



**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 22, 2024
12:00 PM**

2180 Milvia Street, 1st Floor - Cypress Room

Teleconference Location – 1390 Market Street, San Francisco, CA

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani and Sophie Hahn
Alternate: Vacant

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AGENDA

Roll Call

Election of Chairperson

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - May 8, May 9 and May 13, 2024

Committee Action Items

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2. FY25/26 Proposed Budget

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Discussion and Recommendations on the FY25/26 Proposed Budget including funding requests, Council budget referrals and budget balancing strategies

Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

Items for Future Agendas

- Requests by Committee Members to add items to the next agenda

Adjournment

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Numainville".

Mark Numainville, City Clerk

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**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 8, 2024
9:00 AM**

2180 Milvia Street, 6th Floor - Redwood Room

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani and Sophie Hahn

Alternate: Vacant

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Roll Call: 09:12 a.m.

Present: Kesarwani, Hahn, Arreguin

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - January 25, 2024

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Kesarwani) to approve the minutes of 1/25/2024.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – Hahn; Absent - None.

Committee Action Items

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2. FY 25/26 Budget Overview

From: City Manager

Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.

3. Department Budget Presentations

a. Department Budget Presentation: Police

From: City Manager

Contact: Jennifer Louis, Police, (510) 981-5900

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.

b. Department Budget Presentation: Health, Housing and Community Services

From: City Manager

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

c. Department Budget Presentation: City Clerk

From: City Manager

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

Recess 12:30 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.

- d. Department Budget Presentation: Human Resources**
From: City Manager
Contact: Aram Kouyoumdjian, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800
Action: 3 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.
- e. Department Budget Presentation: Information Technology**
From: City Manager
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.
- f. Department Budget Presentation: Finance**
From: City Manager
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300
Action: 0 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.
- g. Department Budget Presentation: Office of the City Manager**
From: City Manager
Contact: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager, (510) 981-7000
Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.
- h. Debrief/Review of Questions**
From: City Manager
Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000
Action: 0 speakers. Discussion held.

Mayor Arreguin absent at 4:00 p.m.

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Hahn/Kesarwani) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent - Arreguin.

Adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on May 8, 2024.

Neetu Salwan, Assistant City Clerk

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**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
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**Thursday, May 9, 2024
9:00 AM**

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Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani and Sophie Hahn

Alternate: Vacant

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Roll Call: 9:12 a.m.

Present: Kesarwani, Hahn, Arreguin

Committee Action Items

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1. Department Budget Presentations

a. Department Budget Presentation: Fire

From: City Manager

Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

b. Department Budget Presentation: Office of the Director of Police Accountability

From: City Manager

Contact: Hansel Aguilar, Office of the Director of Police Accountability, (510) 981-4950

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

c. Department Budget Presentation: Parks, Recreation & Waterfront

From: City Manager

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.

Recess 12:05 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

d. Department Budget Presentation: Public Works

From: City Manager

Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: 4 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

e. Department Budget Presentation: City Auditor

From: City Manager

Contact: Jenny Wong, Auditor, (510) 981-6750

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.

Committee Action Items

- f. **Department Budget Presentation: Planning and Development**
From: City Manager
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400
Action: 3 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.
- g. **Debrief/Review of Questions**
From: City Manager
Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000
Action: 0 speakers. Discussion held.

Mayor Arreguin absent at 3:15 p.m.

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Hahn/Kesarwani) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent - Arreguin.

Adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

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**Monday, May 13, 2024
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Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani and Sophie Hahn
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MINUTES

Roll Call: 9:28 a.m.

Present: Kesarwani, Hahn, Arreguin

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1. Department Budget Presentations

a. Department Budget Presentation: City Attorney

From: City Manager

Contact: Farimah Brown, City Attorney, (510) 981-6950

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

b. Measure P and U1

From: City Manager

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

c. Discussion on Budget Balancing Strategies

From: City Manager

Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held.

2. Discussion and Recommendations

From: City Manager

Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

Action: 0 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

Councilmember Kesarwani absent at 12:10 p.m.

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin /Hahn) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Ayes – Arreguin, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent - Kesarwani.


Adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

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