

Mayor
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING (5:00 PM)
Hillside Conference Room - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)
Council Chambers - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Closed Captions Available Via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 876 5999 8355 **Password:** 782696 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

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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. *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**.

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

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. **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.

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3. CLOSED SESSION: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Attorney

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

4. 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: Management/Confidential Employees; Police Employees Association (PEA); Public Safety Management Association (Battalion Chief, Fire Chief, Police Chief, and Police Management); Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1021; and United Professional Firefighters Local 1230.

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

5. ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

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.

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5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Statewide Healthcare Workers' Union award presentation to Councilmember Quinto

Action Proposed: Statewide Healthcare Workers' Union presentation of an Award in recognition of Councilmember Quinto's 2023 actions on behalf of healthcare workers and patients.

Contact: Doug Jones, SEIU UHW Political Organizer

6. 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.

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.

A. Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for January 2024

Action Proposed: Receive and file the Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for the month of January 2024.

Contact: Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

B. California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Form 130 - Designation of Authorized Agents

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution designating the City Manager, Finance Director, and Public Works Director as the City's agents to provide required assurances and execute agreements for the purposes of obtaining financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for any disaster aid and grant program; approving the corresponding Cal OES Form 130; and authorizing the City Manager to file the Cal OES Form 130 with Cal OES and submit all related documentation.

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Contact: A'shanti Coleman, Management Assistant, Public Works Department; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer

C. Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement with Tripepi Smith

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

Contact: Will Provost, Assistant to the City Manager, City Management

D. Amendment to Custodial Services Agreement with Universal Building Services

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to extend the Recreation Department's custodial services agreement with Universal Building Services through the remainder of fiscal year (FY) 2023-24 for a total amount not to exceed \$110,000.

Contact: Christopher Jones, Recreation Director, Recreation Department

E. A Resolution Authorizing Execution of An Agreement for the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Program for El Cerrito Plaza Parcel A South for Transit-Oriented Development at the El Cerrito Plaza Station and submission of an application for Affordable Housing Sustainable Community Program funds as a co-applicant with the Related Companies of California

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program as a co-applicant with the Related Companies of California, LLC (Developer), for El Cerrito Plaza Station Transit-Oriented Development (TOD), Parcel A South (EC-PAS) located at 515 Richmond Street, to construct 70 affordable housing units and associated multimodal transportation improvements and to submit an application to the AHSC Program as a co-applicant.

Contact: Aissia Ashoori, Housing Manager; Jarrett Mullen, Sustainable Transportation Program Manager, Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director; Community Development Department

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. POLICY MATTERS

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A. Crime Prevention Committee Disbandment

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution to disband the Crime Prevention Committee and rescind Resolution 2001-105 as directed by City Council, and provide staff direction if applicable.

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

B. FY 2023-24 General Fund Budget Quarterly Update through December 2023

Action Proposed: Receive and file an update on City General Fund revenues and expenses for FY 2023-24 through December 2023.

Contact: Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department

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.

11. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

The City of El Cerrito serves our diverse community by providing exceptional services that create a safe and resilient future for all.



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 7.A.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department
Subject: Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for January 2024

ACTION PROPOSED

Receive and file the Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for the month of January 2024.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

California Government Code, Title 4. Government of Cities, Division 3, Part 3, Chapter 3, Section 41004 states, "Regularly, at least once each month, the city treasurer shall submit to the city clerk a written report and accounting of all receipts, disbursements, and fund balances. The city treasurer shall file a copy with the legislative body." In addition, the City's Comprehensive Financial Policy, Item 5.1 Accounting Standards indicates the City's accounting and financial reporting systems shall be maintained in conformance with all state and federal laws.

- Month ending January 31, 2024, reflecting 325 Accounts Payable General Warrant Nos. 88466 through 88767, 23 ACH/EFT transactions, and 543 payroll-related checks and EFTs for a grand total of \$6,182,065.15.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

The City's Comprehensive Financial Policy, which includes ensuring policies, procedures, and systems represent best practices in financial management, is aligned with requirements referenced in California Government Code, Title 4, Chapter 3, Section 41004.

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *High Performing Organization* by Ensure the City maintains a strong financial position and a high-performing organization where employees feel a sense of inclusion and belonging.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There is no fiscal impact associated with acceptance of the Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City Attorney has reviewed this agenda item and found that legal considerations have been addressed.

Reviewed by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Karen Pinkos', is positioned above the printed name.

Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Monthly Payment Register January 2024

City of El Cerrito
Payment Register

From Payment Date: 1/1/2024 - To Payment Date: 1/30/2024

Number	Date	Status	Void Reason	Reconciled/ Voided Date	Source	Payee Name	Description	Transaction Amount
<u>Accounts Payable Checks</u>								
88466	01/03/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BERKELEY COUNTRY CLUB	50% balance due to Contra Costa Mayors Conference 2/1/24	\$3,500.00
88467	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AIR EXCHANGE, INC.	STATION 52 REPAIR	\$250.00
88468	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	BUILDING SUPPLIES	\$121.21
88469	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ASCENT ENVIRONMENT, INC.	HOUSING ELEMENT	\$22,620.79
88470	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BAKER TILLY US, LLP	STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP SUPPORT	\$5,000.00
88471	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BAY ALARM COMPANY	STATION 52 ALARM	\$348.75
88472	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BERTRAND, FOX, ELLIOT, OSMAN & WENZEL	PERSONNEL MATTER	\$9,327.50
88473	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CARROLL, JAMES	BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION	\$3,500.00
88474	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CENTER FOR HEARING HEALTH INC	FD HEARING TEST	\$2,040.00
88475	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHARLETY, HOLLY	NEW LAW EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT	\$771.31
88476	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHAVAN & ASSOCIATES, LLP	CITY AUDIT	\$2,500.00
88477	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COMCAST	STATION 52	\$276.16
88478	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CPOA	CPOA MEMBERSHIP	\$1,150.00
88479	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CUISON, MARIELLE	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	\$36.55
88480	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FIRE INFORMATION SUPPORT SVCS	NFIRS SERVICES	\$500.00
88481	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES, INC.	OCT/NOV DRAFT CLASS SPECS (CLASS & COMP)	\$11,390.00
88482	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GLASS ON THE MOVE	FC WINDSHIELD REPLACE	\$661.07
88483	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GOLDEN GATE K9	K9 TRAINING	\$1,200.00
88484	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Green Halo Systems Inc,	HOSTING, MAINTENANCE, SERVICE	\$171.00
88485	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Hinderliter , de Llamas & Associates	TRANSACTION TAX OCT-DEC2023	\$300.00
88486	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KISTER, SAVIO & REI INC	MAP CHECKING SVCS THROUGH 11.30.23	\$1,520.00
88487	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KS STATEBANK	2023 CHEVROLET TAHOE SPECIAL SERVICE VEHICLES WITH UPFITTING	\$4,907.41
88488	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LEXIPOL LLC	CORDICO FIREFIGHTER WELLNESS APP	\$4,666.00
88489	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MERCURIO BROS. PRINTING, INC,	FD FORMS	\$176.40
88490	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MICHAEL STEADS HILLTOP FORD KIA	BATTERY	\$187.58
88491	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NINYO & MOORE	PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT	\$4,500.00
88492	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	OFFICE DEPOT	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$230.14
88493	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PAYMENTUS CORPORATION	CREDIT CARD FEES	\$3,506.71
88494	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PLAZA AUTO SERVICE INC	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$2,152.77
88495	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PREMIER GRAPHICS	MAKERS FAIRE BANNER	\$49.61
88496	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RENNE PUBLIC LAW GROUP	GRANT WRITING SVCS NOV 2023	\$4,500.00
88497	01/04/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Tripepi Smith and Associates , Inc	MONTHLY COMMUNICATION SUPPORT	\$5,342.00
88498	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	A PLUS TREE, INC.	CITY TREE REMOVAL C3082 ARLINGTON PARK	\$603.00
88499	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AIRGAS USA, LLC	MEDICAL OXYGEN	\$348.17
88500	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT	FD32 REPAIRS	\$18,024.10
88501	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BARG COFFIN LEWIS & TRAPP, LLP	LEGAL SVCS THROUGH 10/31/23	\$1,239.00
88502	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BOUNDTREE MEDICAL LLC	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	\$152.48
88503	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CASTREJON, JOSE	REIMBURSE EDUCATION COSTS	\$1,000.00
88504	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CCCSO LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING	POLICE ACADEMY	\$8,770.00
88505	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHILDCARE CAREERS, LLC	CHILDCARE MADERA	\$6,861.98
88506	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CITY OF FAIRFIELD	RANGE FEES	\$837.00
88507	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COIT	ANNUAL FLOOR CLEANING - CASTRO CLUBHOUSE	\$4,470.00
88508	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CONTRA COSTA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	CLETS 22/23	\$2,156.06
88509	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CONTRA COSTA HEALTH SERVICES	TIPPING WALL INSPECTION REPORTS 11/17/23 & 12/5/23	\$796.00
88510	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COREY JOHN MASON	4TH OF JULY JANUARY PYMT	\$1,000.00
88511	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CORODATA SHREDDING INC.	SHREDDING	\$207.43
88512	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CRITICAL REACH	2024 APB FEES	\$560.00
88513	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DON'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	R&R TIRE	\$191.53
88514	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FRASER & ASSOCIATES	ROPS for 24-25	\$1,200.00
88515	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GABRIEL, BARBARA, A.	ADULT BALLET DEC 2023	\$285.60
88516	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GILMAN STREET PRESS	BUSINESS CARDS	\$55.38

Payment Register

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Number	Date	Status	Void Reason	Reconciled/ Voided Date	Source	Payee Name	Description	Transaction Amount
88517	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Hinderliter , de Llamas & Associates	AUDIT SVCS - SALES TAX OCT-DEC2023	\$1,053.55
88518	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL, INC.	CITY SATELLITE PHONES	\$225.00
88519	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIVE CONSULTANTS	MAY-NOV 2023 SERVICE	\$15,211.00
88520	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	JONES, HIROMI	HATHA YOGA DEC2023	\$420.00
88521	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KEL-AIRE	HVAC	\$2,493.40
88522	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KI RESEARCH INSTITUTE	AIKIDO DEC 2023	\$240.00
88523	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	L.N. CURTIS & SONS	BODY ARMOR	\$10,887.94
88524	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LSA ASSOCIATES, INC.	PHASES 1-3	\$3,447.50
88525	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NBS	SVCS 1/124 - 3/31/24	\$2,776.26
88526	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	WALL CALENDARS	\$346.80
88527	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	OIL CHANGERS	ENG OIL CHANGE	\$69.20
88528	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PROFORCE	TASER EQUIPMENT	\$750.94
88529	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RATLIFF, WILLIAM	REIMBURSE EMPLOYEE FOR TUITION AND FEES	\$13,930.00
88530	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RILE, KATHRYN	CERAMICS MON AFTERNOON NOV2023	\$282.00
88531	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ROADPOST USA, INC.	FD SATELLITE PHONES	\$133.90
88532	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Serological Research Institute	LAB FEES	\$3,080.00
88533	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STATE OF CA DEPT OF JUSTICE	PD PUBLIC FIRE	\$530.00
88534	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STERICYCLE, INC.	MONTHLY SHREDDING	\$857.38
88535	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STERICYCLE, INC.	HAZARDOUS WASTE	\$173.65
88536	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	WILLIAMS, GARY	LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE EXPENSES	\$710.15
88537	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MEYERS NAVE	SEPT 2023	\$60,472.95
88538	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	VOICE RECORDER & CASE, 2WAY RADIOS & CHARGER	\$192.85
88539	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ASBURY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	MOTOR OIL RECYCLING 12/12/23	\$100.00
88540	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BLACK, MEI-YU	WATERCOLOR & ACRYLIC DEC 2023	\$102.00
88541	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BROWN, KRISTEN	ART & WELLNESS NOV & DEC 2023	\$75.00
88542	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CANN, COLETTE	OPEN CERAMICS FRI OCT, NOV, DEC 2023	\$451.20
88543	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CASCADIA CONSULTING GROUP, INC.	NOV2023 CAAP UPDATE	\$14,756.25
88544	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CINTAS CORPORATION #054 UNIFORMS	CORP YARD WEEKLY UNIFORM RENTAL	\$636.48
88545	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CONSTABLE, MARIANNE	FELDENKRAIS NOV 2023	\$112.50
88546	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CORE COMPUTING SOLUTIONS	FEB2024 CORE MAINTENACE & SUPPORT	\$175.15
88547	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES	LICENSING CERTS	\$1,452.00
88548	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DICKINSON FLEET SVCS / COX AUTOMOTIVE	R4: ANNUAL BRAKES + REGEN	\$3,297.00
88549	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DIPRIMA, LISA	FASEP ART SI 2023	\$2,245.80
88550	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Enthalpy Analytical, LLC	STORMWATER TESTING #1 OF 4	\$1,144.00
88551	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FIFTH ASSET, INC DBA DEBTBOOK	DEBT PAYMENT	\$15,200.00
88552	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GARDA CL WEST, INC. - CO 120	ARMORED TRANSPORT SVC	\$272.48
88553	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Golden Bear Transfer Station	STREET SWEEP SPOILS DEC23. 12/1 2.67T, 12/6 2.78T, 12/13 3.4T	\$1,151.83
88554	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GRAUL, BELINDA	GYNMASTICS NOV - DEC 2023	\$5,070.00
88555	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HONEY BUCKET	CENTRAL PARK SVC 12/12/23-1/8/24	\$221.05
88556	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HUIZAR, EDUARDO	BOOTS - STEEL TOE SLIP RESISTANT	\$175.59
88557	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	JAFFE, SCOT	OPEN CERAMICS THUR DEC23	\$216.00
88558	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KATHY KRAMER CONSULTING	BRING BACK THE NATIVE GARDEN TOUR SPONSORSHIP	\$1,500.00
88559	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KNORR SYSTEMS, INC.	SODIUM HYPO	\$1,781.01
88560	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KRISCH & COMPANY AN ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION	ADVISORY SVCS	\$18,402.35
88561	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MUNICIPAL POOLING AUTHORITY	DOT PROGRAM 1ST QTR	\$2,524.62
88562	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Napa Recycling & Waste Service, LLC	NOV23 CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROCESSING 292.23 TONS	\$16,072.65
88563	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NBS	LLD 1988-1	\$2,905.73
88564	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NICOLE CEA RIVERA	WOMEN'S FBW DEC23	\$75.60
88565	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PLAY-WELL TEKNOLOGIES	HASEP & MASEP PLAY-WELL LEGO SI 2023	\$8,243.20
88566	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	POSTMASTER	POSTAGE RECREATION SUMMER CAMP24 ACTIVITY GUIDE, MPERMIT79	\$4,900.00
88567	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Shababo, Tracey , Elise	SEWING & TEXTILE ARTS 12/4 - 12/13	\$885.00
88568	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SHAHKAR, MEHRAN	STRENGTH & BALANCE DEC 2023	\$570.00
88569	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SSD ALARM	MADERA & FAIRMONT CLUBHOUSES ALARM SVC JAN 2024	\$732.63

