

Mayor
Lisa Motoyama
Mayor Pro Tem
Tessa Rudnick



Councilmembers
Paul Fadelli
Gabriel Quinto
Carolyn Wysinger

EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)

City Council Chambers - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Additional In-Person Location:

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, 2102 South C St., Tacoma, WA 98402 **Ask at front desk for room number for remote meeting location**

Join Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81274051504?pwd=Z1g4OGVxQXJWNEhhTldxMFNONHhCZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 7405 1504 **Password:** 374534 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

View:

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

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**.

6:00 PM ROLL CALL – CONVENE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Motoyama called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Present In-Person: Mayor Motoyama, Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick, Councilmember Fadelli, Councilmember Quinto, **Present Remotely:** Councilmember Wysinger **Absent:** None

1. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON ANY REQUEST FROM A COUNCILMEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING REMOTELY DUE TO EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES PURSUANT TO AB 2449

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

3. TELECONFERENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

4. 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.

City Manager Pinkos - introduced new Finance Director and announced the El Cerrito Creative Re-Use (ECCRU) Artist in Residency's showing in the City Hall Gallery Space August 25.

Public Works Director Yvetteh Ortiz - provided an update about garbage and recycling cart distribution throughout the City.

Councilmember Quinto – announced appointment as 2nd Vice President of the League of California Cities.

Councilmember Fadelli - expressed gratitude for the Fourth of July festival; announced his open office hours the first Monday of each month for the public to meet with him directly.

Mayor Motoyama - provided positive comments about Fourth of July, announced East Bay Innovators event, and encouraged participation in the Caltrans Bike Update Survey.

5. 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.

All written comments submitted prior to and during the meeting were posted online as supplemental materials and incorporated into the official meeting record. Written public comments for matters not on the agenda were received from Staff Liaison Bridget Cooney on behalf of Committee on Aging, Cordell Hindler, and Dianne Brenner.

Oral Public Comments:

Buddy Akacic - commented on El Cerrito's Senior Community being active and about diversity, equity and inclusion.

Dianne Brenner - commented on "Rule 20A" that PG&E administers.

Mariella Moreno Murray - commented on the City's Noise Ordinance.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Summer 2023 I-80 Pavement Rehabilitation Project

Action Proposed: Receive and file a presentation from Caltrans District 4 on a paving project on both directions of I-80 starting at the end of July through September.

Contact: Andrew Baskerville, Contra Costa County Construction Manager, and Bart Ney, Public Affairs & Strategic Communications, Caltrans Bay Area

Presentation and Discussion: Presenters and staff responded to comments and questions raised by members of the council regarding Labor Day closures, pavement materials and heavy truck weight.

Action: Received and filed

7. 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.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Fadelli/Councilmember Quinto **Action:** Approved the consent calendar as indicated below. **Ayes:** Mayor Motoyama, Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick, Councilmember Fadelli, Councilmember Quinto, Councilmember Wysinger **Noes:** None

A. Crime Prevention Committee Appointment of Brett Guest

Action Proposed: Approve a Crime Prevention Committee recommendation to appoint Brett Guest to the Crime Prevention Committee, effective July 18, 2023.

Contact: Sergeant Aaron Leone, El Cerrito Police Department

Action: Approved appointment

B. Approve Three-Year Agreement between the City of El Cerrito and Chavan and Associates, LLP to Perform Required Independent Audit Services for Fiscal Years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a three-year professional services agreement in an amount not to exceed \$202,500 with Chavan and Associates, LLP, Certified Public Accountants to perform required independent audit services for Fiscal Years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25, with the option to extend the contract for an additional two (2) one-year terms.

