



Berkeley Homeless Commission

MEETING AGENDA

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Street (MLK)
Commission Secretary: Andrew Wicker (981-5418)

January 13th, 2016
7:00 PM

All agenda items are for Discussion and Possible Action.

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Comments from the Public
- 3) Approval of minutes from November 18th, 2015 [*Attachment 1*]

Updates/Action Items:

- 4) Agenda Approval
- 5) Update on City Council Items – All/Staff
 - a) Amendments to Berkeley Municipal Code regulating use of sidewalks [*Attachment 2*]
 - b) January 12th special meeting -- agenda includes Homeless Task Force recommendations
 - c) January 26th – 2015 Homeless Count report
 - d) February 16th - special housing policy worksession
- 6) Preliminary update on the opening of the Berkeley Food and Housing Project's coordinated access center for homeless services - Staff
- 7) Discuss formation of a subcommittee to review procedures for responding to complaints or grievances related to homeless services in Berkeley - All
- 8) Discussion of access to Below Market Rate units for people have housing subsidies - Commissioner Marasovic [*Attachment 3*]
- 9) Update on Proposition 47 allowing opportunity for reducing felony convictions to misdemeanors - Commissioner Marasovic
- 10) Update on the Shelter Plus Care program enrollment and impact of current rental market on leasing rates - Staff
- 11) Propose agenda items for next meeting
- 12) Announcements
- 13) Adjourn @ 9:00PM

Attachments:

1. Minutes from meeting of November 18th, 2015
2. Amendments to the Berkeley Municipal Code adopted by City Council on December 1st, 2015 Improve Conditions on Our Commercial Sidewalks

3. Staff Report on Below Market Rate Housing and Housing Trust Fund submitted to Council on December 1st, 2015.
4. Copy of article from "berkeleyside" summarizing initiative to expand winter shelter resources

Communications from the public

5. Letter from Carol Denney

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