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88570	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	THE PROFESSIONAL TREE CARE CO.	HNA FIRE FUEL REDUCTION	\$15,360.00
88571	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TWO BROTHERS POOL & SPA, INC	DEC23 SERVICE	\$3,600.00
88572	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TYR SPORT, INC.	GATOR GEAR	\$5,105.97
88573	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	UNIVERSAL BUILDING SERVICE	LIBRARY RESTROOM SUPPLIES, HAND SOAP & SEAT COVERS	\$8,396.59
88574	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHATTERJEE, PALLAV	6001 PERMIT RENEWAL EXTENSION	\$12,610.00
88575	01/11/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHATTERJEE, PALLAV	6001 - PERMIT RENEWAL EXTENSION	\$12,634.00
88576	01/16/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DIVISION OF STATE ARCHITECT	Disability Access & Edu fee for Q4 2023	\$101.20
88577	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CALPERS LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM	PER3 - CALPERS Longterm Care Ins	\$39.66
88578	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HEALTH CARE DENTAL TRUST	DEN1 - Dental 1*	\$17,292.76
88579	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IAFF LOCAL 1230	DUE4 - UNION LOCAL 1230	\$5,105.24
88580	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN	K1 - Kaiser 1*	\$240,854.09
88581	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LEGALSHIELD	LEGL - PRE-PAID LEGAL SRVC	\$182.40
88582	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MUNICIPAL POOLING AUTHORITY	LIFE - Supp Life Insu Inv: 920-35254 - Jan 2024	\$12,883.02
88583	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NATIONWIDE TRUST COMPANY, FSB	FHEA - Fire Health Savings Acct	\$15,200.00
88584	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SEIU LOCAL 1021	COPE - VOLUNTARY COPE DEDUCTION*	\$1,671.43
88585	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SUTTER HEALTH PLUS	SHR - Sutter Health Plus EE Cost*	\$37,533.60
88586	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	U.S. BANK - INSTITUTIONAL TRUST - W REGION	PAR - PARS - ARS 457*	\$1,579.10
88587	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	4LEAF, INC.	PLAN REVIEW SVCS	\$7,261.25
88588	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AFRICAN AMERICAN MAYORS ASSOCIATION	DUES AND MEMBERSHIP 23-24	\$1,000.00
88589	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$153.48
88590	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ARMOUR PETROLEUM SVC & EQUIPT	UST FILTER DELIVERY REMOVED & REPLACED FILTERS	\$3,388.93
88591	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ASBURY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	12/29/23 MORTOR OIL RECYCLING	\$100.00
88592	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ATCO Pest Control	COMMUNITY CTR PEST CONTROL SVC JAN24	\$375.00
88593	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BARG COFFIN LEWIS & TRAPP, LLP	LEGAL SVCS THROUGH 12/31/23	\$59.00
88594	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BLAISDELL'S BUSINESS PRODUCTS	GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$266.77
88595	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BOCANEGRA , VIVIAN	CCCSHERIFF ACAMDEMY OCT-DEC23	\$752.40
88596	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC.	LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DEC2023	\$23,118.00
88597	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION	CSBC FY2023-24 Q2	\$524.02
88598	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION	SMIP FEES FY 2023-24 Q2	\$3,004.70
88599	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHAND, NIRAJAN	LUNCH - CHP TESTS	\$16.00
88600	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CINTAS CORPORATION #054 UNIFORMS	CORP YARD UNIFORMS WEEKLY RENTAL	\$212.16
88601	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CITY OF ANTIOCH	MAYORS CONFERENCE	\$70.00
88602	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CITY OF RICHMOND	CAD FEES	\$69,224.17
88603	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COIT	CORP YARD CLOOR CLEANING 12/22/23	\$6,475.00
88604	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES DEPT	SART EXAM AUG 2023	\$1,700.00
88605	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CPS HR Consulting	RECRUITING	\$1,793.93
88606	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CRIME SCENE CLEANERS, INC.	BIOHAZARD CLEAN UP 12/1/23	\$1,250.00
88607	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DATA TICKET, INC.	BUSINESS LICENSES	\$400.00
88608	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DIABLO BOWLING & TROPHIES	CITY COUNCIL GENERAL SUPPLIES	\$54.36
88609	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DON'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	R&R 2 PATROL CAR TIRES	\$363.17
88610	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DUNNIGAN PSYCHOLOGICAL & THREAT ASSESSMENTS	PSYCH EVAL	\$1,600.00
88611	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EL CERRITO TENNIS CLUB	Tennis court reservations	\$219.37
88612	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ELLIOTT, MARIELLE	LUNCH- TACTICAL RIFLE FOR FIRST RESPONDER	\$40.00
88613	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FEDEX	SHIPPING	\$55.98
88614	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FORENSIC SERVICES DIVISION	FORENSIC TESTING	\$4,100.50
88615	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GOLDFARB & LIPMAN LLP	HOUSING	\$224.00
88616	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HASHIMOTO, KENNETH, J.	ICAT TRAIN THE TRAINER	\$634.14
88617	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Hernandez, Danielle	ICAT TRAIN THE TRAINER	\$200.00
88618	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IRON MOUNTAIN	DOCUMENT STORAGE	\$1,030.56
88619	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KATANSKI, ALEXANDER	LUNCH - CHP SFS TESTS	\$16.00
88620	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KENNEDY, GREG, C	DEC 2023 MEDICAL REVIEW	\$2,000.00
88621	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KITTELSON & ASSOCIATES INC	2023 LRSP	\$23,608.21
88622	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KREISBERG LAW FIRM	LEGAL SVCS NOV23	\$4,309.00

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88625	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Norge Cleaners and Alterations	DRY CLEANING	\$300.20
88626	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NUNOKAWA, YOKO	POSTAGE	\$21.76
88627	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$295.99
88628	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	OIL CHANGERS	OIL CHANGE	\$138.40
88629	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PLACEWORKS	SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE	\$1,512.15
88630	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PORTILLO, JOANNA	LUNCH CCC SHERIFF ACADEMY	\$752.40
88631	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PREMIER GRAPHICS	COUNCIL GENERAL OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$143.33
88632	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	REX KEY & SECURITY	SPARE IGNITION KEY	\$85.00
88633	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SAN DIEGO POLICE EQUIPMENT CO.	AMMO	\$5,399.55
88634	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STANTEC CONSULTING	PLANNING STAFFING SUPPORT	\$1,044.00
88635	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SUPER SOCCER STARS	SAT CLASSES NOV-DEC + HASEP/MASEP	\$8,138.40
88636	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Tripepi Smith and Associates , Inc	MONTHLY COMMUNICATION SUPPORT	\$5,342.00
88637	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	WEST COAST VENDING SERVICES, INC.	PD FOOD	\$4,095.31
88638	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EBMUD	EBMUD 10/27/23 - 1/2/24	\$16,556.23
88639	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	4LEAF, INC.	FD PLAN REVIEWS	\$3,480.00
88640	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ALAMEDA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$1,928.29
88641	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	FD APPAREL	\$71.65
88642	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AMERIGAS PROPANE INC	PROPANE FOR FORKLIFTS 12/7 AND 12/28/23	\$1,146.72
88643	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BAKER, DORRICK	MLK DAY EVENT ENTERTAINMENT	\$250.00
88644	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Bay Area Jazz Society	MLK DAY ENTERTAINMENT	\$850.00
88645	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BEND MAILING	JANUARY GREERNER EL CERRITO BILL INSERT	\$1,088.81
88646	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BPXPRESS	ARLINGTON PARK IMPROVEMENTS PLANROOM	\$269.75
88647	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CARRION, DAMIEN	TRUITION REIMBURSEMENT	\$1,506.99
88648	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Codany Holiday	HONORARIUM - MLK DAY EVENT	\$300.00
88649	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DICKINSON FLEET SVCS / COX AUTOMOTIVE	C3: REMOVE & INSTALL BRACKETS	\$9,454.15
88650	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EAST BAY SANITARY CO.INC.	STREET SWEEPING NOV 2023	\$8,587.25
88651	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EVEREST PLUMBING & DRAIN	RELEASE OF BONDS JANUARY 2024	\$792.00
88652	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FUJIWARA, PATTY	OPEN CERAMICS MONDAY EVENING DEC 2023	\$702.00
88653	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	J & O' s COMMERCIAL TIRE CENTER	R4: REPLACE TIRES	\$1,899.54
88654	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KINSEY, KATHRYNE ANN	BRIDGE DEC 2023	\$94.20
88655	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KNORR SYSTEMS, INC.	SODIUM HYPO	\$1,308.26
88656	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	L.N. CURTIS & SONS	FD PPE	\$21,159.18
88657	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MITCHELL, BONNIE	AQUA ZUMBA DEC2023	\$195.50
88658	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MORTON'S URBAN PEST MANAGEMENT	FAIRMONT CLUBHOUSE PEST CONTROL SVC DEC 2023	\$475.00
88659	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	OAKLAND BLACK COWBOY ASSOCIATION	MLK DAY ENTERTAINMENT	\$350.00
88660	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	QUINTO, GABRIEL	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT - LAFCO & MCE EXEC CMTEE MITG	\$59.87
88661	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	R.S. HUGHES CO.	SCBA MODULE BOARD	\$106.01
88662	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	R3 CONSULTING GROUP	ON-CALL SUPPORT	\$570.00
88663	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RESCUE ROOTER	RELEASE OF BONDS JANUARY 2024	\$1,799.12
88664	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL	HONORARIUM - MLK DAY EVENT	\$300.00
88665	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RILE, KATHRYN	OPEN CERAMICS MON AFTERNOON DEC 2023	\$216.00
88666	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ROADSAFE TRAFFIC SYSTEMS, INC.	SAFETY GEAR: RAIN BOOTS. DTO SUPPLIES Misc	\$425.73
88667	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RUBICON ENTERPRISES INC	LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DEC2023	\$14,276.86
88668	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RUIZ, JOE	XFIT DEC 2023	\$756.60
88669	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION	CITY HALL ELEVATOR SVC CALL FOR STUCK CART	\$1,947.27
88670	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SHANNON LAYER POLYGRAPH	POLYGRAPHS	\$1,462.50
88671	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SIGNS BY SCOTT	MLK DAY PLAQUES	\$125.06
88672	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SPEAKWRITE LLC	TRANSCRIPTIONS	\$1,573.80
88673	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ST. FRANCIS ELECTRIC	TS & SL MAINTENANCE DECEMBER ROUTINE 2023	\$8,221.90
88674	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STRYKER CORPORATION	REPAIR LIFEPAK	\$1,014.99
88675	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TROTTER VIDEOGRAPHY	MLK DAY ENTERTAINMENT	\$350.00

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88677	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AVALON ROOTER	RELEASE OF BONDS JANUARY 2024	\$1,730.00
88678	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BLAKE, CADEN, COTTON	HONORARIUM - MLK DAY EVENT, STUDENT SPEAKER	\$100.00
88679	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ALL COUNTY FLOORING	FLOORING	\$30,793.00
88680	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ALVAREZ, NADEEM	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$90.00
88681	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ANCHOR ENGINEERING,, INC.	DEL NORTE TOD COMPLETE STREETS	\$3,052.50
88682	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	AVILA PROJECT MANAGEMENT	RICHMOND STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT	\$12,272.50
88683	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BROSAS, DONOVAN	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$100.00
88684	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	SIGNALS & LIGHTING APR23 - JUNE23	\$9,227.78
88685	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CAMERON, AKIL	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$30.00
88686	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHAND, NIRAJAN	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$90.00
88687	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHILDCARE CAREERS, LLC	FAIRMONT CHILDCARE AIDE	\$4,266.40
88688	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CHOUDJA, PATRICK	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$100.00
88689	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CITY OF RICHMOND	CAD FEES	\$69,224.17
88690	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COIT	CARPET CLEANING	\$1,360.00
88691	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Collier Industries Incorporated dba name Tag, Inc.	LOCKER NAMEPLATE	\$31.34
88692	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COOPER, PAUL	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$50.00
88693	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	COPWARE, INC.	COPWARE SUBSCRIPTION	\$815.00
88694	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	DON'S TIRE SERVICE, INC.	R&R TPMS	\$71.66
88695	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EAGLE BUSINESS FORMS	CITATION PRINTING	\$3,186.14
88696	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ELLIOTT, MARIELLE	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$60.00
88697	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GARDA CL WEST,INC. - CO 120	ARMORED TRANSPORT SVC	\$22.95
88698	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GILMAN STREET PRESS	BUSINESS CARDS INSPECTORS	\$55.38
88699	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	GYALTSO, TRINLAY	OVERTIME MEALS	\$10.00
88700	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HABASH, GEORGE	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$60.00
88701	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HASHIMOTO, KENNETH, J.	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$110.00
88702	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Hernandez, Danielle	OVERTIME MEALS	\$100.00
88703	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HUBBS, SIDNEY	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$30.00
88704	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IACP	IACP RENEWAL - KEITH	\$190.00
88705	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KARKI, RAVI	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$60.00
88706	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KATANSKI, ALEXANDER	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$70.00
88707	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	L.N. CURTIS & SONS	(3) 1 X 5 VELCRO NAME STRIPS FOR EXT VEST CARRIER	\$2,294.04
88708	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LEONE AARON	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$90.00
88709	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MA, SANG	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$90.00
88710	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MALIK, ASHER	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$60.00
88711	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MIRANDA, LESLY	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$10.00
88712	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$260.59
88713	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Olivieri, Michael	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$140.00
88714	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PERALES, EDWARD, J.	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$90.00
88715	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PREMIER GRAPHICS	BUSINESS CARDS	\$1,019.81
88716	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RAMOS, STEPHANIE, R	ZUMBA DEC 2023	\$5,454.60
88717	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RAMOS-BANALES*ALICIA	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$10.00
88718	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RANDHAWA, ARISHDEEP	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$30.00
88719	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RESTORATION DESIGN GROUP (RGD)	HNA SIGN REVISIONS	\$2,400.00
88720	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	REYNOLDS, RYAN	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$30.00
88721	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Rivera, Humberto	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$110.00
88722	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RIZZO, JAMES	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$10.00
88723	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ROBERTS, ANTHONY	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$60.00
88724	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RYDER, GODSON	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$80.00
88725	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SIMPSON INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES GROUP	BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION	\$2,182.25
88726	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SOTO, PATRICIA	CONSULTANT SVCS - WATER SLIDE REPLACEMENT PROJECT	\$1,878.00
88727	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SOUTH BAY REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING	TUITION - INNER PERSPECTIVES OFFICER ELLIOT	\$500.00
88728	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	STATE OF CA DEPT OF JUSTICE	FINGER PRINTING	\$1,132.00

