

ANNOTATED AGENDA
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
6:00 PM

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 1404 LE ROY AVE, BERKELEY 94708

JESSE ARREGUIN, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI
DISTRICT 2 – TERRY TAPLIN
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT
DISTRICT 4 – KATE HARRISON

DISTRICT 5 – SOPHIE HAHN
DISTRICT 6 – SUSAN WENGRAF
DISTRICT 7 – VACANT
DISTRICT 8 – MARK HUMBERT

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 6:14 p.m.

Present: Kesarwani, Taplin, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Humbert, Arreguin

Absent: Bartlett

Councilmember Bartlett present at 6:16 p.m.

Councilmember Harrison participated in the meeting remotely pursuant to the Brown Act, as amended by AB 2449.

Land Acknowledgement Statement: *The City of Berkeley recognizes that the community we live in was built on the territory of xučyun (Huchiun (Hooch-yoon)), the ancestral and unceded land of the Chochochenyo (Cho-chen-yo)-speaking Ohlone (Oh-low-nee) people, the ancestors and descendants of the sovereign Verona Band of Alameda County. This land was and continues to be of great importance to all of the Ohlone Tribes and descendants of the Verona Band. As we begin our meeting tonight, we acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants of Berkeley, the documented 5,000-year history of a vibrant community at the West Berkeley Shellmound, and the Ohlone people who continue to reside in the East Bay. We recognize that Berkeley's residents have and continue to benefit from the use and occupation of this unceded stolen land since the City of Berkeley's incorporation in 1878. As stewards of the laws regulating the City of Berkeley, it is not only vital that we recognize the history of this land, but also recognize that the Ohlone people are present members of Berkeley and other East Bay communities today. The City of Berkeley will continue to build relationships with the Lisjan Tribe and to create meaningful actions that uphold the intention of this land acknowledgement.*

Ceremonial Matters:

1. Recognition of the 40th Anniversary of the WEE POETS show on BeTV
2. Adjourned in Memory of Irma Anderson, former Richmond Mayor
3. Adjourned in memory of Doran McGee, Berkeley Artist and Muralist
4. Presentation: Bay Area Housing Finance Authority

City Manager Comments:

The City Manager noted that the portion of Item 6 regarding the start time of City Council meetings was withdrawn, but the date change remained for consideration.

Public Comment by Employee Unions: 2 speakers.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 20 speakers.

Recess 8:04 p.m. – 8:23 p.m.

Action: M/S/C (Harrison/Wengraf) to accept an urgency item from Councilmember Harrison pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) entitled Resolution Granting the Berkeley Repertory Theater \$15,393.29 to Offset the City's Business License Tax on Large Non-profits. Vice-Mayor Wengraf added as a co-sponsor. Added to Consent Calendar.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/C (Bartlett/Taplin) to accept an urgency item from Councilmember Bartlett pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) entitled Urgency Resolution Establishing a Policy Providing for the Continuance of Council District Constituent Services in the Event of Councilmember Resignation, Death or Expulsion. Added to the Action Calendar.

Vote: All Ayes.

Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only: 22 speakers.

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Hahn) to adopt the Consent Calendar in one motion except as indicated.

Vote: All Ayes.

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Urgency Item: Resolution Granting the Berkeley Repertory Theater \$15,393.29 to Offset the City's Business License Tax on Large Non-profits

From: Councilmember Harrison (Author)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to support the Berkeley Repertory Theater (Berkeley Rep) by donating \$15,393.29 to their general operating budget in FY24 and grant them the amount of the tax annually.

Financial Implications: General Fund - \$15,393.29

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Vice-Mayor Wengraf added as a co-sponsor. Adopted Resolution No. 71,204–N.S.

1. **Amending the Miscellaneous CalPERS Contract to (a) Eliminate PEPRA Cost Sharing for Unrepresented Employees (b) Add Paramedic and Limited Term EMT to Safety Category**

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 7,895–N.S. amending the contract between the Board of Administration, California Public Employees' Retirement System, and the City Council for the City of Berkeley (a) pursuant to California Government Code Section 20516 to eliminate the cost share contributions made on behalf of the City by PEPRA members of the Unrepresented Employees group, and (b) pursuant to California Government Code Section 20434 to add the Paramedic and Limited Term Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) classifications under the Safety category.

