

Health, Housing & Community
Service Department
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/ Albany Mental Health Commission

Regular Meeting Thursday, September 22, 2022

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Zoom meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83719253558>

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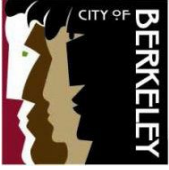
AGENDA

7:00pm

1. Roll Call

2. Preliminary Matters

- a. Action Item: Approval of the September 22, 2022 agenda
- b. Action Item: Approval of the August 23, 2022 minutes



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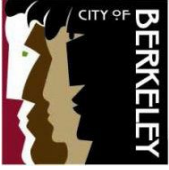
- 3. Bridge to SCU and SCU Update – Dr. Lisa Warhuus, Director Health, Housing & Community Services**
- 4. Community Presentation - Diversion of Berkeley People Living with Mental Illness and Substance Use in Alameda County. L.D Louis and Brian Bloom**

The Alameda County District Attorney for the Mental Health Unit, L.D. Louis (22+ years), and the Public Defender, Brian Bloom (25+ years recently retired), will speak on different stages of diversion from pre-charging to avoiding deeper involvement in the criminal legal and incarceration systems for Berkeley people living with mental illness and/or substance use disorders and issues. The presentation will conclude with future trends, including comments on how CARE Courts may impact diversion processes.

- 5. Public Comment (non-agenda items)**
- 6. Mental Health Manger’s Report**
 - a. MHC Manager report September 2022
 - b. MH Caseload stats August 2022
 - c. FY 23 HHCS
- 7. Discussion and possible action for subcommittees**
 - a. **Crisis Stabilization**
 - b. **Site Visit**
 - c. **Youth Mental Health**
 - d. **Education**
 - e. **Santa Rita Jail**

- 8. Adjournment**

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