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88731	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TANG, GILBERT	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$250.00
88732	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TRAC, RYAN, L.	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$120.00
88733	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	UNITED CALIFORNIA ACCESS & SECURITY	SOCIAL HALL DOOR REPAIR & ADA	\$15,700.00
88734	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	VAZQUEZ-AVALOS, SERGIO	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$190.00
88735	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	WENTWORTH*DAVID	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$20.00
88736	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	WEST COAST FLOOR COMPANY	SOCIAL HALL & SKYLIGHT ROOM FLOOR REFINISHING	\$13,650.00
88737	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	WINTERS, CHRISTOPHER	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$20.00
88738	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ZHAO, ZITIAN	OVERTIME MEALS JULY-DEC23	\$10.00
88739	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	ZOON ENGINEERING, INC.	ARLINGTON PARK IMPROVEMENTS C3082	\$6,705.90
88740	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	COMPUTER SPEAKERS	\$175.07
88741	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	BERKELEY COUNTRY CLUB	REMAINING BALANCE OWED FOR CCMAYORS CONF	\$7,369.41
88742	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CINTAS CORPORATION #054 UNIFORMS	CORP YARD WEEKLY UNIFORM RENTAL	\$212.16
88743	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FJ&I ENGINEERING, INC.	MOESER LANE CONCRETE CLEANUP DEC 2023. 23-107 CONCRETE CLEAN UP	\$2,800.00
88744	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	HONEY BUCKET	CENTRAL PARK SVC 1/9/24-2/8/24	\$221.05
88745	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IRON MOUNTAIN	DOCUMENT STORAGE	\$1,026.20
88746	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LEAGUE OF CALIF.CITIES	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES 2024	\$11,672.00
88747	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LEHR AUTO ELECTRIC & EMERGENCY	TRUCK M23 WHELEN L41 BEACON AMBER LIGHT	\$282.35
88748	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MEYERS NAVE	SEP 23 EL CERRITO PLAZA BART DEV PROJECT - CR	\$24,200.26
88749	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	NAVELLIER, BRENDA	REFRIGERATION REPAIR PAID BY EMPLOYEE	\$95.00
88750	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PASTIME HARDWARE	MISC REPAIR	\$3.79
88751	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PLAZA AUTO SERVICE INC	M41 SVC RENEW FUEL PUMP & FILTER, BATTERY, STARTER,	\$2,554.34
88752	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	R.S. HUGHES CO.	SCBA MAINTENANCE	\$2,321.84
88753	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	RENNE PUBLIC LAW GROUP	GRANT WRITING SVCS DEC 2023	\$4,500.00
88754	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	S.P. AUTOMOTIVE	ENGINE MIRROR	\$36.14
88755	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SSD ALARM	CANYON TRAIL CLUBHOUSE ALARM SVC FEB2024	\$863.01
88756	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	TOYOTA MATERIAL HANDLING NC	H30T FORKLIFT TENSIONER BELT REPLC & HYDRAULIC FLUID/FILTER SVC	\$2,935.19
88757	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	Tripepi Smith and Associates , Inc	COMMUNICATION SUPPORT	\$5,342.00
88758	01/25/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MALEK, LADIE	PARTIAL REFUND REQUEST FOR PL23-0033	\$473.12
88759	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CALPERS LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM	PER3 - CALPERS Longterm Care Ins	\$39.66
88760	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EL CERRITO FIRE DEPT MGMT GRP	MGT1 - FIRE DEPT MGMT GROUP	\$50.00
88761	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EL CERRITO PUBLIC SFTY EE MGMT	MGT2 - SAFETY EMPLOYEE MGMT GROUP	\$768.00
88762	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	FIRE ASSOCIATION	DUE2 - FIRE ASSN DUES	\$480.00
88763	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	LIFE INSURANCE OF NORTH AMERICA	ACCD - Accidental Death & Dismembermt	\$69.50
88764	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	POLICE ASSN.	DUE1 - POLICE ASSN DUES	\$5,442.39
88765	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PRO FIREFIGHTERS ASSN DUES	DUE3 - EC PRO FIREFIGHTERS DUES	\$270.00
88766	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	SEIU LOCAL 1021	COPE - VOLUNTARY COPE DEDUCTION*	\$1,680.75
88767	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	U.S. BANK - INSTITUTIONAL TRUST - W REGION	PAR - PARS - ARS 457*	\$2,354.83
TOTAL CHECKS					302 Transactions			\$1,380,311.77
Accounts Payable EFTs								
2655	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	JPMorgan Chase Bank	RECYCLING CTR 2012 PFA REFI 10/1-12/31/23	\$76,623.57
2657	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CAPITAL ONE PUBLIC FUNDING, LLC	DEBT PAYMENT FOR PURCHASING GARBAGE TRUCKS/ LOAN#100750311	\$43,789.81
2658	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	U.S. BANK	2017 COP BONDS DS PYMT DUE 1.15.24	\$447,681.25
2659	01/03/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CalPERS (CA Public Employees' Retirement System)	REPLACEMENT BENEFIT CONTRIBUTION, RBP	\$1,056.60
2661	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CalPERS (CA Public Employees' Retirement System)	CALPERS UAL REMITTANCE JANUARY 2024	\$158,073.33
2662	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CalPERS (CA Public Employees' Retirement System)	CALPERS UAL REMITTANCE JANUARY 2024	\$351,890.50
2663	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CalPERS (CA Public Employees' Retirement System)	CALPERS UAL REMITTANCE JANUARY 2024	\$570.42
2664	01/02/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CalPERS (CA Public Employees' Retirement System)	CALPERS UAL REMITTANCE JANUARY 2024	\$1,414.83
2666	01/09/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PG&E	PG&E 11/01/23 - 11/30/23	\$14,642.00
2667	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EDD - PAYROLL TAX DEPOSIT	CA - CA Tax	\$50,477.62
2668	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IRS	FED - Fed Tax*	\$180,138.69
2669	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MissionSquare (name chg 03-2021 formerly ICMA)	ICM1 - ICMA-457 #300530 FLAT DOLLAR*	\$58,417.64

Payment Register

From Payment Date: 1/1/2024 - To Payment Date: 1/30/2024

Number	Date	Status	Void Reason	Reconciled/ Voided Date	Source	Payee Name	Description	Transaction Amount
2670	01/12/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	P E R S	PE1% - PERS SEIU*	\$205,291.98
2671	01/18/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	KATZ, JUDY	SENIOR FITNESS DEC 2023	\$97.20
2672	01/17/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PG&E	PG&E 12/2/23 - 1/2/24	\$21,394.83
2673	01/17/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	CALIFORNIA DEPT OF TAX & FEE ADMIN (CDTFA)	4Q23 SALES AND USE TAX 100-583474	\$202.00
2675	01/24/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	PG&E	PG&E 12/1/23 - 1/1/24	\$22,261.93
2676	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	EDD - PAYROLL TAX DEPOSIT	CA - CA Tax	\$40,592.56
2677	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	IRS	FED - Fed Tax*	\$156,445.76
2678	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	MissionSquare (name chg 03-2021 formerly ICMA)	ICM1 - ICMA-457 #300530 FLAT DOLLAR*	\$55,179.37
2679	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	P E R S	PE CM PEPRA - PERS CM PEPRA*	\$193,369.58
2680	01/26/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	U.S. BANK - CORPORATE PAYMENT SYS	CALCARD JAN2024 PAYMENT	\$49,741.11
2705	01/30/2024	Open			Accounts Payable	OLD REPUBLIC TITLE COMPANY	PURCHASE PROPERTY 10936 SAN PABLO AVE	\$1,521,306.22
Total EFTs					23 Transactions			\$3,650,658.80

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	Category	Count	Transaction
	Payments	325	\$5,030,970.57
	Total	325	\$5,030,970.57

PAYROLL	All	Status	Count	Transaction
		Total Checks	95	\$75,785.91
		Total EFTs	448	\$1,075,308.67
		Total	543	\$1,151,094.58

GRAND TOTAL	868	\$6,182,065.15
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AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 7.B.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: A'shanti Coleman, Management Assistant, Public Works Department;
Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Subject: California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Form 130 -
Designation of Authorized Agents

ACTION PROPOSED

Adopt a resolution designating the City Manager, Finance Director, and Public Works Director as the City's agents to provide required assurances and execute agreements for the purposes of obtaining financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for any disaster aid and grant program; approving the corresponding Cal OES Form 130; and authorizing the City Manager to file the Cal OES Form 130 with Cal OES and submit all related documentation.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

To be eligible for state and federal financial assistance after any state disaster proclamation or presidential disaster declaration as well as other state and federal hazard mitigation programs, the City Council must designate City agents responsible for providing required assurances and executing agreements with FEMA and Cal OES on behalf of the City and approve the corresponding Cal OES Form 130. In March 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution 2021-08 designating the City Manager, Finance Director and Public Works Director as the City's agents for this purpose. These positions were designated by title, instead of specific names, to be effective for all open and future disasters and grant programs up to three (3) years following the date of approval. Because the designation will expire as of March 1, 2024, City staff request that the City Council adopt a new resolution taking the same approach to expedite processing of financial assistance and grant applications in the future.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *Community Safety* by strengthening El Cerrito's overall disaster preparedness capabilities, resources, and tools and implementing changes as needed to ensure the City is properly positioned to respond to disasters.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The requested action does not constitute a “Project” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15378 and therefore is exempt from any further consideration under CEQA. Projects that may be funded by FEMA and Cal OES financial assistance will require project-specific environmental review.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Adoption of the resolution will permit the City to obtain financial assistance for all open and future disasters declared by the state or federal government and other FEMA and Cal OES grant programs up to three (3) years following the date of approval.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City Attorney has reviewed the proposed action and found that legal considerations have been addressed.

Reviewed by:

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Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit A to Resolution

RESOLUTION 2024-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER, FINANCE DIRECTOR AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AS THE CITY'S AGENTS TO PROVIDE REQUIRED ASSURANCES AND EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF OBTAINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) FOR ANY DISASTER AID AND GRANT PROGRAM; APPROVING THE CORRESPONDING CAL OES FORM 130; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND FILE THE CAL OES FORM 130 AND SUBMIT ALL RELATED DOCUMENTATION

WHEREAS, to be eligible for state and federal financial assistance after any state disaster proclamation or presidential disaster declaration as well as other state and federal hazard mitigation programs, the City Council must designate City agents responsible for providing required assurances and executing agreements with FEMA and Cal OES on behalf of the City and approve the corresponding Cal OES Form 130; and

WHEREAS, In March 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution 2021-08 designating the City Manager, Finance Director and Public Works Director as the City's agents for this purpose, and these positions were designated by title, instead of specific names, to be effective for all open and future disasters and grant programs up to three (3) years following the date of approval; and

WHEREAS, because the designation will expire March 1, 2024, a new resolution is needed so as to expedite processing of financial assistance and grant applications in the future.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Cerrito that designates the City Manager, Finance Director and Public Works Director as the City's agents to provide required assurances and execute agreements for the purposes of obtaining financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for any disaster or existing or future grant program; approving the corresponding Cal OES Form 130; and authorizing the City Manager to file the Cal OES Form 130 with Cal OES and submit all related documentation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on February 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the
City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charl  ty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Tessa Rudnick, Mayor



Cal OES ID No: _____

DESIGNATION OF APPLICANT'S AGENT RESOLUTION FOR NON-STATE AGENCIES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE _____ OF THE _____
(Governing Body) (Name of Applicant)

THAT _____, OR
(Title of Authorized Agent)

_____, OR
(Title of Authorized Agent)

(Title of Authorized Agent)

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the _____,
(Name of Applicant)

a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, this application and to file it with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance for any existing or future grant program, including, but not limited to any of the following:

- **Federally declared Disaster (DR), Fire Mitigation Assistance Grant (FMAG), California State Only Disaster (CDAA), Immediate Services Program (ISP), Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC), Legislative Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (LPDM),** under
- Public Law 93-288 as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act.
- **Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA),** under Section 1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968.
- **National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP)** 42 U.S. Code 7704 (b) ((2) (A) (ix) and 42 U.S. Code 7704 (b) (2) (B) National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program, and also The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018, Div. F, Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2018, Pub. L. No. 115-141
- **California Early Earthquake Warning (CEEW)** under CA Gov Code – Gov, Title 2, Div. 1, Chapter 7, Article 5, Sections 8587.8, 8587.11, 8587.12

That the _____, a public entity established under the
(Name of Applicant)

laws of the State of California, hereby authorizes its agent(s) to provide to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services for all matters pertaining to such state disaster assistance the assurances and agreements required.



Please check the appropriate box below

- ☐ This is a universal resolution and is effective for all open and future disasters/grants declared up to three (3) years following the date of approval.
- ☐ This is a disaster/grant specific resolution and is effective for only disaster/grant number(s): _____

Passed and approved this ____ day of _____, 20 ____

(Name and Title of Governing Body Representative)

(Name and Title of Governing Body Representative)

(Name and Title of Governing Body Representative)

CERTIFICATION

I, _____, duly appointed and _____ of
(Name) (Title)

_____, do hereby certify that the above is a true and
(Name of Applicant)

correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the _____
(Governing Body)

of the _____ on the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.
(Name of Applicant)

(Signature)

(Title)



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 7.C.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Will Provost, Assistant to the City Manager, City Management
Subject: Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement with Tripepi Smith

ACTION PROPOSED

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

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

In order to augment and enhance the communications, outreach, and critical information being provided to the community, in September 2022, the City engaged Tripepi Smith to add capacity and expertise and to help provide the critically needed communication of information to the public. This support has been vital to executing and expanding the City's communications program, following the reorganization of the City Manager's Office as part of budget reductions made in 2020, which included the elimination of two positions in the City Manager's Office, as well as more recently as two staff members have gone on brief periods of parental leave.

In March 2023, the City filled one of the positions that was eliminated during the 2020 budget reductions, the Assistant to the City Manager/Public Information Officer. This position has been charged with overseeing the City's overall communications program. Nonetheless, in re-filling the position after a more than 2-year hiatus, City Management has also expanded the role of this position to focus on the implementation and execution of key citywide projects identified in the City's Strategic Plan. As a result, continued consultant support for communications serves to extend staff's capacity, allowing the City Manager's Office to make progress more quickly on key City projects and initiatives.

Tripepi Smith's scope includes developing and publishing social media posts and press releases, and coordinating with staff across the City to ensure key outreach messages are highlighted, as well as the design and production of the City's News & Views print newsletter sent to all households and businesses in El Cerrito. Since starting the contract for the City in September 2022, the City has had an average of 23,134 "impressions" per month, with the City's reach continuing to grow. With Tripepi Smith's support, the City has also been able to successfully begin publishing the News & Views print newsletter once again.

The initial agreement with Tripepi Smith was entered into on September 6, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 through March 6, 2023. With authorization from the City Council (Resolution 2023-13), the term of the agreement was extended through June 30, 2023 for a total amount not to exceed \$70,000 in Fiscal Year 2023.

A new agreement for Fiscal Year 2024 was entered into on July 1, 2023 in an amount of \$42,736, and with a term ending February 29, 2024. This request is to extend the term of the existing contract, through June 30, 2024. City Management will continue to evaluate the need for these services in future years and the most economical and effective approach to providing critical communications to the community.

Pursuant to Resolution 2017-71A, contracts up to \$45,000 may be authorized by the City Manager. The same Resolution stipulates that purchases made from a single vendor (either individually or collectively within one fiscal year) over \$45,000 requires City Council approval. City staff is therefore recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend the current agreement with Tripepi Smith in the amount of \$22,264 for a total amount not to exceed \$65,000.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *High Performing Organization;*
- *Livability and Belonging; and*
- *Community Safety.*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The total cost of this extension is \$22,264. Funding for the total not to exceed amount of \$65,000 was included in the adopted FY 2023-24 General Fund budget for the City Manager's Department, with the amount for the extension of \$22,264 included under the City Manager's Department, Other Technical Services.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City Attorney has reviewed the proposed action, and the Consulting services agreement conforms to the City's standard agreement as approved by the City Attorney.

Reviewed by:



Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AND TRIPEPI SMITH FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the City Manager first entered into a Consulting Services Agreement on September 6, 2022, between Tripepi Smith and the City of El Cerrito for public communication services in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 through March 6, 2023;

WHEREAS, with authorization from the City Council (Resolution 2023-13), the City extended the term of the agreement through June 30, 2023, for a total amount not to exceed \$70,000 in Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and

WHEREAS, after determining that continued communication services support was necessary, the City entered into a new agreement for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, effective July 1, 2023 in an amount of \$42,736, with a term ending February 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has determined that continued communications support is necessary to augment and enhance the City's ability to provide critical information to the public and fulfill other key City objectives with existing staffing; and

WHEREAS the City's Procurement Policy requires City Council approval for purchases made from a single vendor collectively within one fiscal year totaling over \$45,000; and

WHEREAS an extension of the contract terms through June 30, 2024 would increase the total contract amount by \$22,264 for a total amount not to exceed \$65,000.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Cerrito that it hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute an amendment to the terms of the consulting services agreement with Tripepi Smith, increasing compensation by \$22,264 for an amount not to exceed \$65,000 through June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on February 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Tessa Rudnick, Mayor



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 7.D.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Christopher Jones, Recreation Director, Recreation Department
Subject: Amendment to Custodial Services Agreement with Universal Building Services

ACTION PROPOSED

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to extend the Recreation Department's custodial services agreement with Universal Building Services through the remainder of fiscal year (FY) 2023-24 for a total amount not to exceed \$110,000.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On February 1, 2022, the City entered into a custodial services agreement with Universal Building Services (UBS) to provide temporary custodial services at City Hall, the Corporation Yard, the Recycling Center and the Swim Center due to the last minute resignation of one of the City's Custodians. The agreement, which is managed and funded by the Recreation Department, has been subsequently extended two times, with City Council approval, most recently on March 21, 2023. UBS was already performing custodial services at the El Cerrito Library in a satisfactory manner. Utilizing UBS at the additional City facilities for the City's temporary needs instead of issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for custodial services allowed the City to maintain and continue critical cleaning and disinfecting needs, without interruption, during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to custodial services, the City also purchases cleaning supplies from UBS for City parks, the El Cerrito Library, and the three fire stations within El Cerrito and Kensington.

