

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 4, 2016

Housing Advisory Commission

Time: 7:02 p.m.

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street – Berkeley
Secretary – Amy Davidson, (510) 981-5406

MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Roll Call

Present: Heidi Abramson (7:08 p.m.), Diego Aguilar-Canabal, Tor Berg (7:03 p.m.), Brandy Campbell (substitute for Brendan Darrow), Kathleen Crandall, Jill Martinucci, Alejandro Soto-Vigil, Igor Tregub, and Marian Wolfe (7:03 p.m.).

Absent: Brendan Darrow (excused)

Commissioners in attendance: 9 of 9

Staff Present: Buddenhagen, Davidson, Lee, Scott, Tran, and Vasquez.

Members of the public in attendance: 4

Public Speakers: 3

2. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Berg) to approve agenda as amended (move item 9 ahead of 6).

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Aguilar-Canabal, Berg, Campbell, Crandall, Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

3. Public Comment

3 speakers

4. Approval of January 7, 2016 Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Martinucci/Wolfe) to approve minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Berg, Crandall, Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: Aguilar-Canabal and Campbell. Absent: Darrow (excused).

UPDATES / ACTION ITEMS

5. Housing Advisory Commission Officer Elections

Action A: M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Martinucci) to re-elect Commissioner Darrow as Chair.

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Aguilar-Canabal, Berg, Campbell, Crandall, Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

Action B: M/S/C (Berg/Wolfe) to re-elect Commissioner Tregub as Vice Chair.

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Aguilar-Canabal, Berg, Campbell, Crandall, Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

6. Relocation Ordinance

Action A: M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Aguilar-Canabal, severed by Martinucci) to send a letter to Council for February 9th supporting the first two changes to the Relocation Ordinance that were recommended by staff: the revision to the definition of natural disaster and clarifying the definition of eligible tenants.

Vote: Ayes: Aguilar-Canabal, Berg, Campbell (substitute for Darrow), Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: Abramson and Crandall. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

Action B: M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Aguilar-Canabal, severed by Martinucci) to recommend that Council refer the Relocation Ordinance back to staff for additional analysis of the feasibility of requiring liability insurance that covers relocation.

Vote: Ayes: Aguilar-Canabal, Campbell (substitute for Darrow), Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: Abramson, Berg, Crandall, and Martinucci. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

Action C: M/S/F (Berg/Abramson) to support the third change to the Relocation Ordinance recommended by staff: tenants are entitled to relocation payments to the extent that the payments are not covered by tenants' insurance.

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Berg, Crandall, and Martinucci. Noes: Aguilar-Canabal, Campbell (substitute for Darrow), Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

7. Draft Annual Action Plan

Jennifer Vasquez provided an update.

8. Support for the Berkeley Housing Authority

9. Housing Advisory Commission 2016 Workplan

10. Update from Subcommittees

11. Update on Council Items

12. Future Items – all items and dates are tentative

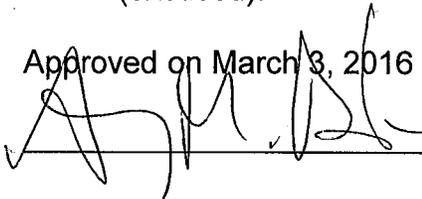
13. Announcements

14. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Vote: Ayes: Abramson, Aguilar-Canabal, Berg, Campbell, Crandall, Martinucci, Soto-Vigil, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Darrow (excused).

Approved on March 3, 2016


_____, Amy Davidson, Secretary