



# Human Welfare and Community Action Commission

## APPROVED MINUTES

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

7:00 PM

South Berkeley Senior Center, 2939 Ellis St.

Berkeley, CA 94703

### Preliminary Matters

1. Roll Call: 7:22PM  
Present: Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman  
Absent: Whitson, Vrankovecki  
Quorum: 4 (Attended: 5)  
Staff Present: Mary-Claire Katz, Rhianna Babka  
Public Present: Dru Howard, Denah Bookstein, Saba Deyhim, Brianne Imada, Lisa Romo
2. Public Comment: 0

### Update/Action Items

*The Commission may take action related to any subject listed on the agenda, except where noted.*

### **Berkeley Community Action Agency Board Business**

1. Election of Temporary Chair for 1/16/19 Meeting  
**Action:** M/S/C (Sood/Dunner) to elect Samuel Kohn as Temporary Chair.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.
2. Approve Minutes from the 11/28/2018 Regular Meeting (Attachment A)  
**Action:** M/S/C (Kohn/Sood) to approve the 11/28/18 minutes.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.
3. Election of Low-Income Representatives  
**Action:** M/S/C (Omodele/Dunner) to elect Denah Bookstein as a Representative of the Poor.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.  
  
**Action:** M/S/C (Dunner/Omodele) to elect Saba Deyhim as a Representative of the Poor.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.
4. Review and Discuss Community Agency Applications for FY 2020-2023 Funding – Staff  
Commissioners reviewed and discussed the Community Agency Applications for FY 2020-2023 funding.  
  
**Action:** M/S/C (Kohn/ Dunner) to extend the meeting to 9:10PM.

**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – Omodele; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.

5. By-Laws Subcommittee Update – Commissioners Omodele and Kohn (Attachment B)  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
6. Review City Of Berkeley Funded Agency Program And Financial Reports Training — Staff (Attachment C)  
Commissioners received training from staff to review the program and financial reports for Through The Looking Glass.

**Action:** M/S/C (Kohn/ Sood) to extend the meeting to 9:25PM.

**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.

### Other Discussion Items

7. Discuss First Draft Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) (<http://www.cityofberkeley.info/mitigation>) – Staff  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
8. Discuss possible advocating effort for “Positive Behavior Support” for Shelter Plus Care Clients – Commissioner Dunner  
Commissioner Dunner presented information about Positive Behavior Support, and passed out a paper with the definition of the word “punish” and asked the other commissioners to consider this concept for the next meeting.
9. Update on West Berkeley Air Quality – Commissioner Bookstein  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
10. Update on the Closure of Alta Bates Hospital – Commissioner Omodele (Attachment D)  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
11. Discuss Recommendations to City Council on Possible Actions the City Could Take to Protect Immigrants and DACA Students – Commissioner Vrankovecki  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
12. Discuss areas of poverty in Berkeley – Commissioner Howard  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
13. Update on Berkeley Police Commission Initiative ([https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Clerk/Commissions/Commissions\\_Police\\_Review\\_Commission\\_Homepage.aspx](https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Clerk/Commissions/Commissions_Police_Review_Commission_Homepage.aspx)) – Commissioner Vrankovecki  
Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.
14. Review Latest City Council Meeting Agenda

Continued to the 2/28/19 meeting.

15. Announcements

None.

16. Future Agenda Items

None.

**Action:** M/S/C (Kohn/Omodele) to adjourn at 9:20PM.

**Vote:** Ayes – Dunner, Sood, Kohn, Omodele, Holman; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Whitson, Vrankovecki.

**Adjournment**

**Adjourned at: 9:20PM**

**Attachments**

- A. Draft Minutes of the 11/28/2018 Meeting
- B. HWCAC By-Laws
- C. Through the Looking Glass – Berkeley Parenting and Disability Project
- D. Draft Council Report on the Closure of Alta Bates Hospital

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