The City is currently developing a Classification and Compensation Plan that should be completed in the spring of 2024. City staff believes that it would be beneficial and provide greater flexibility for City operations to wait for the conclusion of the study before filling the current vacancy as roles and responsibilities could change based on the plan's recommendations. This concept was discussed with SEIU 1021 during a Union Management Meeting (UMAT) and no objections were raised.

Pursuant to Resolution 2017-71A, services and purchases made from a single vendor (either individually or collectively within one fiscal year) over \$45,000 requires City Council approval. The cost of extending the Recreation Department's custodial services agreement with UBS through the end of Fiscal Year 2023-24 is \$43,000, for a projected annual cost of approximately \$79,000. Additionally, the purchasing of custodial services and supplies by other City Departments is projected to be an amount not to exceed approximately \$31,000 by the end of the fiscal year. In total, Citywide expenditures by UBS are projected to be an amount not to exceed \$110,000, which goes beyond the City Manager's spending authority of \$45,000 by \$65,000.

The cost of this increase will be paid for with salary savings from the currently funded and vacant custodial position in the Recreation Department. The breakdown of projected costs of services and supplies is detailed in Table 1 below:

TABLE 1 - FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 PROJECTED CITYWIDE UBS EXPENDITURES

Citywide Service/Supplies Purchases	Amount
Recreation Department UBS Expenditures	
Recreation Dept. Contracted Custodial Services, July - December 2023 (City Hall, Corporation Yard, Recycling Center, Swim Center & Special Projects)	\$29,000
<i>Projected Additional Recreation Dept. Contracted Custodial Services, January - June 2024</i>	<i>\$43,000</i>
Additional Services (Contingency)	\$7,000
Projected Total Recreation Dept. UBS Services, FY2023-24	\$79,000
Other City Departments' UBS Expenditures	
Projected Annual Library Custodial Services (Public Works Dept.)	\$15,000
Projected Annual Parks and Library Supplies (Public Works Dept.)	\$6,000
Projected Annual Fire Stations Supplies (Fire Dept.)	\$7,000
Additional Supplies or Services (Contingency)	\$3,000
Projected Other City Dept. Contracted UBS Services & Supplies, Fiscal Year 2023-24	\$31,000
Projected Citywide Total UBS Services & Supplies For FY2023-24	\$110,000

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This item is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal: Infrastructure and Amenities

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The cost for this request is covered by existing salary savings in the Recreation Department's current fiscal year budget. No amendments to the budget are required.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City Attorney has reviewed the proposed action and found that legal considerations have been addressed.

Reviewed by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Pinkos".

Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION 2024-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CUSTODIAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AND UNIVERSAL BUILDING SERVICES FOR CONTINUED SERVICES FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$110,000 FOR ALL SERVICES AND SUPPLIES IN FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

WHEREAS, in February 2022 the City of El Cerrito entered into a custodial services agreement with Universal Building Services (UBS) to provide custodial services to maintain cleaning and disinfection services after the resignation of a City employee in the Recreation Department and the agreement was subsequently extended on April 21, 2022 and March 21, 2023 with City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, UBS also provides custodial services at the El Cerrito Library and provides custodial supplies used in City parks, the library and at the 3 fire stations in El Cerrito and Kensington; and

WHEREAS, the custodial position remains vacant pending recommendations from the Classification and Compensation Study that is in progress; and

WHEREAS, the cost for all services and supplies provided by UBS to the City are projected to be an additional \$67,000 to cover the second half of the fiscal year for a total amount not to exceed \$110,000 utilizing available funds in the City's budget; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2017-71A, total purchases from a single vendor exceeding \$45,000 require City Council approval.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Cerrito authorizes the City Manager to execute an amendment to the custodial services agreement with Universal Building Services for an additional amount of \$67,000 for a total amount of services and supplies from this vendor not to exceed \$110,000 in Fiscal Year 2023-24.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on February 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Tessa Rudnick, Mayor



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 7.E.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Aissia Ashoori, Housing Manager; Jarrett Mullen, Sustainable Transportation Program Manager, Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director; Community Development Department
Subject: A Resolution Authorizing Execution of An Agreement for the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities Program for El Cerrito Plaza Parcel A South for Transit-Oriented Development at the El Cerrito Plaza Station and submission of an application for Affordable Housing Sustainable Community Program funds as a co-applicant with the Related Companies of California

ACTION PROPOSED

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for the Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program as a co-applicant with the Related Companies of California, LLC (Developer), for El Cerrito Plaza Station Transit-Oriented Development (TOD), Parcel A South (EC-PAS) located at 515 Richmond Street, to construct 70 affordable housing units and associated multimodal transportation improvements and to submit an application to the AHSC Program as a co-applicant.

BACKGROUND

The Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program is administered by the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) and implemented by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The purpose of the AHSC Program is to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through projects that implement land use, housing, and transportation projects to reduce overall vehicle miles traveled. On January 19, 2024, SGC and HCD issued a [Notice of Funding Availability](#) (NOFA) for Round 8 with approximately \$675 million available.

Funding for the AHSC Program is provided from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, an account established by the State to receive Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds. The maximum AHSC Program loan or grant award or combination therefore per applicant is \$50 million with a minimum award of at least \$10 million. A single developer may receive no more than \$100 million per NOFA funding cycle.

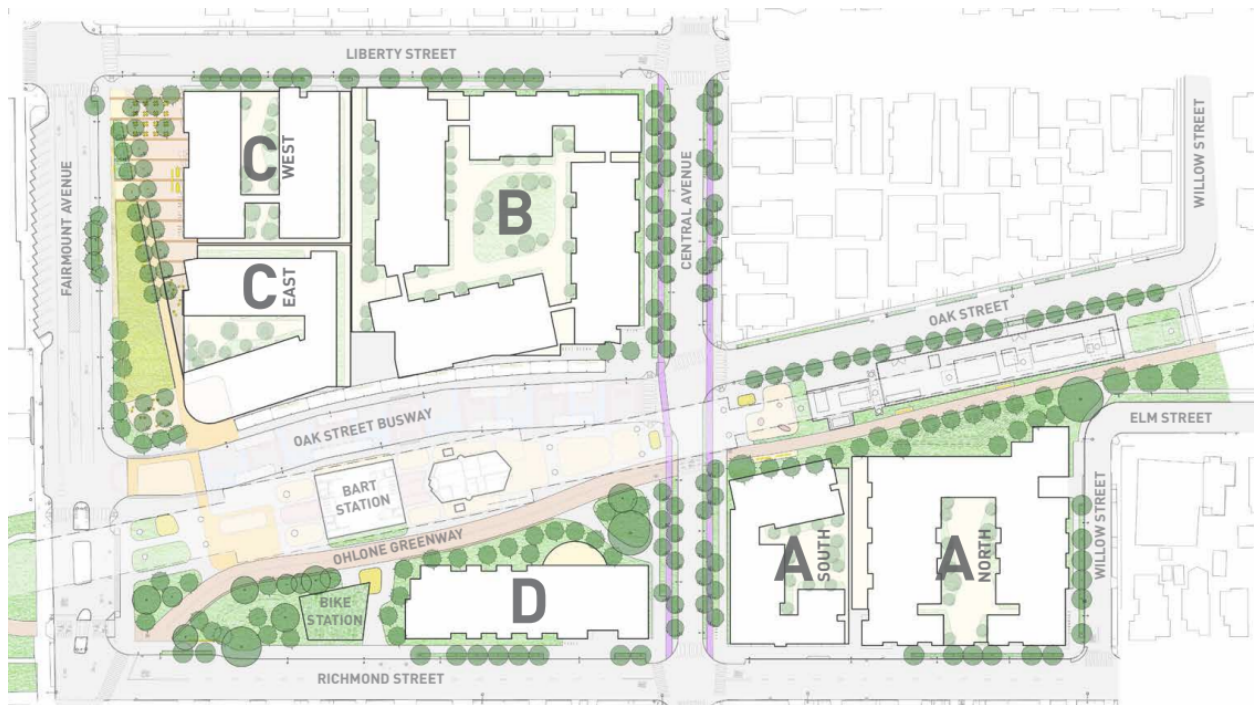
The deadline for this competitive application is March 19, 2024. If a public agency has a financial interest in the proposed project, HCD requires that the City be a co-applicant and enter into a contractual agreement to develop the project, if awarded. Award announcements are expected to be adopted by SGC in August 2024.

Previously, the City has been successful in securing these competitive funds to develop housing proximate to transit. In 2015, the City and Eden Housing applied for and received AHSC funds for [Hana Gardens Senior Apartments](#). There were three components to the award: 1) Housing; 2) Transportation Funds (Ohlone Greenway); and 3) Transit Passes. The 62-unit affordable housing project was successfully completed in 2018 with critical support from this program. In 2021, the City, BRIDGE Housing and BART again successfully applied for and received AHSC funds for [Mayfair Affordable](#) adjacent to the El Cerrito del Norte BART Station. There were four components to the award: 1) Housing; 2) Transportation Funds (new fare gates, BART cars); 3) [El Cerrito del Norte TOD Complete Streets Improvements Project](#); and 4) Transit Passes. This 69-unit affordable housing project is on track to break ground in June 2024.

ANALYSIS

The preliminary development concept for the Plaza BART TOD project includes 743 units across six buildings on 6.48 acres and will be delivered in six phases. Currently, the proposed levels of affordability are: 53% market-rate and 47% below market rate consisting of 31% affordable (30% - 60% of [area median income](#)) and 16% low income (up to 80% area median income). Below is a site map and additional details can be located online at www.el-cerrito.org/TOD.

Exhibit 1: El Cerrito Plaza Proposed Transit Oriented Development Site Map



The City, The Related Companies of California, LLC (Developer) and BART have been exploring a variety of financing options to move the first affordable phase forward - Parcel A South located at 515 Richmond Street (Project). On [February 7, 2023](#), the City Council committed a \$350,000 predevelopment loan as a local match to support the Project with predevelopment activities. Subsequently, the entitlement approval for the Project was issued on April 3, 2023.

The Project previously applied for the AHSC Program, Round 7, in March 2023 and the final application score was one point short of receiving a funding award. This was in part due to the total funds committed to the Project at the time of application in March 2023 which totaled \$350,000, although other funding applications were concurrently pending review. Since Spring 2023, the Project secured an additional \$10,000,000 from the State and County sources thus resulting in a more competitive application for AHSC, Round 8. To date, the El Cerrito Plaza Station TOD has secured over \$50,000,000 in various grant funding. City staff are actively partnering with the Developer to monitor and pursue other funding opportunities.

The AHSC Program is one of the State's largest sources of funding to support affordable housing. As mentioned, AHSC guidelines and scoring are driven by the pairing of affordable housing and transportation connectivity. The maximum award amount for TOD projects, located less than one-half mile of transit stop/station, is capped at \$50 million with \$35 million earmarked for housing and \$15 million for transportation. It should be noted that AHSC does not partially fund the application requests but will only fully fund the entire ask to ensure that the GHG reduction benefits proposed will be fully realized.

The AHSC application is a joint effort between the Developer and the City, as co-applicant. BART (non-applicant) is the transportation partner in this competitive application and will have obligations to perform under the AHSC Program if awarded. Currently, the Developer and the City intend to apply for AHSC funds in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000. Assembling this application is a critical step in moving this Project into construction.

Leveraging AHSC will provide the largest funding source for this affordable housing project as well as money to support multi-modal transportation improvements. The Project's scope will also focus on enhanced bicycling and pedestrian facilities within one mile around the TOD at El Cerrito Plaza Station. As outlined in the NOFA, AHSC Program requirements prescribe the following eligible activities:

1. Affordable Housing Developments (AHD): Housing developments - rental and homeownership.
2. Housing-Related Infrastructure (HRI): Specific infrastructure improvements associated with housing

3. Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure (STI): Improvements that are related to movement, and range from street work, transit, bikeways, sidewalks, crosswalks, ramps, etc.
4. Transportation-Related Amenities (TRA): Includes amenities that are classified as non-movement of people and related to transportation infrastructure such as bike parking, repair kiosks, bus shelters, urban greening, etc.
5. Program Costs (PGM): Includes active transportation, transit ridership, anti-displacement activities, workforce development programs, etc.

The above eligible activities are also very much aligned with the City's *San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan*, *Affordable Housing Strategy*, *Housing Element*, *Active Transportation Plan* and *Climate Action Plan*. The AHSC Program also fosters collaboration between the City's Community Development Department and Public Works Department as well as BART. The Developer, with the City as joint applicant, partnered with BART to identify the areas where AHSC grant money could be allocated competitively and most effectively for our community to encourage residents to walk, bike, and use public transit. Along with the City's vision articulated in these various policies and plans, El Cerrito was designated as a Prohousing jurisdiction by the State on February 3, 2023. As a result of this designation, the Project is eligible for bonus points in the AHSC scoring.

Below is summary of the categories that will be applied for by the Project, consistent with the eligible activities, totaling approximately \$33 million.

1. \$17.5 million – AHD/HRI - Developer
 - Affordable housing units for very-low income households.
 - Housing related infrastructure for factory-built modular housing units.
 - This funding will be in the form of a loan directly to the Developer. The City will not receive or hold these funds. Under the required AHSC structure, however, the City as a co-applicant will be jointly and severally liable for the loan.
2. \$13.5 million - STI - City and BART
 - \$4.6 million - City: Sidewalk, crosswalk, pedestrian, and bicycle transportation improvements within the public right of way. This funding will be in the form of a grant directly to the City to use on identified improvements.
 - \$8.9 million - BART: Purchase fleet of the future rail cars. This funding will be in the form of a grant. The City will be the grant recipient, but funds will be held by the State, not the City. Once BART has expended funds on qualifying purchases, BART will submit paperwork to the City, the City will submit the documents to the State, the State will release grant funds to the City, and the City will pass them through to BART.

3. \$1.5 million - TRA - Developer

- Assist with the construction of transportation improvements to improve bus access along Oak Street.
- This funding will be in the form of a grant. Funds may be held by the State or the City. Depending on the final structure, either the City will disburse funds for qualifying improvement work by Developer, or the State will release grant funds to the City, and the City will pass them through to the Developer upon submission of necessary documentation.

4. \$700,000 - Programs

- Purchase of transit passes for Project residents.
- Funding to support anti-displacement activities for low-income El Cerrito tenants including legal aid, housing counseling and financial literacy workshops.
- This funding will be in the form of a grant. Funds will be held by the State, not the City. The City will receive and pass through the funds to the Developer or a related entity upon submission of necessary documentation.

An item of note is that staff is requesting authorization for the maximum AHSC application amount of \$50 million to allow for adjustments that may occur between now and the application deadline. The attached resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute agreements, applications, and related documents up to the \$50 million maximum, consistent with this resolution and to carry out the intent of the City's participation in the AHSC program as a co-applicant for Project funding.

