



PARKS, RECREATION, AND WATERFRONT COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

Parks and Waterfront Commission

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE

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Agenda

The Commissions may discuss any items listed on the agenda, but may take action only on items identified as Action.

1. **Call to Order** (Chair).
2. **Roll Call** (Secretary).
3. **Action: Approval of Agenda** (Chair).
4. **Action: Approval of Minutes** for January 11, 2023 (Chair).*
5. **Public Comment.**
6. **Chair's Report.**
7. **Action: Election of officers: chair and vice-chair** (Wozniak).
8. **Director's Report** (Ferris): Divisions: Recreation; Parks; Waterfront; Capital; Budget.
9. **Presentation: Animal Care issues at City parks** (Amelia Funghi).
10. **Discussion: Return to in-person public meetings as of March 2023** (Ferris). *
11. **Discussion: Update on PRW capital projects in FY2023-24** (Ferris).*
12. **Discussion/Action: create a subcommittee on dog parks** (Kawczynska).
13. **Information: Recent Council Reports.** *
14. **Future Agenda Items:** priorities for parks capital projects FY2023-24; PRW Commission Workplan 2023; Parks Development Fee; Citywide Accessibility Plan; BMASP Update.
15. **Communications.**
16. **Next PRW Commission meeting:** Wednesday, March 8, 2023 (in-person).
17. **Adjournment.**

* document is attached to agenda packet and on the commission website.

** document will be provided at the meeting.

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Commission Information: The agenda packets for the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Waterfront Commission are available for review at www.cityofberkeley.info/commissions; the Berkeley Main Library and the Parks Recreation & Waterfront Department Office at 2180 Milvia Street –3rd Floor, during their normal business hours. If you have questions, call Commission Secretary, Roger Miller at 981-6704 at 2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704 or by email at rmiller@cityofberkeley.info.

MISSION STATEMENT – PARKS AND WATERFRONT: Reviews and advises the City Council on issues related to all City/public parks, open space, greenery, pools, programs, recreation centers, the Waterfront, and resident camps: their physical conditions, policies, projects, programs, planning efforts, activities, and funding; early childhood education programs; and animal care issues in parks.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Mayor - Gordon Wozniak	District 3 - Brandon Floyd	District 6 - Anna Avellar
District 1 - Kerry Birnbach	District 4 - Erin Diehm	District 7 - Davina Srioudom
District 2 - Claudia Kawczynska	District 5 - Brennan Cox	District 8 - Allan Abshez

Current Subcommittees:

- subcomm on Marina Fund (12-14-2022).

2022 Commission Meeting Dates

Name of Commission: Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Commission

Commission Secretary: Roger Miller

Location: Frances Albrier Community Center, 2800 Park St

Month	Meeting Day and Date (2 nd Wednesday per month)	Time	Notes
2023			
January	Wednesday, January 11	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg (Zoom)
February	Wednesday, February 8	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg (Zoom)
March	Wednesday, March 8	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg (in-person)
April	Wednesday, April 12	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
May	Wednesday, May 10	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
June	Wednesday, June 14	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
July	Wednesday, July 12	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
August	No meeting		
September	Wednesday, September 13	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
October	Wednesday, October 11	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
November	Wednesday, November 8	7:00 p.m.	Regular Mtg
December	No Meeting		
2024			
January	<i>Wednesday, January 10</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Regular Mtg</i>

**PARKS AND WATERFRONT COMMISSION
Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 7:00 P.M., Zoom Meeting

Minutes – Draft

The Commissions may discuss any items listed on the agenda, but may take action only on items identified as Action.

1. **Call to Order** (Chair): 7:00pm.
2. **Roll Call** (Secretary). Present: Abshez; Avellar; Birnbach; Cox; Floyd; Kawczynska; Wozniak; Absent: Diehm (Ex); Srioudom (Ex).
3. **Action: Approval of Agenda** (Chair). (M/S/C and move item 8 to after item 11: Abshez/Kawczynska/U): Ayes: Abshez; Avellar; Birnbach; Cox; Floyd; Kawczynska; Wozniak; Noes: none; Absent: Diehm, Srioudom.
4. **Action: Approval of Minutes** with correction for December 14, 2022 (Chair).* (M/S/C: Avellar/Cox/U): Ayes: Abshez; Avellar; Birnbach; Floyd; Kawczynska; Wozniak; Noes: none; Abstain: Cox; Absent: Diehm, Srioudom. Commission also took action to place Nov 8, 2023 on PRW Commission meeting calendar (M/S/C: Cox/Kawczynska/U): Ayes: Abshez; Avellar; Birnbach; Cox; Floyd; Kawczynska; Wozniak; Noes: none; Absent: Diehm, Srioudom.
5. **Public Comment.** a) Kelly Hammargren, b) Sean O’Loughlin, Skate XP; c) Martin Nicolaus, Spinnaker Way; d) Tetsu Tokunaga, Skate XP.
6. **Chair’s Report.** See article re: sidewalks in Berkeley (Wozniak); Berkeley Racing and Canoe Club Lunar Year, Jan 29 (Kawczynska); the Holiday Adopt-A-Family was a big success (Wozniak).
7. **Director’s Report** (Ferris): Divisions: Recreation; Parks; Waterfront; Capital; Budget. Update was provided.
8. **Discussion/Action: Civic Center Turtle Island Monument / Fountain Project** (Ferris).* Public Comment: a) Kelly Hammargren; b) Martin Nicolaus; c) Stephen Finacom; d) Shar Sunuki; e) Jennifer Lovvorn. (The commission M/S/C to support the project as presented with the inclusion of creative water elements to consider: Kawczynska/Floyd/U) (M/S/C: Avellar/Cox/U): Ayes: Abshez; Avellar; Birnbach; Cox; Floyd; Kawczynska; Wozniak; Noes: none; Absent: Diehm, Srioudom.
9. **Discussion/Action: Update on Measure T1 shortfall for current projects** (Ferris). * Update was provided. Public Comment: a) Jim McGrath; b) Kelly Hammargren; c) Stephen Finacom.
10. **Discussion: Update on proposed Summer Camp 2023 Fee Increases** (see Council agenda, January 17, 2023) (Ferris). It was suggested to have item on a future date (Kawczynska).
11. **Discussion: PRW Commission Annual Workplan 2023, role of the commission, and February 2023 election of officers for chair and vice-chair** (Wozniak). Discussion was held.
12. **Information: Recent Council Reports.** *
13. **Future Agenda Items:** Workplan 2023*; Parks Development Fee; Citywide Accessibility Plan; BMA SP Update, Animal Care.
14. **Communications.** a) Berkeleyside article on sidewalks, Dec 26, 2022; b) T. Jersey Ltr re: Berkeley Pier, Jan 3, 2023; c) J. McGrath Ltr re: Berkeley Marina, April 2008; d) J. Caner (CCCC) Ltr re: Turtle Island Monument, December 14, 2022. *

