



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE

Monday May 13, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

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El Cerrito City Hall
City Council Chambers
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7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING

- 1. ROLL CALL** - Chair Cathy Bleier; Vice-Chair Catherine (Cassie) Hughes; Members: Robert Hrubes Jennifer Kaczor, Yan Linhart, Robin Mitchell
- 2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC and INTRODUCTION BY INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE ADVISORY BOARD**
Remarks are typically limited to three minutes per person and may be on anything within the subject matter jurisdiction of the body. Remarks on non-agenda items will be heard first, remarks on agenda items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.
- 3. COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / CHANGES TO THE MEETING AGENDA** (10 minutes)
- 4. CITY COUNCIL / STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS-** (5 minutes)
City Council Liaison and / or City Staff may report on Council policies, priorities, and significant actions taken by the City Council, and / or matters of general interest to the Urban Forest Committee (UFC).
- 5. PRESENTATION: CONTRA COSTA COUNTY LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN-** (10 minutes)
City of El Cerrito Fire Department Captain David Ciappara will provide an overview of the plan.
- 6. ACTION ITEMS** (10 minutes)
 - A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES-** Consider a motion to adopt the minutes from the April 8, 2024 UFC meeting.
 - B. **REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE-** Consider a motion to reduce the regular meeting schedule based on the new minimum requirement to meet quarterly (not monthly) as adopted by the City Council in April.
- 7. COLLABORATION WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE** (3 minutes)
Hear updates, participate in discussion, and consider possible action items regarding collaborating with the EQC.
- 8. COLLABORATION WITH THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

(3 minutes) Hear updates, participate in discussion, and consider possible action items regarding collaborating with the PRC.

9. URBAN FOREST COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES, CALENDAR, AND WORK PLAN:

Hear updates, participate in discussion, and consider possible actions that correspond with development of the Urban Forest Committee Work Plan and calendar of events. (60 minutes)

A. UFC 2022/23 WORK PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS UPDATE- (Kaczor, Mitchell)

B. HNA FIRE RESILIENCE AND FOREST CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE – (Mitchell, Prée)

C. URBAN FORESTRY GRANTS AND FUNDRAISING UPDATE – (Kaczor, Mitchell, Prée)

D. EL CERRITO EARTHDAY 2024- DEBRIEF (Mitchell, Prée)

10. ITEMS FROM TONIGHT’S MEETING THAT REQUIRE FURTHER ACTION
(5 minutes)

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- hear committee member suggestions for future UFC meeting items (4 minutes)

- Work Plan Update
- Urban Forestry Grants and Fundraising (Hrubes, Kaczor, Mitchell)
- HNA Plan

12. ADJOURNMENT

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