AHSC Co-Applicant Agreement

In previous AHSC applications, the City Council authorized the City Manager to negotiate and enter into an agreement as co-applicants. This process is also aligned with other jurisdictions seeking AHSC funds. Below is a summary of the standard terms within the agreement.

- Provide terms and obligations between the Developer, City and BART.
- Provide a schedule of performance.
- Provide terms for the application funding components, including roles and responsibilities for making the STI and TRA improvements.
- Provide terms for funding and reimbursement of STI and TRA improvements.
- Provide reimbursement procedures.
- Confirm that Developer, City and BART will work in good faith and in a timely manner.

Staff believes that the Project is a strong candidate for AHSC and is seeking City Council authorization to allow the City Manager to proceed with the AHSC Program agreement. This TOD will be a transformative project that will deliver high-quality affordable housing at El Cerrito Plaza BART Station along with associated multimodal

transportation infrastructure improvements. If the application is successful, it will increase the City's affordable housing production while providing much needed transportation infrastructure improvements to reduce GHG.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *Livability and Belonging; and*
- *Infrastructure and Amenities; and*
- *Environmental Sustainability.*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Project is subject to ministerial review under applicable provisions of AB 2923 and SB 35. No review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") is required for the Project. It can be seen with certainty that the AHSC Program funding will have no significant effects on the environment different from the ECP-PAS development itself. No review under CEQA is required for the proposed action (CEQA Guidelines section 15061). It is further exempted under Government Code section 65913.4(j) which also applies to any financing assistance associated with the Project.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City is not required to provide additional matching funds toward this application. The time of City employees spent administering the grant is not eligible for grant funds.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

This has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

Reviewed by:



Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION 2024-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AS A CO-APPLICANT WITH THE RELATED COMPANIES OF CALIFORNIA, LLC, FOR EL CERRITO PLAZA STATION TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PARCEL A SOUTH LOCATED AT 515 RICHMOND STREET IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000,000

WHEREAS, the State of California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) have issued a Notice of Funding Availability, Round 8, dated January 19, 2024 (NOFA), under the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program established under Division 44, Part 1 of the Public Resources Code commencing with Section 75200; and

WHEREAS, the project known as El Cerrito Parcel A South (EC-PAS) is located at 515 Richmond Street (Project) is seeking to apply for an award of AHSC Program funds to construct 70 units of affordable rental housing; and

WHEREAS, the Project was entitled on April 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Related Companies of California, LLC (Developer) - as a joint applicant with the City of El Cerrito, desire to apply for AHSC Program funds and submit the application package for the AHSC Program to provide financing for the Project, funding for additional public transportation improvements on behalf of BART and funding for certain transportation infrastructure improvements to be constructed by the City, including sidewalk, crosswalk, pedestrian, and bicycle transportation improvements within the public right of way. The AHSC Program funds sought will be a loan to the Developer or a partner of Developer in an amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 (the "AHSC Loan") and grant funds for the Developer, City, and BART (the "AHSC Grant") and AHSC program costs in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000; and

WHEREAS, there will be one application submitted for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the AHSC program requires that the co-applicants enter into an agreement with any non-application recipients such as BART as part of the application process; and

WHEREAS, the SGC is authorized to approve funding allocations for the AHSC Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement; and

WHEREAS, HCD is authorized to administer the approved funding allocations of the AHSC Program; and

WHEREAS, there is substantial need for additional funds for the development of affordable housing in the City of El Cerrito as well as transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, as co-applicants, the City and Related will be jointly and severally liable for the performance of the obligations under the AHSC program, including the performance of BART; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the parties' joint and several liability and to ensure that the AHSC projects are completed in a timely manner so that the AHSC Loan is disbursed upon completion of the construction of the Project, the City, Developer and BART, are proposing to enter into the AHSC Co-Applicants Agreement to address each party's obligations under the AHSC Program as well as to provide mutual indemnifications for each party in the event a party fails to perform; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to delegate authority to the City Manager or her designee to execute an agreement to apply for, receive and accept such AHSC Program Funds on behalf of the City, and to negotiate, execute, enter into and deliver such agreements and instruments with HCD related to or in connection with such AHSC Program Funds without returning to the City Council, including agreements with the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) for transportation-related improvements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Cerrito that the City is hereby authorized to submit an application for AHSC funds as a co-applicant with the Developer in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City is authorized and directed to incur an obligation for the AHSC Loan, and that in connection with the AHSC Loan, the City Manager or her designee is authorized and directed on behalf of the City to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to carry into effect the full intent and purpose of this Resolution or as may be required by HCD in connection with the AHSC Loan and all amendments thereto (collectively, the AHSC Loan Documents).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City is hereby authorized and directed to incur an obligation for the AHSC Grant, and that in connection with the AHSC Grant, the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the City to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to carry into effect the full intent and purpose of this Resolution, in order to evidence the AHSC Grant, the City's obligations related thereto, and HCD's security therefor, including, but not limited to, a disbursement agreement, a covenant and certain other documents required by HCD as security for, evidence of, or pertinent to the AHSC Grant, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the AHSC Document, and together with the AHSC Loan Documents, collectively, the AHSC Documents).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that the City Manager is authorized to negotiate and enter into an agreement that provides for joint and several liability and mutual indemnities between joint applicants as the City Manager deem necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager or her designee on behalf of the City of El Cerrito is authorized to accept the California Strategic Growth Council Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program funds, and appropriate said funds in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 to the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if awarded, the housing portions of said AHSC Loan and AHSC Grant funds shall be deposited in the State of California Fund (2159), Housing Development Organization (89929), Project (TBD), and transportation portions of said AHSC Loan and AHSC Grant funds shall be deposited in the State of California Fund (2159), Complete Streets Design Organization (35212), Project (TBD).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreements; that funds are to be used for allowable capital asset Project expenditures to be identified in Exhibit A or other relevant portions of the Standard Agreements; that any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the application are enforceable through the Standard Agreements; and that the City hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible capital assets in the manner presented in the application as approved by HCD and in accordance with the NOFA and applicable AHSC Program Guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby appoints the City Manager or her designee, as agent of the City, to conduct negotiations, execute and deliver all documents (including, without limitation, all AHSC Documents), accept AHSC Program Funds, and take any and all other action with respect to the AHSC Program and the AHSC Loan and AHSC Grant as required by HCD for participation in the AHSC Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to negotiate and execute agreements with BART pertaining to transportation-related improvements funds by the AHSC Loan or AHSC Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to take any other action with respect to the AHSC Loan, the AHSC Grant, or the Project consistent with this Resolution and its basis purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said agreements, documents, and instruments shall not increase the City's obligations beyond those described in the staff report regarding this resolution, considered by the City Council on March 21, 2023, and shall be reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for form and legality prior to their execution by the City, and copies will be placed on file with the City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on February 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Tessa Rudnick, Mayor



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 9.A.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Holly M. Charl  ty, City Clerk, City Management
Subject: Crime Prevention Committee Disbandment

ACTION PROPOSED

Adopt a resolution to disband the Crime Prevention Committee and rescind Resolution 2001-105 as directed by City Council, and provide staff direction if applicable.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

At the City Council meeting on March 21, 2023, Councilmember Motoyama and Fadelli were appointed to an Advisory Body ad-hoc committee to meet, discuss, and return with recommendations for modifications to existing policy and procedures. The ad-hoc committee met several times over the course of nine months and discussed a number of topics. One topic discussed was consideration of modification to the existing Crime Prevention Committee (CPC) to expand and include areas such as Fire Safety, Community Safety and Crime Prevention, and Emergency Response.

On September 19, 2023 the City Council held a study session and subsequently solicited feedback from current members of advisory bodies on proposed recommendations. The CPC currently has only five of fifteen possible members appointed. Comments were received by one of the five current members requesting that the scope of the committee not be modified.

On December 5, 2023, the City Council held a second study session to discuss the recommendations made by the ad-hoc committee with some modifications included based on member feedback received. Public comments were made at the meeting by two of the five active members in opposition to any modifications to the CPC and regarding the ineffectiveness of the current committee structure. At the conclusion of the study session discussion, the City Council passed a motion directing staff to return with legislation to disband the Crime Prevention Committee.

The CPC held a special meeting on January 29, 2024 to discuss the topic. The committee elected not to make any additional recommendations to the City Council regarding disbandment since two of the members had provided written statements and spoke at a City Council meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This action supports the [City's Strategic Plan Goal\(s\)](#) of:

- *High Performing Organization; and*

- *Community Safety.*

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

Reviewed by:

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Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION 2024-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO DISBANDING THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2001-105

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1975 the City Council adopted Resolution 3701 creating a committee on Crime prevention; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2001 the City Council repealed Resolution 3701, and adopted Resolution 2001-105 reforming a new Crime Prevention Committee; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2009 the City Council adopted Resolution 2009-35 modifying application requirements for the Crime Prevention Committee; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, Resolution 2009-35 was rescinded and in part restated in adoption of Resolution 2021-55 regarding application requirements of members; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2023 the City Council formed an Ad-Hoc Committee comprised of Mayor Motoyama and Councilmember Fadelli to discuss and review areas pertaining to Advisory Bodies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Ad-Hoc committee met several times between April and December 2023 and discussed several areas including the Crime Prevention Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a study session on September 19, 2023 and December 5, 2023 to discuss recommendations made by the Ad-Hoc committee; and

WHEREAS on December 5, 2023, the City council passed a motion directing staff to return with legislation to disband the Crime Prevention Committee.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Cerrito that Resolution 2001-105 is hereby rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Crime Prevention Committee is hereby disbanded effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the final members of the Crime Prevention Committee shall be recognized for their service at the next Advisory Body Recognition Dinner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

I CERTIFY that at a regular meeting on February 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of El Cerrito passed this Resolution by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:

IN WITNESS of this action, I sign this document and affix the corporate seal of the City of El Cerrito on_____.

Holly M. Charléty, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Tessa Rudnick, Mayor



AGENDA BILL

Agenda Item No. 9.B.

Date: February 20, 2024
To: El Cerrito City Council
From: Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Finance Department
Subject: FY 2023-24 General Fund Budget Quarterly Update through December 2023

ACTION PROPOSED

Receive and file an update on City General Fund revenues and expenses for FY 2023-24 through December 2023.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The El Cerrito City Council adopted an annual Budget for FY 2023-24 on June 20, 2023. The Council has closely monitored the City's budget and financial position and directed City staff to submit quarterly General Fund financial update reports.

The General Fund Update (Attachment 1) includes information on revenues and expenditures and lists the year-to-date totals by classification and by department. This report summarizes the major General Fund revenue and expenditure categories through December 31, 2023 on a cash basis and includes comparisons to the prior year's budget. Similar to the first quarter reports from prior fiscal years, revenue cycles for many revenue sources - including property taxes - occur in the second, third and fourth quarters of the fiscal year. Consequently, revenue receipts are not realized in equal quarterly amounts.

The following are FY 2023-24 highlights occurring for the report period of October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 and reflect preliminary unaudited cash basis information.

1. Total revenue was \$20.8 million, approximately 43% of the adopted FY 2023-24 budget. As a reminder, property taxes are the City's largest income category and are received in December and April each year. The majority of revenues are non-departmental, as they are general and not allocated to one department.
2. Real property transfer taxes are performing under projections reflected in the adopted FY 2023-24 budget, which is slightly less than the prior fiscal year as reflected in the adopted budget for this category. Staff is currently analyzing revenue streams and plans to bring back to the City Council a proposed reduction for the real property transfer tax revenues with the midyear budget adjustments.
3. Total expenditures were \$25.2 million, or 52% of the adopted budget, which is trending slightly higher for the quarter.

4. Personnel costs of \$18 million include all personnel related costs. Personnel is the largest component of General Fund expenditures (72%) and is trending at just over 50% of the adopted FY 2023-24 budget.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This report is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan Goal - High-Performing Organization, Ensure the City maintains a strong financial position – and will allow the City Manager to develop a plan to ensure that Citywide Revenue meets the cost of providing Citywide services, including adequate reserves in the face of significant unanticipated revenue shortfalls. It further ensures procedures that represent best practices in financial management.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

General Fund revenues and expenditures for FY 2023-24, both overall and by department, are tracking slightly lower for revenues and slightly higher for expenditures for the second quarter of the fiscal year. Staff will provide recommendations for adjustments to the budget at the midyear budget review in March.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

This section is not applicable to this agenda item.

Reviewed by:

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Karen Pinkos, City Manager

Attachments:

1. FY 2023-24 2nd Quarter General Fund Update



General Fund Budget Update

Quarter 2 FY 2023-24

10/01/23 – 12/31/23

INTRODUCTION

The City of El Cerrito is pleased to submit the Quarter 2 FY 2023-24 General Fund Budget Update, for the period 10/01/23 through 12/31/23. The report provides a high-level overview of the City's status on the budget, with expenditures by department, showing unaudited actuals.

GENERAL FUND REVENUES

FY 2023-24 General Fund revenue is budgeted at \$48.5 million. Table 1 shows the year-to-date revenues by classification, and Table 2 shows the year-to-date revenues by department. As of December 31, 2023, tax revenues are at 43% of budget. Taxes received during Quarter 2 include property tax, utility users' taxes, sales taxes, and real property transfer taxes (July through September). Overall General Fund Revenues for Quarter 2 are at 43% of the total FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget, which is slightly lower than the 48% received for Quarter 2 FY 2022-23.

Table 1 reflects real property transfer taxes for the months of July through October only, as November and December funds (totaling \$360,954 and \$224,868 respectively) were received in January and scheduled for February and will be reflected in the FY 2023-24 Quarter 3 Update. Adding the November and December real property transfer tax funds to the Quarter 2 revenue actuals results in year-to-date revenue of \$1,477,706 or 34% of the Adopted Budget. Property transfer taxes are performing under the projected amount in the FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget, and lower than the prior fiscal year which was at 56%. Staff will recommend an adjustment to this category at the next City Council meeting with other mid-year budget adjustments.

Table 1
General Fund Revenue – Classification
Quarter 2

Classification	Budget Amount	YTD – Q2 Actual Amount	% of Budget	Prior YTD – Q2 Actual Amount
Property Taxes	\$11,417,064	\$5,993,855	52	\$5,638,157
Sales Taxes	7,853,666	2,766,534	35	3,226,886
Transient Occupancy Taxes	150,000	25,353	17	35,253
Franchise Taxes	1,400,000	619,999	44	470,478
Business License Taxes	1,150,600	1,027,522	89	972,340
Property Transfer Taxes*	4,300,000	891,844	21	2,402,436
Utility Users' Taxes	3,520,000	1,374,064	39	1,534,388
Other Taxes	1,500	1,769	118	0
Taxes Totals	\$29,792,830	\$12,700,940	43%	\$14,279,938
Licenses & Permits	1,054,618	701,895	67	522,468
Fines & Forfeitures	120,000	98,232	82	62,496
Use of Money and Property	646,573	344,411	53	186,969
Intergovernmental Revenues	8,393,092	1,800,337	21	3,826,108
Charges for Services Totals	6,674,468	4,503,760	67	2,967,342
Other Revenue Totals	870,000	233,291	27	168,292
Other Financing Sources Totals	977,182	488,591	50	487,891
Totals	\$48,528,763	\$20,871,457	43%	\$22,501,504

*YTD actuals through October

Table 2
General Fund Revenues – Department
Quarter 2

Revenue	Budget Amount	YTD -Q2 Actual Amount	% of Budget	Prior YTD – Q2 Actual Amount
Non-departmental	\$35,136,304	\$13,483,306	38	\$16,505,147
Administration	140,100	5,988	4	6,542
Police	189,000	116,506	62	99,050
Fire	5,213,592	1,820,520	35	2,230,933
Public Works	523,700	432,146	83	173,052
Community Development	2,482,638	1,790,697	72	1,180,596
Recreation	4,843,429	3,222,294	67	2,306,184
Totals	\$48,528,763	20,871,457	43	\$22,501,504

GENERAL FUND - EXPENDITURES

General Fund expenditures are budgeted at \$48.6 million for FY 2023-24. Tables 3 and 4 show the expenditures year-to-date by classification and by department, respectively. Departments are tracking slightly higher at 52% of the total year-to-date amount for quarter 2. This is an increase over the Quarter 2 FY 2022-23 expenditures at 50%.

