

EL CERRITO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EL CERRITO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 19, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Members:

Mayor Paul Fadelli

Mayor Pro Tem Gabriel Quinto · Councilmember Janet Abelson
Councilmember Lisa Motoyama · Councilmember Tessa Rudnick

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To ensure that the City Council receives your written comments prior to taking action, they must be received by **4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting**. All written comments received by this deadline will be provided to the City Council and posted online in advance of the meeting.

Written comments received after the deadline will be provided to the City Council and included with supplemental materials **after the meeting**. **No written comments will be read into the record.**

7:00 P.M. ROLL CALL – CONVENE SPECIAL EL CERRITO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Fadelli called the meeting to order at 07:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Absent:** None

1. TELECONFERENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS

2. 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.

City Manager Pinkos - provided an update on COVID health orders and vaccines, Martin Luther King Jr. Day car caravan and socially distanced celebration, and timeline for upcoming budget discussions.

Mayor Pro Tem Quinto - announced Mayor Conference appointments of Mayor Fadelli to the Contra Costa Elections Citizen Advisory Committee, Lisa Motoyama to the East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee, and Councilmember Rudnick to the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority Board.

Mayor Fadelli - announced El Cerrito ranked #2 in a Climate Leader survey in Contra Costa County and welcomed new Councilmembers.

3. 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.

All written comments submitted prior to and during the meeting were posted online as supplemental materials and incorporated into the official meeting record. Written public comments for matters not on the agenda were received from Cordell Hindler, Gary Prost and Nick Zamorano; consent item 4C from Nick Zamorano, Marlene George and Dave Weinstein; consent item 4D from Howdy Goudey; and presentation item 5A from Al Miller and Pamela Austin.

Oral Public Comments:

Dave Weinstein - spoke in support of outsourcing curbside portion of recycling services, not more.

Fred Bialy - commented on concern regarding climate emergency and recommended a more significant greenhouse gas emissions clause.

Howdy Goudey - requested further discussion on item 4D regarding more stringent threshold for greenhouse gas emissions.

Rishi Singh - spoke regarding mental health, community engagement, and a social emotional taskforce.

4. 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.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Quinto/Councilmember Abelson **Action:** Motion to Approved item A, B, and E on the consent calendar as indicated below.

Ayes: Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

A. Approval of Minutes for 11/17/2020, 11/19/2020, 12/01/2020, and 12/15/2020

Action Proposed: Pass a motion to approve the City Council meeting minutes for November 17, November 19, December 1, and December 15, 2020.

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

Action: Approved minutes, amending the 11/17/2020 special meeting minutes to reflect 3/1/2021 as the term expiration of Cathy Bleier.

B. FY 2020-21 Second Quarter Cash and Investment Report

Action Proposed: Receive and file the City's Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter ending December 31, 2020.

Contact: Mark R. Rasiah, Finance Director/Treasurer, Finance Department

Action: Received and filed

C. Consulting Services Agreement with R3 Consulting Group, Inc. for the Evaluation of Recycling Collection Operations and Outsourcing Feasibility

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a consulting services agreement with R3 Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$60,610 for the evaluation of recycling collection operations and outsourcing feasibility.

Contact: Yvetteh Ortiz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Public Works Department

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Quinto/Councilmember Motoyama

Action: Pulled from consent by Councilmember Rudnick. Approved Resolution 2021-01. **Ayes:** Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

D. Authorize Amendment of Professional Services Agreement between City of El Cerrito and Moore Iacofano Goltsman (MIG) to update San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan and Environmental Impact Report utilizing grant funds.

Action Proposed: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend a Professional Services Agreement with Moore Iacofano Goltsman (MIG) to provide services to complete an update of the San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan Form Based Code and Supplemental Environmental Impact Report.

Contact: Melanie Mintz, Community Development Director; Sean Moss, Planning Manager, Community Development Department

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Abelson/Councilmember Rudnick

Action: Pulled from consent by Councilmember Rudnick. Approved Resolution 2021-02. **Ayes:** Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

E. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY ITEM Approve Draft Annual Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule 21-22 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022)

Action Proposed: Adopt a Successor Agency resolution reviewing and authorizing submittal of the draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule 21-22.

Contact: Shannon Collins, Finance Supervisor, Finance Department

Action: Approved SA Resolution 2021-01

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. El Cerrito Library Update

Action Proposed: Receive and file and update on activities at the El Cerrito Public Library.

Contact: Heidi Goldstein, Senior Community Library Manager, El Cerrito Public Library

Action: Received and filed an update on Library activities.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. POLICY MATTERS

A. Adoption of a Side Letter between the City of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association

Action Proposed: Adopt a resolution approving an agreement between the City of El Cerrito and the El Cerrito Police Employees' Association extending the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and modifying language on salaries and other working conditions.

Contact: Kristen Cunningham, Human Resources Manager; Alexandra Orologas, Assistant City Manager, City Management

Presentation and Discussion: Presenters and staff responded to comments and questions raised by members of the council regarding overall impact on funding reserves.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Quinto/Councilmember Motoyama

Action: Approved Resolution 2021-03. **Ayes:** Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

B. Ordinance Amending Rules of Order

Notice Published on 1/9/2021

Action Proposed: Introduce by title and waive any further reading of an Ordinance amending Section 2.04.050 and 2.04.220 regarding Rules of Order.

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

Public Comments: All written comments submitted prior to and during the meeting were posted online as supplemental materials and incorporated into the official meeting record. Written public comments for this item were received from Cordell Hindler.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Rudnick/Councilmember Abelson

Action: Passed a motion introducing by title only Ordinance 2021-01.

Ayes: Mayor Fadelli, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Abelson, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

C. Urban Forest Committee Term Limits

Action Proposed: At the request of Councilmember Abelson and the members of the Urban Forest Committee, discuss potential modifications to term limitation for the committee and provide direction to staff.

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

Presentation and Discussion: Presenters and staff responded to comments and questions raised by members of the council regarding future discussion on all committees, meeting frequency, and potential merge of Urban Forest Committee with Park and Recreation Committee.

Oral Public Comments:

Dave Weinstein - spoke in support of no term limits for committees and potentially holding meetings without staff.

Howdy Goudey - spoke regarding committees being held to the same standards, in support of no term limits unless there are no vacancies and continuing monthly meetings.

Sherry Drobner - spoke in support of incorporating more citizen involvement in the work of the city, and opposition to meeting less frequently.

Al Miller - commented on prior Committee of the Whole, non-staffed meetings, and meeting frequency.

Moved/Seconded: Councilmember Abelson/Mayor Pro Tem Quinto
Action: Motion directing staff to return with a resolution setting term limits at three terms. **Ayes:** Mayor Fadelli, Councilmember Abelson, Mayor Pro Tem Quinto, Councilmember Motoyama, Councilmember Rudnick **Noes:** None

8. CITY COUNCIL LOCAL & REGIONAL LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS *Mayor and City Council communications regarding local and regional liaison assignments and committee reports.*

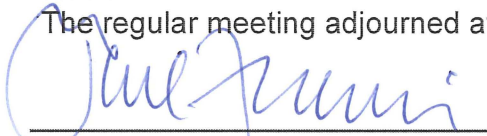
A. 2021 City Council Local Liaison Assignments

The Mayor will announce the 2021 City Council Liaison Assignments to City Boards, Commissions, and Committees and to Regional Bodies.

Members of the Council announced their regional and local liaison assignments for 2021.

9. ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting adjourned at 09:14 PM


Paul Fadelli, Mayor

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 19, 2021 as approved by the El Cerrito City Council.


Holly M. Charléty, MMC, City Clerk