

Mayor

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**AGENDA****Councilmembers**

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TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING (5:00 PM)

Hillside Conference Room - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

**CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EL CERRITO PUBLIC FINANCING
AUTHORITY AND 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: 875 2711 9221 **Password:** 420247 **Dial in:** 1-408-638-0968

View (Regular Meeting Only):

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

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 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: Police Employees Association (PEA); Public Safety Management Association; and Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1021.

Contact: Sky Woodruff, City Attorney, City Management

4. ADJOURN SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 PM ROLL CALL – CONVENE CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EL CERRITO PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND 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.

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

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A. Update on the Hillside Natural Area Fire Resilience and Forest Conservation Management Plan

Action Proposed: Receive and file an update, including proposed major recommendations, for the Hillside Natural Area (HNA) Fire Resilience and Forest Conservation Management Plan.

Contact: Stephen Prée, Environmental Programs Manager; Karineh Samkian, Senior Program Manager, Public Works Department; Chase Beckman, Battalion Chief, Fire Department

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. National Night Out Proclamation

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation calling upon all residents of the City of El Cerrito to participate in "National Night Out" on Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

Contact: Emily Graham, Executive Assistant, Police Department

B. Loving Day Proclamation

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation declaring June 12, 2024 as Loving Day in the City of El Cerrito, and encourage people to reflect on the Loving family and all of the pioneers who have and will continue to fight for the civil right to love.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst, City Management

C. LGBTQIA+ Pride Month Proclamation

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation declaring the month of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender/Transsexual, Queer/Questioning, Intersex and Agender/Asexual (LGBTQIA+) Pride month in the City of El Cerrito and recognize Pride Month by flying the Progress Pride flag at City Hall during the month of June.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst, City Management

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D. Juneteenth Proclamation

Action Proposed: Approve a proclamation in support and recognition of Juneteenth on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 and further recognize Juneteenth by flying the flag at City Hall June 17-19, 2024.

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

E. Environmental Quality Committee Reappointment Recommendation

Action Proposed: Approve an Environmental Quality Committee recommendation to reappoint Paloma Pavel to the Environmental Quality Committee, effective June 5, 2024.

Contact: Christina Leard, Management Analyst III, Public Works Department; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer

F. Resolution to Amend the City's Classification Plan

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution amending the City's Classification Plan to authorize revisions to the existing classifications of Recreation Director, Recreation Supervisor, Community Development Director, Planning Manager, Senior Planner, Building Official, Finance Director/City Treasurer, Budget and Financial Services Manager, Senior Accountant, Accountant II, and Public Safety Executive Assistant.

Contact: Shannon Bassi, Senior Human Resources Analyst, City Management

G. Consulting Services Agreements for On-Call Engineering and Project Management Services

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute consulting services agreements with three firms, BKF Engineers, CSW/Stuber-Stroeh Engineering Group (CSW), and Avila Project Management to provide On-call Engineering and Project Management services for three years with options to extend for an additional two years in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per fiscal year for each agreement.

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

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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A. Annual Review and Renewal of the Military Equipment Ordinance

Action Proposed: Conduct a public hearing, and upon conclusion, adopt a resolution approving the El Cerrito Police Department Military Equipment Report for 2023 and the Military Equipment Policy, including an updated Equipment Inventory, and renewing Ordinance 2022-01.

Contact: Paul Keith, Chief, El Cerrito Police Department

9. POLICY MATTERS

A. Creation of New Community Safety Committee and Elimination of Crime Prevention Committee

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution rescinding Resolution 2001-105 and disbanding the Crime Prevention Committee, and forming a new Community Safety Committee

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

**B. CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY ITEM
Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-25 and 2025-26 Biennial Budget**

Action Proposed: Receive and file the Draft Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-25 and 2025-26 City Biennial Budget and provide direction to staff as necessary.

Contact: Karen Pinkos, City Manager; Crystal Reams, Finance Director/City Treasurer; Claire Coleman, Budget/Financial Services Manager, 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 CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EL CERRITO
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING IN MEMORY OF HOWARD ABELSON, FORMER EL CERRITO
MAYOR**

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, June 18, 2023 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.