As in previous fiscal years, Personnel is the largest component of General Fund expenditures (72%). Departments have continued to fill vacant positions and we are now trending at 51% of budgeted expenditures. This is slightly higher than Quarter 2 FY 2022-23 at 46%.

Table 3
General Fund Expenditures – Classification
Quarter 2

Classification	Budget Amount	YTD - Q2 Actual Amount	% of Budget	Prior YTD – Q2 Actual Amount
Personnel	\$35,057,398	\$18,003,966	51	\$15,609,243
Purchased Professional & Technical Services	5,294,497	2,652,663	50	1,661,141
Purchased Property Services	2,489,325	948,360	38	750,984
Other Purchased Services	3,124,201	2,553,970	82	1,968,423
Supplies	861,692	328,438	38	255,985
Property & Capital	637,428	186,128	29	218,711
Financing Costs	570,386	300,190	53	196,059
Other Financing Uses	582,763	291,382	50	333,881
Totals	\$48,617,690	\$25,265,097	52	\$20,994,427

In Table 3, the actual expenditures reflected for the “Other Purchased Services” classification includes the one-time full fiscal year’s annual insurance premiums which are paid each year in July. Also, in Table 4 expenditures reflected for the Administration Department include the one-time full fiscal year’s annual payments.

Table 4
General Fund Expenditures – Department
Quarter 2

Expenditures	Budget Among	YTD – Q2 Actual Amount	% of Budget	Prior YTD – Q2 Actual Amount
Administration	\$7,123,209	\$4,623,611	65	\$3,616,064
Police	13,523,728	6,751,421	50	5,917,294
Fire	14,507,355	7,028,537	48	6,185,800
Public Works	2,483,303	1,235,471	50	985,796
Community Development	3,983,870	2,097,631	53	1,380,513
Recreation	6,005,416	3,083,154	51	2,541,601
Non-departmental	990,809	445,272	45	367,359
Total	\$48,617,690	\$25,265,097	52	\$20,944,427

CONCLUSION

As this report shows, through the second quarter of the fiscal year expenses are slightly higher than the budgeted amounts, and revenue amounts are trending slightly lower than budgeted. As a result, staff is determining adjustments to be presented to the City Council for the next budget review. Revenues are not received in equal quarterly releases, and staff is currently evaluating Transient Occupancy Tax, Utility User Tax, and Franchise Fees in addition to the Real Property Transfer Tax, as they are all trending slightly lower as well. If any adjustments are deemed necessary in these categories, they will be included with the mid-year adjustments. Expenditures are trending slightly higher for Quarter 2, and Finance staff is working with departments to evaluate variances on a monthly basis for the remainder of the year. In summary, staff will prepare proposed budget adjustments to both revenues and expenditures that reflect the results of the current trends in the General Fund to be provided to the City Council at the mid-year budget session in March.



SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA MATERIALS
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS
February 20, 2024
(revised February 26, 2024)

Special City Council Meeting

1. Public Comments

Regular City Council Meeting

1. Public Comments (Not on the Agenda and Consent Calendar)
2. Agenda Item 9.B. - FY 2023-24 General Fund Budget Quarterly Update through December 2023
 - a. Public Comments

From: Cordell Hindler
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 2:31 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public Comments

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Hello Mayor Rudnick, Council Members and Staff,

I think that Sky Woodruff Has done a Great Job as the City Attorney

Sincerely
Cordell

El Cerrito Historical Society

Accomplishments in 2023, Goals for 2024

What's in store for 24?

Plenty. We have a solid slate of officers and some promising volunteers besides. New to the board this year are Ed Crowley and Meredith McGuire. Brennen Norman, a recent graduate of the University of Washington, and a less recent graduate of El Cerrito High, is volunteering his time to help us improve our website and outreach.



Filmmaker Michael Freeman sets the shot as tour guide Tom Panas waits and Ken Duffy handles sound. Photo by Dave Weinstein

Expect to see our **first ever real movie**, a tour of Sunset View Cemetery that covers much of El Cerrito's history. Board member Tom Panas is the tour guide, Michael Freeman the filmmaker.

Plan to read a **full complement of four quarterly Forge newsletters**. The first has already appeared. And we promise progress on efforts to publish the late Chris Treadway's book "**El Cerrito Confidential**," the true story of sin in our city by the Bay.

For **programs and exhibits** we are working on topics including: another gambling and nightlife tour; also a talk by his family about an El Cerrito developer who became nationally known for innovations, Earl "Flat Top" Smith. Board member Pat Durham will help coordinate a

program devoted to our city's Black community. A visit to an architecturally distinctive mid-century modern home. A program on El Cerrito's musical heritage. And a panel discussion on the rise and fall of local journalism, keyed to that current news desert, El Cerrito.

Our initial program for the year, at our annual meeting, featured longtime El Cerrito businessman and community leader Jack Freethy talking about his father, Elmer Freethy, "El Cerrito's Master Builder."

We are working as well on events to attract younger people and families.

Winners and other photos from our **Historic Photo Contest** are on display at the City Hall Gallery through March 21, with a reception March 8 from 5 to 6:30

A history room in the new El Cerrito Library. The society will cooperate with backers of a new library to make sure we get this important addition to our community and to ensure that improved access to the society's historical resources is part of the plan.

Preserving and promoting historical places. The society continues to keep an eye on historic places in the city to ensure their continued existence. We hope to provide historical displays as the city makes the historic Rodini house available for public use. It is a Victorian cottage at 1715 Elm Street that has been restored as part of an adjoining condo complex.

Accomplishments in 2023:

2023 was a productive, rather transitional, year for the society. We debuted our first, and very successful, historical photo contest; and vastly improved our website, thanks to board member John Falconer. We also improved our social media outreach.

We produced some great publications, but not enough of them. Ditto for programs. We received some valuable donations but have fallen behind on completely cataloging them.

First-ever Historic Photo Contest. The high point for the society in 2023 was this contest, which attracted 70 entries, as people and institutions – including the El Cerrito Police Department – submitted historic photos either shot by others many years ago, or by themselves. All photos were at least 50 years old.

The grand winner, Virginia Burns, is the great-granddaughter of Dr. Joseph Breneman, who was probably the city's first doctor, and great-niece of Faye Breneman, founder of the El Cerrito Library.

The reception at Juku, a co-working and events space, was a delightful social occasion where people mingled and winners accepted their prizes. The display is at City Hall Gallery through March 21, 2024.

Publications: Jon Bashor, the society's vice president and a professional journalist, became lead editor of our print journal, *The Forge*, in 2023. In 2023 we published two editions of the magazine, short of our goal of four.

We continued to explore the history of our area's Black community, with one heartfelt memoir by Mina Wilson and one profile of a woman who helped integrate El Cerrito High.

Other articles dealt with the surprisingly historic role El Cerrito barbers played in the profession, and a look at El Cerrito High's unusual school museum.

We published our online publication, *Sparks*, monthly, thanks to volunteer Ed Crowley. One article there, that told the sad fate of El Cerrito's only Doggie Diner, will soon appear in the Chamber of Commerce's *Byline* newsletter.

Tom Lochner and Craig Lazzeretti completed the principal editing of "El Cerrito Confidential," a thorough history of gambling, nightlife and more in El Cerrito, that was written by our late vice president, Chris Treadway, as we move towards publication.

Our website continues to grow with the addition of new historical material. Thanks to Helen Ettlinger and board member John Falconer, you can delight your ears by [listening to recordings of two musicals](#) as performed at El Cerrito High in 1963 and 1964, Wonderful Town and The Boy Friend.

Programs: Our programs were once a major strength, eight or nine a year in recent years, attracting large audiences. We are rebuilding in this area, post-pandemic.

In 2023 we put on six public programs, three of them out of doors: a tour of Sunset View Cemetery; a tour of Point Isabel; a tour of gambling and nightlife sites of the city's bad old days. Plus, we toured Golden Gate (formerly Sunset) Mausoleum.

We also presented a lively reception and awards ceremony for our historic photo contest.

Our one sit-down event proved the most popular, thanks to the topic, the speaker (historian Chris Sterba), and its accessibility on our website through social media. "When El Cerrito Went 'Insane,' The Ouija-Mania Incident of 1920," which we presented live and via Zoom, has attracted more than 37,000 views online.

In addition to our public programs, the society took part in the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade and celebration, which featured a video history of the city's pioneering Martin Luther King parade prepared by board member Pat Durham.

The society co-sponsored a historic hike during the Hillside Festival, presented talks on architecture to senior groups in Albany and El Cerrito, and led a 4H club tour of the Japanese-American floral industry display at Hana Gardens and the former Contra Costa Floral shop.

Archiving and Research: Although busy lives and family matters have prevented our archivists from focusing on our archives in recent months, much progress was made earlier in 2023 and we continue to help people learn about El Cerrito history.

During the year the society provided research assistance, historical information and access to our archives to many people, ranging from scholars to residents interested in the histories of their homes, to a crime novelist who is setting his newest book in film noir-era El Cerrito. Much of this was handled by board member Tom Panas, with Barbara Hill contributing as well.

We also supplied information for an exhibit, Tiki Dreams, at the Napa Valley Museum and put the curator in touch with a collector who supplied El Cerrito-made Tepco ware for the show. Mary Barnsdale, who is writing a book on the history of Point Isabel, made use of our archive.

Chiou-Ling Yeh, an associate professor of history at San Diego State, made use of our rich collection from the Chung Mei Chinese orphanage for a book she is writing.

Attracted by Chris Sterba's Ouija presentation, historian Brandon Hodge and an associate, who are "working on a comprehensive history of ouija boards and other spirit communication devices," made use of our resources.

New acquisitions: Marvin Collin donated a trove of photos and other materials related to his father, Marvin Collins Sr., an important builder in the city. Hossain Bayat and Joann Steck-Bayat donated a scrapbook and other materials about "the early history of the Baha'i faith in El Cerrito, their members and activities."

Jim Almeida, an alumnus, donated a great collection of material from St. Jerome School. Rich Bartke donated material on the city and its surrounds, including photos of the rifle range in Wildcat Canyon. Sharon Bonini donated materials from her father, firefighter Don Bonini.

Eve Ma, a documentary filmmaker, donated a video interview she did with Pete Bolla, longtime owner of Giovanni's Produce & Grocery.

Harding Elementary School donated valuable PTA scrapbooks from the 1930s and '40s that had been squirreled away in an odd corner of the school.

Other donations included high school yearbooks, historic El Cerrito post cards, an equestrian magazine advertising the Arlington Riding Academy, and a photo of a gravesite at Sunset View from Dan Ringer-Barwick. "One of the monuments up there that I find most moving these days is the one to Helen Crandall," he wrote, "who, as the plaque says, was 'a volunteer nurse who died in Berkeley, Calif., at her post during the influenza epidemic of 1918.' It has a lot of resonance during the 2020s."

Leadership: Our longtime treasurer Pat Shaw left the board in January 2023, due to her health. She passed away near the end of the year and will be remembered at our annual 2024 meeting.

Jon Bashor, a fellow student with president Dave Weinstein at UC Berkeley's Graduate School of Journalism in the early 1980s, joined our board at the January 2023 annual meeting. Two board members, John Falconer and Dianne Brenner left the board as their annual terms ended in February 2024.

Website. Webmaster John Falconer continued to improve the functionality and organization of our website throughout the year, and as the end of the year approached and his term on the board neared its end, he produced a detailed document outlining all that needs to be done, and how it can be done, to improve and maintain the website, to make the job of his successor easier.

Throughout the year, volunteer Nick Brooks worked with John and others on the website, social media, an Instagram account, and more.

Throughout the year, members and others provided needed support, including Rachel Melby, who helped publicize and subsidized publicity for our historic photo contest. We thank Ed Crowley for so much help on Sparks and other communications, filmmaker Mike Freeman for his work and donations towards our Sunset View movie, Marvin Collins for support of The Forge, and John Stashik for his continued longtime support through the Chamber of Commerce's Byline, and in other ways.

The society thanks all of its members, life members and donors.

From: [Npa](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 2:00:18 PM

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my concern about the recent city council meeting, specifically regarding apparent violations of the Brown Act and issues related to public comment time. Limiting public comments to just one hour hindered the democratic process, denying many residents the opportunity to voice their concerns. Furthermore, there appeared to be a bias favoring one group over another, which goes against the principles of fairness and impartiality. I strongly urge the City Council to address these issues promptly, ensuring adherence to the Brown Act to allow all community members the opportunity for public comment in future meetings. It is essential for our democratic process to uphold transparency and fairness, allowing all community members to participate without limitations or biases.

Once again, we call on our City Council to stand up for the innocent civilians of Gaza who are facing starvation and death in the face of aggression from the Israeli government supported by U.S. military aid. We are asking that you support a ceasefire resolution and be on the side of compassion and humanity, and be aligned with most El Cerrito residents.

In the last three months, we have watched with heavy hearts as over 25,000 innocent people in Gaza have been killed by Israel's indiscriminate bombing, more than half of them are women and children. You heard some names of children between the ages of newborn and 5 years old at the meeting. 60,000 people have been wounded and thousands more are still buried under the rubble. Over 80% of Gaza's population is displaced and almost all of them are starving and dehydrated because Israel will not allow basic humanitarian aid to enter such as food, water, fuel, medical supplies, and even women's products.

We condemn the attack on civilians by Hamas on October 7th and reject the murder or kidnapping of any innocent civilians. All lives are sacred. However, this cannot justify the collective punishment of an entire population of over 2 million people, that is a war crime.

Israel has recently been taken to the International Court of Justice for its active genocide against the Palestinian people. South Africa presented a powerful and well-argued case - while Israel gave a weak rebuttal about self-defense and provided no evidence against the claims. It is very likely that Israel will be found guilty for genocide in the ICJ. As a party to the Genocide Convention, the United States is required to "undertake to prevent and punish" the crime of genocide.

We have a responsibility as humans to speak up against injustice. And as Americans, we are especially responsible for taking action because our tax dollars are being sent by the billions in military aid to Israel.. Meanwhile, our local communities are not able to sustain our roads and infrastructure, fund our education system, or fight homelessness and hunger. Our local governments must put pressure on the federal government to call for an immediate and permanent ceasefire. Our City Council represents the people of their city, and should be aligned with the majority on this issue.

Senator Bernie Sanders recently put forward a resolution that proposed to impose conditions on billions of dollars that the US sends Israel. As a hardworking taxpayer, I absolutely support putting contingencies against committing human rights violations so that my tax dollars do not fund a genocide.

To put it simply, the people of Gaza deserve to live and we must stand up for humanity.

Please act now by putting forward a ceasefire resolution for discussion on your City Council agenda. Thank you very much for your time.

From: [Aminna Ibrahim](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 4:18:48 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

I recently learned that [INSERT SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO YOU THAT COMPELS YOU TO WRITE THIS MESSAGE].

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Seth Morrison](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 5:11:02 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

I recently learned that [INSERT SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO YOU THAT COMPELS YOU TO WRITE THIS MESSAGE].

