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TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

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

Closed Captions available Via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 811 5329 4447 **Password:** 999653 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

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

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

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

Public Comments:

1. *In-person* by submitting a request to speak to the City Clerk.
2. *By Email* to cityclerk@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us identified in the subject line as **Public Comments – Agenda Item #.**

Written comments received by **2:00 p.m. the day of the meeting** will be provided to the City Council and posted [online](#) in advance of the meeting. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to the City Council and will be posted **after the meeting**.

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

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**

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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.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Remarks are typically limited to 3 minutes per person. The Mayor may reduce the time limit per speaker depending upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for public comment to facilitate the completion of business on the agenda. Comments regarding non-agenda, presentation and consent calendar items will be heard first. Comments related to items appearing on the Public Hearing or Policy Matter portions of the Agenda will be heard prior to the City Council taking action on each item.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. West Contra Costa Unified School District (WCCUSD) Presentation on current initiatives

Action Proposed: Receive and file a presentation on current initiatives at WCCUSD, ways to partner in building the educational community, and receive information about the Community Support Collaborative.

Contact: Kenneth Chris Hurst Sr., Superintendent, WCCUSD; John Gioia, District 1 Supervisor, Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

B. FY 2022-23 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

Action Proposed: Receive and file the transmittal of and presentation on the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Contact: Sheldon Chavan CPA, Managing Partner

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. Crime Prevention Committee Reappointments

Action Proposed: Approve a Crime Prevention Committee recommendation to reappoint James Dolgonas and George Gager to the Crime Prevention Committee for a second term, effective March 19, 2024.

Contact: Aaron Leone, Detective Sergeant/CPC Staff Liaison, Police Department

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B. Monthly Disbursement and Check Register Report for February 2024

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

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

C. Annual Progress Report for the General Plan & Housing Element

Action Proposed: Receive and file the attached 2023 Annual Progress Report on the General Plan and Housing Element.

Contact: Diego Romero, Associate Planner; Aissia Ashoori, Housing-Economic Development Manager; Sean Moss, Planning Manager, Community Development Department

D. Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement with Godbe Research

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the consulting services agreement with Godbe Research to conduct a feasibility survey regarding the extension of Measure R.

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

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. POLICY MATTERS

A. Adoption of Revisions to City Board, Commission, and Committee Regulations

Action Proposed: 1) Adopt a resolution modifying regulations for City Board, Commissions, and Committees including member requirements, youth participation and communication with City Council and 2) introduce by title and waive any further reading of an Ordinance amending section 2.04.220 of the El Cerrito Municipal Code related to meeting frequency and restrictions regarding concurrent appointments.

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

B. Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding for Coordination

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**of Wildfire Prevention Activities to Protect the East Bay Hills in
Alameda and Contra Costa Counties**

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City of El Cerrito to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with other jurisdictions in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties to form a Wildfire Prevention Coordinating Group (WPCG) to improve regional collaboration to reduce wildfire risk.

Contact: Eric Saylor, Fire Chief, Fire 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, April 2, 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.