15. Next PRW Commission meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

16. Adjournment. 9:55pm.

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- Commissioners in attendance: 7 of 9 appointed.
- Public in attendance: 11.
- Public speakers: 12.

***Note:** For any handouts distributed at the meeting, please see the Draft Minutes for January 11, 2023 on the Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Commission webpage at the following link online:

<https://berkeleyca.gov/your-government/boards-commissions/parks-recreation-and-waterfront-commission>



City Clerk Department

January 19, 2023

To: Members of Berkeley Boards & Commissioners
From: Mark Numainville, City Clerk
Subject: Update – Return to In-Person Meetings

This memo provides an update on the return to in-person meetings for City boards and commissions.

The Governor stated that the Declaration of Emergency by the State of California for COVID-19 will end on February 28, 2023. The end of the Declaration of Emergency means that the exemptions to the Brown Act that allowed for virtual-only meetings of legislative bodies will also end. Starting on March 1, 2023, all legislative bodies in the State of California must meet in-person. There is no authority for any local jurisdiction to override or appeal this requirement in state law.

The responses from commissioners in the November 2022 survey regarding in-person meetings have been very helpful in determining the primary concerns of commissioners and what the City may be able to do to accommodate them. There was a range of responses and the City will not be able to accommodate every preference.

At this time, the City does not have the technical capabilities for commissions to meet in a hybrid format. All participation will be in-person at a physical meeting location. Information was provided to all commission secretaries regarding meeting locations that have large rooms in order to facilitate distancing and air flow. Larger meeting spaces was one of the top requests in the commissioner survey. Some commissions will have a new meeting location from where they met pre-pandemic. In addition, the North Berkeley Senior Center is serving as a warming center for unhoused persons through April and is not available for commission meetings until May.

More information will be provided at a later date regarding the recommended health and safety protocols for in-person commission meetings. These protocols will take into

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account the responses of the survey, the recommendations of the Public Health Officer, and the protocols that have been used for recent in-person meetings of the City Council.

Ad-hoc subcommittees of City commissions are not considered legislative bodies under the Brown Act. Subcommittees do not have noticing requirements and may continue to meet virtually.

We understand that this is a significant change from the temporary virtual meeting format and procedures for commissioners, many of which may have joined commissions during the pandemic. The City will support your commission and your secretary in any manner possible within the constraints of state law and available resources.

cc: Department Directors
Commission Secretaries

PARKS AND WATERFRONT COMMISSION

RECENT COUNCIL REPORTS

The following recent PRW council reports can be accessed from the City Council Website by using the following URL's:

January 31, 2023 (regular)

3.-Lease Agreement: Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement (BAHIA) at building 1718 8th Street, at James Kenney Park

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Item%2003%20Ordinance%207852.pdf>

12.-Contract No. 32200183 Amendment: Western Water Features Inc. for the Electrical Renovations at King Swim Center

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Item%2012%20Contract%20No.%2032200183%20Amendment.pdf>

13.-Contract: California Constructores for Grove Park Field and Playground Renovation Project

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Item%2013%20Contract%20California%20Constructores.pdf>

January 31, 2023 (special)

1.-Provide Direction on Closing the \$3.215M -\$4.515M Funding Gap to Complete Measure T1 Phase 2 Projects

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Special%20Item%2001%20Provide%20Direction%20on%20Closing.pdf>

Revised material (Supp 3)

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Special%20Item%2001%20Provide%20Direction%20on%20Closing%20-%20Rev%20%28Supp%203%29.pdf>

Presentation

URL: <https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-01-31%20Special%20Item%2001%20Provide%20Direction%20on%20Closing%20-%20Pres.pdf>