension to the consulting services agreement with Tripepi Smith for Communication Services.

Contact: Alexandra Orologas, Assistant City Manager, City Management

J. Cooperative Agreement between the City and AC Transit for Design, Construction, Operations and Maintenance of the Rapid Corridors Project

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Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution approving and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement between the City of El Cerrito (City) and the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) for Design, Construction, Operations and Maintenance of the Rapid Corridors Project.

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

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. POLICY MATTERS

A. Library Study Session - El Cerrito Plaza BART TOD Project

Action Proposed: Conduct a study session to review and discuss plans to include a City-owned Library facility as part of the El Cerrito Plaza BART Transit-Oriented Development project, including the cost to the City and funding options, and provide direction to City staff.

Contact: Will Provost, Operations and Environmental Services Division Manager, Public Works Department; Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director, Community Development Department; Karen Pinkos, City Manager, City Management

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, March 7, 2023 at 6:00 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.