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TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:00 PM)

Council Chambers - 10890 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito

Closed Captions Available Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82359405953?pwd=vD7wBhq9KYJ8MMdnXWIM3nRmtRBLk9.1>

Meeting ID: 823 5940 5953 **Passcode:** 347044 **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**.

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**

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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

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. Approval of Minutes

Action Proposed: Approve the City Council Meeting minutes from May 20, June 3, and June 17, 2025.

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

B. Board, Commission, and Committee Workplan(s) and/or Accomplishments

Action Proposed: Receive and file adopted workplan(s) and accomplishments from applicable Boards, Commissions, and Committees of the City.

- Urban Forest Committee
- Community Safety Committee
- Committee on Aging
- Economic Development Committee

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

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C. Adoption of Ordinance regarding Defensible Space and Home Hardening Inspections within the High and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones as Designated by CalFire and Designating Fire Hazard Severity Zones.

Introduced on 6/17/2025

Action Proposed: Adopt Ordinance 2025-02: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EL CERRITO AMENDING CHAPTER 8.30 OF THE EL CERRITO MUNICIPAL CODE TO DESIGNATE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 51179 AND TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING INSPECTIONS WITHIN THE HIGH AND VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES.

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

D. Consulting Services Agreements for On-Call Construction Management Services

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute consulting services agreements with 4leaf, Avila Project Management, Consor PMCM, Consolidated CM, CSG Consultants, Dabri., Inc, Kellman Construction, Mack5, Shiels Sowko Consultants, Swinerton Management & Consulting, and Zoon Engineering to provide On-Call Construction Management Services for three years with options to extend for an additional two years in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 per fiscal year for each agreement.

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

E. Consulting Services Agreement for Service Delivery Study

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a consulting services agreement with Citygate Associates, LLC, to complete a citywide Service Delivery Study in an amount not to exceed \$149,891.

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

F. Resolution in Support of the El Cerrito Plaza Station Transit-Oriented Development, Parcel A South

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Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution supporting the issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds or Notes (Bonds) by the County of Contra Costa to finance the construction of 70 affordable housing units located at 515 Richmond Street (Project) for ECP Parcel A South Housing Partners, L.P. (Developer), an affiliate of the Related Companies of California, LLC.

Contact: Aissia Ashoori, Housing-Economic Development Manager; Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director, Community Development Department

G. Financial Advisory Board Recommendation

Action Proposed: Receive and file recommendations from the Financial Advisory Board.

Contact: David Carvel, Vice-Chair, Financial Advisory Board; Crystal Reams, Finance Director/Staff Liaison, Finance Department

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Fire Hazard Abatement Hearing and Declaration

Exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review (CEQA Guidelines Sections 15304 and 15308), Notice published on 7/5/2025

Action Proposed: Staff requests that the City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution declaring weeds, rubbish, litter, or other flammable material on certain real property identified in the resolution constitutes a public nuisance; and **2.** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a resolution overriding objections by property owners and ordering the City Manager or their designee to abate certain public nuisances pursuant to El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 16.26.

Contact: Thomas Wade, Fire Prevention Officer; Chase Beckman, Fire Marshal, Fire Department

B. Public Nuisance Abatement Hearing for 6327 Conlon Avenue

Property Notice posted on 07/03/2025, Notice Published on 07/05/2025

Action Proposed: Conduct a public hearing and, upon conclusion, adopt a resolution confirming the cost of abatement of public nuisance conditions resulting from the presence of weeds, rubbish, litter, or other flammable material on private property at 6327 Conlon Avenue, as authorized by El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 8.34 - Nuisance Abatement.

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Contact: Steven Mello, Neighborhood Preservation Program Coordinator; Aissia Ashoori, Housing-Economic Development Manager; Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director

9. POLICY MATTERS

A. Active Transportation Plan and Complete Streets Policies Study Session

Action Proposed: Conduct a study session on the City's Active Transportation Plan and Complete Streets policies and provide possible direction to City staff regarding these policies.

Contact: Jarrett Mullen, Sustainable Transportation Program Manager, Community Development Department; Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works 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, August 19, 2025 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.