Contact: Alexandra Orologas, Assistant City Manager, City Management

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-49

C. Agreement between the City of El Cerrito and West Coast Vending and Food Service, Inc. to Provide Food Services to the El Cerrito Police Department

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with West Coast Vending and Food Services, Inc. to provide vending services, including the purchase of materials, supplies, and/or equipment to the City of El Cerrito for an amount not to exceed \$75,000 annually from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

Contact: Paul Keith, Chief of Police, El Cerrito Police Department

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-50

D. Agreement with Motorola Solutions to Upgrade El Cerrito Police Department Radios with Encryption Software

Action Proposed: Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the provision of encryption software upgrades to El Cerrito Police Department radios for a cost not to exceed \$135,000.

Contact: Paul Keith, Chief of Police, El Cerrito Police Department

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-51

E. Consulting Services Agreement between the City of El Cerrito and Kittelson & Associates, Inc. to Provide Transportation Planning and Engineering Services for the Local Road Safety Plan

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a consulting services agreement for an amount not to exceed \$87,000 with Kittelson & Associates, Inc. (Kittelson) to provide transportation planning and engineering services to initiate, develop, and complete a Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP).

Contact: Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works Department; Jarrett Mullen, Sustainable Transportation Program Manager, Community Development Department

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-52

F. Amendment to Agreement with Cox Automotive Mobility Fleet Services for Fleet Maintenance Services

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution to authorize the City Manager to amend the agreement with Cox Automotive Mobility Fleet Services for Fleet Maintenance Services by \$15,000 for a total amount not to exceed amount of \$203,100 for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Contact: Christina Leard, Management Analyst III; Susan Kattchee, Interim Operations & Environmental Services Division Manager; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works Department

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-53

G. Agreement with SSP Data to provide DarkTrace Detect and Response Security Monitoring Services

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute the pricing agreement with SSP Data for DarkTrace Holding Limited's cybersecurity services in an amount not-to-exceed \$380,000 over a four-year period.

Contact: Eric Ng, Acting IT Manager, Information Technology Department

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-54

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Fire Hazard Abatement

Exempt from CEQA review pursuant to Sections 15304 and 15308, Notice published 7/8/2023

Action Proposed: 1) Adopt a resolution declaring 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 their designee to abate certain public nuisances pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26.

Contact: Traviss Crumpacker, Fire Prevention Officer; Chase Beckman, Fire Marshal, Fire Department

Moved/Seconded: Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick/Councilmember Fadelli

Action: Approved Resolution No. 2023-55 (Declaring Identified Properties). **Ayes:** Mayor Motoyama, Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick, Councilmember Fadelli, Councilmember Quinto, Councilmember Wysinger **Noes:** None

Public Hearing: Mayor Motoyama opened the public hearing.

No public comments.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Quinto/Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick

Action: Closed the public hearing. **Ayes:** Mayor Motoyama, Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick, Councilmember Fadelli, Councilmember Quinto, Councilmember Wysinger **Noes:** None

Moved/Seconded: Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick/Councilmember Fadelli

Action: Adopted Resolution 2023-56 (Overriding Objections) **Ayes:** Mayor Motoyama, Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick, Councilmember Fadelli, Councilmember Quinto, Councilmember Wysinger **Noes:** None

9. POLICY MATTERS

10. CITY COUNCIL LOCAL & REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Mayor and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments, committee reports, and any required reporting under AB 1234 for meetings (as defined by the Brown Act) attended at the public's expense.

Mayor Pro Tem Rudnick - announced RecycleMore's Edible Food Recovery Grants Program and shared her experience at July Fourth Festival.

Councilmember Fadelli - commented on the community food service truck that works with Trader Joe's to save packaged food.

Councilmember Quinto - welcomed new member Brett Guest to the Crime Prevention Committee, announced National Night Out on August 1, reported his efforts working with legislators and public safety agencies to end fentanyl addiction epidemic, and attendance at July Fourth Festival.

Mayor Motoyama - reported attendance at West County Women's Leaders' Lunch, July Fourth Celebration, Contra Costa Mayors' Conference, Sakura Kai 50th Anniversary Celebration, and Robinson Weeks Scholarship Program Fundraiser.

11. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.

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Lisa Motoyama, Mayor

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 18, 2023 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.

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Alexandra Orologas, Deputy City Clerk