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Seth Morrison

From: Cordell Hindler
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 2:39 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public Comments

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Hello Mayor Rudnick, Council Members and Staff

I AM Submitting the following Comments into the Record:

1. for the March 5th Agenda, The Council Should Invite DR Alvarez to Present on the 30x30 Plan
2. Also to Direct Staff to Release the Class and Comp Study

Sincerely
Cordell

From: Walla Oriqat
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 5:12 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our community members and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

In over 120 days of terror, Israel has killed more than 30,000 people, the majority of them women and children. 60,000 people have been wounded and thousands are still missing, likely trapped under the rubble. 17,000 orphans have been created as a result of the indiscriminate bombardment by Israel. We cannot ignore the facts.

Israel had designated Rafah a “safe zone”, but now, it is committing another massacre, leaving more than 1.5 million displaced people trapped there, terrified and starving, with nowhere left to go. Enough is enough.

If El Cerrito Truly Stands United Against Hate - listen to your constituents - We demand a resolution calling for urgent and permanent ceasefire now!

Best,

Walla Oriqat

From: Sherry Drobner
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 9:31 PM
To: Tessa Rudnick; Lisa Motoyama; Paul Fadelli; Carolyn Wysinger; Gabe Quinto; Holly Charl ty
Subject: Public Comment Not on the Agenda

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,
Please read from the Fresno Bee- February 15th, 2024

"Madera became the first city in the San Joaquin Valley to officially call for a cease fire in Gaza on Wednesday in a decision that local advocates hope will set a precedent in the region, specifically in Fresno. During a special meeting, the Madera City Council voted unanimously to pass a resolution that calls "on our Congress Members to demand: an immediate permanent ceasefire; release of all hostages due to this conflict" and "the unrestricted entry of humanitarian assistance into Gaza," among other demands. Madera Mayor Santos Garcia said before the unanimous vote that the decision to consider the resolution was not easy, but he spoke firmly in support of it. "

I'm proud for this community of 67,000 residents. They have a City Council that can understand and acknowledge a genocide when they see one and has the courage to use their voice as elected officials. The vote was passed by all Council members.

This is not the time to be silent or neutral. There are no two sides when it comes to genocide. Pass a Ceasefire Resolution now.

Thank you,
Sherry Drobner
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I live and work on unceded Lisjan Ohlone land in the territory of Huchiun . As a non-Native person I pay Shuumi, a voluntary land tax that supports Lisjan Ohlone sovereignty . Learn more [here](#).

From: Paola Alessandra Sensi-Isolani
Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 9:12 AM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

WHY is Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza?

I recently learned that there may be a conflict of interest that is preventing our mayor from bringing up a resolution to the full council. Our mayor's first loyalty should be to her constituents and not to other groups that represent the interests of another nation! The entire world is turning against what Israel is doing and we should not be supporting indiscriminate bombing of hospitals, schools, mosques, churches and even refugee camps!! Almost 30,000 people have been killed, most of them mothers and children! I have lived through a war and even then the rules of war said no targeting civilians!

If we really mean Stand United Against Hate then we should stand for a Ceasefire now!

From: Dorothy Herzberg
Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 11:05 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: public comment on issue not on agenda

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Hi
Israel did NOT start the war. They believe the fastest way to end it is to dismantle Hamas by finding the leaders and destroying the tunnels. They do NOT want o kiol civilians. Hamas fighters dress as civilians however. No one wants a ceasefire and end to the hostilities more than Israel.
I believe it is important to help Israel end the war as quickly as possible.

Dorothy Herzberg
resident El Cerrito

From: Laurie Welstand

Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 12:43 PM

To: City Clerk <cityclerk@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us>

Subject: public comments – not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Hello Council members,

As a resident of El Cerrito, and as a Jew, I strongly feel that putting a motion to support a ceasefire on your agenda is the wrong way to support a resolution to this conflict.

I do support a ceasefire. I supported the ceasefire that was in place on October 7th, when Hamas attacked Israel and instigated this current round of fighting. But more importantly, we are opposed to putting such a motion on the agenda because it creates a forum where Israel haters and antisemites can express their vile, hate filled opinions. We have already seen this in Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco and we don't want it in El Cerrito.

We cannot have a ceasefire without also including language that demands the release of ALL remaining hostages.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Laurie Welstand

From: Allen Mayer [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2024 4:10 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public comments - not on the agenda - opposition to putting a motion for a Gaza ceasefire on the City Council agenda

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I respectfully request that you do not put a motion for a Gaza ceasefire on the El Cerrito City Council agenda. The war between Israel and Hamas is not a local issue. A resolution of this kind will not bring peace closer halfway around the world, but it will do the opposite in our local community - it will add fuel to the existing divisiveness and hard feelings within our community. The role of the City Council should be to do everything it can to *work against* conflict and hatred between people *in our local community*.

I live right across the border in Kensington. I frequently patronize shops and restaurants in El Cerrito. I thank you for your consideration.

Allen Mayer
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

From: Zeid Arnaout
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2024 10:06 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

You are failing to represent the people who voted you into your positions. Over 70% of Americans support a ceasefire, instead we are clearly see you support JCRC campaign of blocking city councils for introducing any resolutions on this topic be set forth and not engaging with your voters (majority of which support a ceasefire).

We the people you represent call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Kathleen Bolton-Schmukler
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 4:54 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I'm an El Cerrito resident that has lived here since 1989. I saw the Loma Prieta quake rip through the parking lot at San Pablo and Moeser. I'm too broke to own property here, but you better believe my hard earned rent is paying my landlord's property taxes.

As someone who had Jewish relatives die in the Shoah, I strongly urge you to be on the right side of history and openly support a cease fire in Palestine. Israel as a government plays helpless victim, yet strips ALL of our pocketbooks and uses our money to collectively punish civilians who are ALSO indigenous to that same block of land. You **can** pass a resolution condemning Hamas's attack AND Israel's war crimes, collective punishment, and genocide in progress, including the killings of doctors, journalists, aid workers, and children. There nothing anti-Jewish or anti-Semitic in condemning the horrific violence that our tax dollars currently fund.

Don't drink the fundamentalist Zionist Kool Aid lies.

Never Again should be Never Again for EVERYBODY, full stop.

I recently learned that now, my tax dollars are being funded for Israel's air strikes on Rafah, which is now the most densely populated area in the world. These refugees have no place to go, and are starving to death because our tax dollars fund the Israeli government's bombs and blockade of aid convoys.

Frankly, I'd rather spend my tax dollars to house more of my neighbors who are a paycheck away from being homeless, but heeeey, priorities, am i right??

As for all the Zionist Jews that keep saying they don't feel safe in El Cerrito? My question to them is: how many dead Palestinians will it take for them to feel safe again? Oh wait: I guess their lives don't matter. Last time I checked, Palestinians pay your salaries in this town too. I had the pleasure of meeting some at the council meeting where I wasn't allowed to speak at all due to "time constraints."

Pardon the snark, but my landlord just jacked up my rent again.

I'll be taking notes on what actions, or lack thereof, you decide on the next few weeks.

I vote in ALL the elections, by the way.

Sincerely,
Kate, a fed up resident

From: Seth Morrison
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 5:42 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

We are NOT going away!. Over 63% of Americans and 80% of Democrats demand a ceasevfire and your refusal to even discuss a resolution is unconsonable.

From: Judith Green
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 5:56 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

I am a Jewish anti-Zionist resident of El Cerrito & have written before & attended meetings. Every American is being made complicit in genocide when billions of our taxpayer dollars are still funding Israel's killings, along with our gun manufacturers whose weapons are daily used to kill innocents at home. Please join with the majority of Americans who support a ceasefire. Thank you.

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!
Judith Green

Sent from my iPhone

From: Alissa Hauser (ASH)
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 6:58 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Along with the majority of Americans ,I support a ceasefire in Gaza. I have friends and professional colleagues living and working in the occupied West Bank and a colleague with family in Gaza. The abuse they have suffered at the hands of the IDF are extreme violations of human rights.

I also have many friends and colleagues living in Israel, some of whom have been directly impacted by the hamas terrorist attack on Oct 7.

The collective punishment and indiscriminate killing of Palestinians is abhorrent. As an American Jew I cannot sit by and allow my tax dollars to be used to fund what many consider to be a genocide.

It is time for upstanding communities like ours to assert that this will not happen in our names. We need to speak up.

Please entertain a ceasefire resolution and be on the right side of history.

Thank you for listening to the residents of el Cerrito.

Yours truly
Alissa hauser

Sent from my iPhone

From: Miguel Gravelle Izaguirre
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 8:37 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Attachments: udhr.pdf

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

I recently learned that over 28,000 Palestinians have been murdered, over 12,500 of them children. Over 68,000 Palestinians have been injured. 100 schools and universities have been demolished. 94 hospitals and health centers have ceased to exist.

All my empathy as a human is crying for humanity to be shown to the Palestinian people. Please do the right thing and pass a resolution for an immediate and permanent ceasefire. To not do so is an act of Anti-Palestinian bigotry that serves to promote the dehumanization of the Palestinian People for the eradication of Palestinian life.

I believe each one of you has the love inside to inspire you to stand with us, the majority of El Cerritans. Together, we stand on the side of equal right to life for all humans, as well as equality of access to the full spectrum of human rights put forth by the UN in their Universal Declaration of Human Rights for all humans (Please see attached PDF, taken directly from the UN website).

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Sincerest regards,
Miguel Gravelle

From: D Dorenz
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 9:23 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: corrected letter

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear El Cerrito City Council Members,

I urge you not to consider a ceasefire resolution at your city council meeting tomorrow or in the future. The resolution denies the right of israel to protect its citizens from a terrorist enemy that is located right on its border. Every state has a right to defend its citizens against an invasion like the one that Hamas carried out on Oct 7th when it tortured, rapped, burned babies and other alive, raped and mutilated women and murdered over 1200 Israeli citizens and took 240 hostages. All of these actions are war crimes. Those who call for a ceasefire say that all of these war crimes are justified in the cause of “liberation”. A ceasefire will create more divisiveness in our Community as many American Jewish Citizens support Israel which is an important part of our Jewish identity.

Thanks for doing your jobs as members of the City Council and focusing on the issues that truly concern the City of el Cerrito.

Sincerely,
Dorothea Dorenz

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From: Anne Okahara
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 11:10 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Cc: albelc4ceasefire@gmail.com
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

It is despicable that our nation is contributing to an egregious wrong -- the genocide of the Palestinian people. There are no two sides to genocide. Communities across the US and across the globe are speaking out in solidarity to demand an end to the genocide. It's past time for us, the city of El Cerrito, to raise our voices as well.

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza. It's shameful that the Council has not been listening to and heeding the demands of the community you're supposed to represent.

We need a Ceasefire Resolution that demands

- an immediate and permanent ceasefire
- an end to the occupation with right to return for Palestinians
- no more US dollars supporting the Israeli military
- no more Israeli blockage of humanitarian aid

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Anne Okahara
38 year resident of El Cerrito

From: Yuko Matsumoto
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 7:02 AM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Cc: Yuko Matsumoto
Subject: Ceasefire Resolution -- Please add to the agenda

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Dear Mayor Rudnick and City Council Members,

My name is Yuko. As an 11 year resident of El Cerrito, I ask you, our electeds, to do the right thing and call for an immediate and permanent ceasefire in Gaza. My congressional representative Garamendi has already done this. So have the cities of Richmond, Oakland, San Francisco, and many others local entities, who have demonstrated brave leadership. Twenty-nine thousand Palestinians are dead. Their precious lives would have been saved had the U.S. called for a ceasefire 4 months ago. Each day that passes is an opportunity lost to save hundreds of lives. Those who aren't bombed to death or shot dead by snipers are being starved to death or killed by illness or their injuries. I would like to remind you that 500 Palestinians were killed in the West Bank in 2023, although Hamas doesn't exist there. Our electeds' inaction at all levels has emboldened Israel. A military solution to Netanyahu and Israel's stated objective of eradicating Hamas is literally impossible.

Last month, the International Court of Justice in the Hague found that South Africa made a plausible case that Israel is committing a genocide against the Palestinian people of Gaza. Days later, a U.S. Federal Court in Oakland similarly concluded that Israel's assault on Gaza is a plausible case of genocide, although the case was dismissed on jurisdictional grounds. Israel has proceeded to commit previously unthinkable scales of war crimes, including torture, bombing and shooting of babies, children, journalists, doctors and other medical staff, laying siege to hospitals and refugee camps -- under the guise of unsubstantiated claims such as Hamas tunnels existing under said buildings. We have become numb with each threshold that is crossed. Have we lost our minds and humanity????

To be clear, this has been 4 months and 75+ years of Israeli occupation of Palestine and more than 16 years of siege on Gaza. There were no real "safe zones" from the start. But with Israel threatening imminent ground invasion of Rafah, the time is now or never. Rafah is the RED LINE that must not be crossed. We must bring this genocide of Palestinians to an immediate end.

To those who try to silence Palestinian and allied voices: stop conflating Judaism with Zionism and the criticism of Zionism with antisemitism. Listen to the many anti-Zionist Jewish members of the Bay Area and progressive organizations like Jewish Voice for Peace. This ongoing genocide doesn't make anyone of any ethnic or religious group safe! I don't want my dear Palestinian friend to lose any more family members. I don't want any more Palestinians in the U.S. to be stabbed or shot for simply existing or be doxxed for speaking out. I don't want my Muslim and other Middle Eastern neighbors to feel unsafe. I likewise don't want my Jewish friends and community members to feel unsafe. And to be clear, if the truth makes a Zionist person uncomfortable, that's not the same as actually being unsafe or being threatened. And your comfort shouldn't be centered. Just like discussions of white supremacy in general in this country generates discomfort for white people but is necessary.

From the time I was little, I grew up learning about the Holocaust from books like the YA historical fiction Letters from Rifka, my visit to the LA Holocaust Museum, and film/TV. I was so deeply moved by the survivors and horrified by the epitome of evil. I often asked myself as a child how the rest of the world could let such evil continue under their watch. Similarly, I couldn't understand the depravity of the enslavement of Black people or the murder of indigenous people

(although in my simple child mind, I didn't yet realize the unfathomable scale and depths of these horrors). I also grew up with deep shame for the massacres and colonization that my own Japanese people committed on countless Asian neighbors. I also felt deeply angry and sad for the evils of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings as well as the incarceration of Japanese Americans here. The evil harm inflicted on groups of people and the extremes of human suffering are not limited to the past and certainly not limited to a single group. The Israeli government is committing genocide, as we speak, on the Palestinian people of Gaza. And we must not allow ourselves to be bystanders. Never again is NOW.

My tax money should be funding better healthcare, education, and housing for our communities right here in the Bay Area and the U.S. -- not bombing innocent people. This genocide must end immediately. Israeli apartheid must end. Palestinians must be able to exercise their self determination. And Israel must be brought to justice. The issue is not religious differences. The problem is with Zionism, a self-proclaimed colonizing project. Release all hostages they say, but I remind you, not only should the Israeli civilian hostages be released by Hamas, so should the *hundreds* of Palestinian hostages, including children, who have been arbitrarily arrested and held without trial in "administrative detention."

I look forward to hearing from you at the city council meeting. Thank you for taking your time to read my message and plea.

Yuko

From: Allison Cooper
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 9:02 AM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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To the El Cerrito City Council:

I've been watching the incomprehensible violence against Palestinians on social media for months now (with overwhelming gratitude to the incredible journalists sharing what's going on there) and am so ashamed to live in a city that calls itself progressive but can't make a statement calling for this violence to end.

Please Stand United Against Hate - residents want to see our city call for a Ceasefire now!

Allison
El Cerrito resident

From: Donna Sidel
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 9:56 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public Comments Related to Csll for Ceasefire in Gaza

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To the City Council

The City Council has business to do related to the operations and funding of City-related functions. It does NOT have any effect on the policies of another country and has no standing to make a formal statement for an action of another country. Continuing to entertain this misguided motion simply creates a situation where the Jewish residents of El Cerrito will feel uncomfortable coming to Council meetings as long as this is on the agenda lest they be called out by the extremely vocal opposition.

I support a ceasefire. What is happening in Gaza is terrible. But, it is not an issue related to the City of El Cerrito's business nor does it have any effect on whether a ceasefire begins. The leadership of other countries is not swayed by such motions and it is counterproductive to peace in your community. As a Jewish resident, I am frightened to come to your meetings at this time for fear I will be harassed by others.

Please put a clear end to the consideration of this motion.

Donna Sidel

From: Michelle Ayazi
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 9:57 AM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

Specifically, El Cerrito Mayor Rudnick, Council Members Quinto and Wysinger have not shown the public any interest in engaging with their residents. How incredibly sad and undemocratic.

If you really “Stand United Against Hate” you’d listen to your community and do something about it. The people who don’t want a ceasefire resolution, or silent or are “neutral” are either uninformed, misinformed or feel threatened they will lose some sort of unjust privilege they hold (i.e. you self interested and short sighted).

Be on the right side of history,
Michelle Ayazi

Sent from my iPhone

From: Pat Trumbull
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 10:02 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public comment – not on agenda– to oppose putting an Israel cease fire on agenda

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I urged the city council to not approve motion to demand a cease fire from Israel without requiring Hamas to free the hostages it is holding. Do not forget that Hamas broke the existing cease fire on October 7 when it invaded Israel and murdered 1200 Israeli citizens.

I support a cease-fire that requires Hamas to return all hostages to Israel, and requires that it be honored by both sides without exception.

Patricia Trumbull
Sent from m

From: Alex Aleskovski [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 10:32 AM
To: City Clerk
Cc: Alex Aleskovski
Subject: Public comments – not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council

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Dear El Cerrito City Council members!

As a longtime El Cerrito resident, I would like to register my opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda.

Unfortunately I cannot participate in today's meeting in person, so here is my reasoning:

1. It is not El Cerrito City Council's place to try to solve complex international problems, as it's primary charter is to deal with local issues, and our city has plenty of those!
2. On October 7 Israel suffered an invasion of proportion that it had not seen for 50 years, which resulted in catastrophic loss of life of Israeli civilians - women, children, elderly and youth, torture, rape and abduction of more than 200 hostages. The invasion came from Gaza Strip, that is not occupied or administered by Israel since 2005. Any country in the world has the right to defend itself against such atrocities, and any country will! Trying to stop Israel's operation in Gaza now, before achieving it's stated goal of eradicating terrorist HAMAS regime and bringing hostages home, will ensure that tragedies like the one on October 7 will happen time and again, and ultimately threaten Israel's very existence.
3. Debating, not to mention adopting such motion, will create deep division among El Cerrito residents. Our small but very beautiful city has enough problems that require all of us to come together to find solutions, and steering strong emotions and divisions will make working together on these problems more difficult.

Respectfully,

Alex Aleskovski
[REDACTED]
El Cerrito CA 94530

From: Robin Mitchell [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 10:35 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Feb 20 Council meeting - Comment for item not on the agenda

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Dear Mayor and City Council persons

I wanted to express my thanks to the city, and particularly Stephen Pree, for contracting with A+ tree care services for our street tree maintenance.

They are extremely professional and also very personable.

A few weeks ago they removed a problem tree from the parking strip in front of our house, taking care not to trample the ground cover underneath it.

And today they returned to grind the stump to make sure it didn't regrow.

I said hi to them when they started and thanked them when they were finished and they were very appreciative to have the acknowledgement!

I know that Stephen thinks very highly of their work, and I wanted to say that I do also !!

I hope the city can continue to work with them in the coming years.

Thank you

Robin

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Robin Mitchell
El Cerrito resident

Email: [REDACTED]

From: William Guynn
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 8:42 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Public comments--not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda

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This is an urgent: please do not put a ceasefire motion on the agenda. It is clear that this will only open up a forum for antisemitic and Israel haters and stoke hate in the El Cerrito community. This is what has happened elsewhere in the Bay Area and must not happen here.

Stefanie and William Guynn

From: Jeff Levi
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 8:53 AM
To: City Clerk
Cc: Ruth PT
Subject: Public Comments - not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda

Dear El Cerrito City Council, I would like to thank you for continuing to prioritize the safety and common good of the people of El Cerrito and for NOT allowing calls to put a ceasefire motion on the
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sophospsmartbannerend

Dear El Cerrito City Council,

I would like to thank you for continuing to prioritize the safety and common good of the people of El Cerrito and for NOT allowing calls to put a ceasefire motion on the agenda. That motion will only divide us and be hurtful to our community.

The attempt for a ceasefire motion on the agenda is an effort to bring aggression, antisemitism, and blame into our community at a time when hate and divisiveness are increasingly on the rise, and when many of us feel more and more unsafe in our own community. It also distracts from the real mission of the El Cerrito City Council: To serve the community by providing exceptional services that create a safe and resilient future FOR ALL. If the City Council sides with those who promote hate and antisemitism, there will be those of us who will feel less safe in our community.

Please do not allow demonizing language and actions in El Cerrito and treat Jews with the same kind of protection that you would give to any other group.

Thank you.

Jeff Levi
El Cerrito resident since 2002

Dear Council Members,

Just as Black Lives Matter, so too, Palestinian Lives Matter.

Career politicians are often plagued by big egos and endless desire for power and popularity, when, in-fact, you are here to serve the collective vision of your constituency. When you do not, you are not so gifted or special, that we cannot vote you out and replace you with public servants who do care about their constituency.

In this note, my Palestinian, Arab, Muslim, and Jewish El Cerritan family feel unsafe that "Not in Our Town" or "United Against Hate" does not apply to them, as evidenced by the words, actions, and inactions of the collective Council and its individual members.

To make all El Cerritans safe, you must pass a ceasefire resolution in full cooperation with Palestinian El Cerritans that honors the full humanity of the Palestinian People.

If you cannot do this, please resign immediately for your racist actions that fan the burning fires of Anti-Palestinian, Anti-Arab, Islamaphobic, and Anti-Semitic racism. Palestinian Lives Matter!

Sincerest regards,
Miguel Gravelle Izaguirre

From: Hillary Kilimnik
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 12:40 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: public comments- not on the agenda: NO motion for a ceasefire on city Council agenda

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Hello Members of the El Cerrito City Council,
I'm writing to express my fervent opposition to any motion for a ceasefire resolution to be added to the city council agenda.

I applaud this city council for having stood strong against such a motion to date, given the pressure being applied by a very loud and hostile minority in our community. I'm well aware that this loud minority uses intimidation as a tactic and I urge you to continue to stand up for what you know to be right.

I supported the ceasefire that was in place on October 6th. Unfortunately, Hamas broke that ceasefire and declared all out war on Israel in the most barbaric way. Putting a motion for ceasefire on the city council agenda, while Hamas continues to say they will repeat October 7 again and again until Israel no longer exists, will only cause greater divisions within our community. It will create a forum where anti-semites and Israel haters can express their hate-filled opinions. We are already seeing this play out in Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco, after resolutions have been passed. We don't want to see this in El Cerrito.

Thank you for your continued civic leadership during these trying times.

Sincerely,
Hillary K.

From: [Michelle Ayazi](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 12:42:52 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

Specifically, El Cerrito Mayor Rudnick, Council Members Quinto and Wysinger have not shown the public any interest in engaging with their residents. How incredibly sad and undemocratic.

If you really “Stand United Against Hate” you’d listen to your community and do something act accordingly. The people who don’t want a ceasefire resolution or are “neutral” are either uninformed, misinformed or feel threatened they will lose some sort of unjust privilege they have (i.e. self interested and short sighted).

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Michelle Ayazi

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Brendan Harrison](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#)
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 12:47:21 PM

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

Please consider putting a ceasefire resolution on the agenda. We must call for an end to the killing of innocent civilians.

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Sincerely,
Brendan Harrison

From: [Michael Kaye](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: public comments – not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 12:59:29 PM

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Our family is opposed to a Ceasefire measure.

We support a ceasefire. We supported the ceasefire that was in place on October 7th, when Hamas attacked Israel and instigated this current round of fighting. But more importantly, we are opposed to putting such a motion on the agenda because it creates a forum where Israel haters and antisemites can express their vile, hate filled opinions. We have already seen this in Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco and we don't want it in El Cerrito.

Michael Kaye

From: [Dean Kertesz](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: public comments – not on the agenda
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 1:02:14 PM

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Dear Members of the El Cerrito City Council,

I am writing to implore you not to put a Hamas/Israel ceasefire resolution on the agenda.

I believe in peace as all people of good will do. I also support a cease fire. But it is important to note that this round of fighting began when Hamas broke the last cease fire on October 7, 2023 and murdered 1200 Israelis. What is going on in Gaza is unbearable, but we have to remember who started this fight.

I also beg you not to put this issue on our agenda because you will invite hate into our city council chambers. In Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco when these resolutions were discussed people called for Israel's discussion, they lied or denied Hamas' responsibility for the fighting, and some said vile, hateful things about Jews. We don't need to divide our city or verbally attack some residents because of their identity.

I appreciate that you have been standing firmly against putting this issue on the agenda. Your actions in the long run will keep our city strong and unified to address our local issues together.

I will also be at the meeting tonight as a calm voice for peace and unity.

Thank you, Dean Kertesz

From: Lauren Arnest
Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 1:43 PM
To: City Clerk; Paul Fadelli; Lisa Motoyama; Gabe Quinto; Tessa Rudnick; Carolyn Wysinger
Subject: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution

Dear Mayor and City Council Members, Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution.
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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Our city is failing to listen to our leaders in Congress, our community members, and the majority of the American people when we call on you for a ceasefire resolution in Gaza.

Let's be clear: if there were thousands of American children being murdered, orphaned, and disabled by a military occupation, the United States would not stand for it as mere "collateral damage" in a "war": there would be rightful outrage and an immediate push for it to *stop*. By not calling for an immediate ceasefire, we are saying that these deaths are okay. And it is NOT OKAY.

What is happening in Gaza is a genocide of Palestinian people by the Israeli government, and our government is wrongfully backing this slaughter. These people are not just dying, it is not just a tragedy, it is a *purposeful murderous campaign* by the Israeli government and we have a responsibility as tax payers to demand that our money not support this.

El Cerrito must take a stand against hatred as we have so often in the past in other social justice movements. None of us are free until we are all free, and when people are being murdered and displaced abroad by our tax dollars, we MUST take a stand against it. Most of the world is calling for an immediate ceasefire as a bare minimum response to this slaughter, and we should be too. It is that simple.

Stand United Against Hate - Ceasefire now!

Best,
Lauren Arnest

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Public comments - Not on the Agenda Opposition to Putting a Motion for a Ceasefire on the City Council Agenda
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 2:31:22 PM
Importance: High

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Dear Members of the El Cerrito City Council:

I strongly encourage you NOT to put a motion supporting a ceasefire in Gaza on the City Council agenda. Such resolutions on city or county agendas support divisiveness in our communities. They create a forum where antisemites and those against Israel can express their hate-filled opinions.

I have been a resident of El Cerrito for almost 30 years and have made a career of helping others resolve conflicts and appreciate and understand differences.

If El Cerrito wants to benefit its citizens, I encourage the City to support or encourage programs such as Listening Circles started by the Santa Cruz synagogue, Chadeish Yameinu. These circles are facilitated to provide an arena for people to hear one another's pains and concerns in the ultimate mode of listening to understand. Such offerings create more community than divisiveness.

Sincerely,
Linda Rose

[REDACTED]
El Cerrito, CA 94530

From: [leslie dibenedetto](#)
To: [City Clerk](#); [Paul Fadelli](#); [Lisa Motoyama](#); [Gabe Quinto](#); [Tessa Rudnick](#); [Carolyn Wysinger](#); [leslie](#)
Cc: [Albany&ElCerrito4ceasefire Now](#)
Subject: Re: Item not on the agenda - Ceasefire Resolution
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 3:13:55 PM

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Hello, I sent this letter in yesterday and did not see it in the packet. Can you please advise? Leslie

On Monday, February 19, 2024 at 06:21:37 PM PST, leslie [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I am writing again to remind you that many community members are calling for our city to put forth a resolution for a ceasefire in Gaza. Many people have called for a discussion but we have been left without a voice in our city yet again. (Two members met with us and we appreciate their efforts but we also need leadership on this matter.) Our tax dollars go to fund this war, so we have a right to be heard and it seems to me, it is your obligation as our elected council members to follow the will of the people when we call for peace - for any cause that we bring to you.

As you know, the majority of Americans want the destruction and loss of life in Gaza to stop. Many of us ask, will this truly remove Hamas from the Middle East? Will this make everyone safe? It is undoubtedly NO! And at a terrible cost to so many, many innocent people! It is a disgrace that we do not have your support and leadership. This is beyond urgent.

It saddens me that yet again, many of our city council members do not heed calls from the public - even when most people would agree change needs to happen.

Thank you for your time,

Leslie D. Adams
El Cerrito, CA

From: [Adena Kaplan](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Public Comment - not on the agenda opposition to putting a motion for a ceasefire on the City Council agenda
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024 3:38:35 PM

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I am a long-time resident of El Cerrito in the huber park neighborhood. I am Jewish. I am strongly opposed to the City Council taking up resolution in response to the Hamas-Israel war. I want to see this war end, as much as anyone. Hamas broke a ceasefire that was in place on October 7th when they attacked Israel and instigated this brutal round of fighting.

I want to live peacefully with my neighbors here in El Cerrito.

I do NOT want to see our City Council take a position related to a ceasefire. It only serves to further divide our community. For example, I am tired of seeing some of our local businesses, as well meaning as they are, forward and parrot social media posts calling upon a ceasefire from groups and sources that are anti-semitic and espouse hate-filled opinions toward Jews and Israel.

I do NOT want our City Council to take up an agenda item on this topic to create a forum for this hate speech.

I accept that we all have different experiences and opinions about this current war and the politics in the region going back years, decades, centuries. I accept that my Israeli family and their Palestinian family each have their own lived experiences and traumas and claims. I accept that we can hold a variety of opinions about current political leaders and potential political solutions. I accept that we all want the killing to stop.

My City Council does not need to take a stand or make a forum for more discussion on these topics. We've seen hate in Richmond, Oakland and SF resulting from ceasefire resolutions on council agendas. We don't need it here in El Cerrito.

Adena Kaplan

From: Ira Sharenow
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2024 2:54 PM
To: City Clerk; Holly Charl  y
Cc: Tessa Rudnick; Lisa Motoyama; Paul Fadelli
Subject: Item 9B Budget

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Management appears to be reporting excessive spending combined with a revenue shortfall.

Is El Cerrito repeating the budgetary practices that led to TRAN, "Going Concern", and a state audit?

Additionally, given the seasonality of some revenues and expenditures, management cautioned against making straight line projections.

MAIN POINT: Management needs to provide predictions so that the council and the community know what was the actual versus what was expected. Management used to provide this information, but now it seems that there is less transparency.

There needs to be a serious discussion about the pension liability which increased from \$57.8 million to \$85 million. What is up with the Section 115 Trust?

There also needs to be a serious discussion about the overuse of consultants. The city even hires consultants to run meetings.

The increase in spending since 2018 is much greater than inflation with some departments increasing spending at a significantly greater pace than the CPI. Council needs to understand what is happening.

Finally, there needs to be a budget allocation for a senior center.

Ira Sharenow
El Cerrito, CA