First Reading Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Harrison, Hahn, Humbert, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett, Wengraf.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Aram Kouyoumdjian, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800

Action: Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 7,895–N.S.

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- 2. At-Will Designations: Employee Relations Manager and Assistant to the City Attorney**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 7,896-N.S. amending Berkeley Municipal Code Section 4.04.120(A) to designate the unrepresented classifications of Employee Relations Manager and Assistant to the City Attorney as at-will.
First Reading Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Harrison, Hahn, Humbert, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Wengraf.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Aram Kouyoumdjian, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800
Action: Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 7,896–N.S.
- 3. Lease Agreement: We Wield The Hammer at 2440 Durant Avenue in the Telegraph-Channing Mall and Garage**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 7,897-N.S. authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with We Wield The Hammer (WWTH), a 501c3 nonprofit organization to use and occupy 2440 Durant Avenue inside the Telegraph-Channing Mall and Garage for a five (5) year lease term with an option to extend for one additional five (5) year term. The initial lease term is anticipated to begin March 1, 2024.
First Reading Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Harrison, Hahn, Humbert, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Wengraf.
Financial Implications: See report.
Contact: Andrew Murray, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 7,897–N.S.
- 4. City of Berkeley’s 2024 State and Federal Legislative Platform**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the City of Berkeley’s 2024 State and Federal Legislative Platform.
Financial Implications: See report.
Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,205–N.S. with Exhibit A (full list) as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 by Mayor Arreguin and further amended by Councilmembers Hahn and Bartlett at the meeting.

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5. Amendments to the Regulations for Alternate Commissioners

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution removing the now dissolved Police Review Commission from the list of designated commissions on which Alternate Commissioners may serve; expanding the list of designated commissions by adding the following five commissions: Community Health Commission, Environment and Climate Commission, Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Commission, Transportation and Infrastructure Commission, and Zero Waste Commission; adding a new requirement for temporary appointments made to any quasi-judicial commissions to two business days prior to the meeting; and rescinding Resolution No. 67,205-N.S.

Financial Implications: None

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,206–N.S.

6. Modifying the 2024 City Council Meeting Schedule

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution modifying the City Council regular meeting schedule for 2024, revising the start time for regular meetings, and rescheduling the April 16, 2024 regular meeting to April 2, 2024.

Financial Implications: None

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,207–N.S. amended to remove reference to changing the start time of meetings and also to change the new meeting date from April 2 to March 26.

7. Grant Application: National Endowment for the Arts Grant for up to \$150,000

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to submit a grant application to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to receive up to \$150,000 for a Civic Arts grant program totaling \$300,000 to be regranted to nonprofit organizations for arts and cultural programming in the City of Berkeley in Fiscal Year 2026; to accept the grant if awarded; and to execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development, (510) 981-7530

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,208–N.S.

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- 8. Contract: Masako Miki Public Artwork Commission for Aquatic Park Pathway Wall**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any necessary amendments with artist Masako Miki for an amount not to exceed \$69,000 for a public art commission of a ceramic tile mural on the 42'-long curved wall located along the San Francisco Bay Trail west of the intersection of Addison Street and Bolivar Drive in Aquatic Park.
Financial Implications: Cultural Trust Fund - \$69,000
Contact: Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development, (510) 981-7530
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,209–N.S.
- 9. Formal Bid Solicitations and Request for Proposals Scheduled for Possible Issuance After Council Approval on February 13, 2024**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Approve the request for proposals or invitation for bids (attached to staff report) that will be, or are planned to be, issued upon final approval by the requesting department or division. All contracts over the City Manager's threshold will be returned to Council for final approval.
Financial Implications: Various Funds - \$90,000
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300
Action: Approved recommendation.
- 10. Contract: Traditions Behavioral Health for Psychiatry Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute a contract with vendor Traditions Behavioral Health to provide psychiatry services through June 30, 2027 in an amount not to exceed \$1,379,400.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Lisa Warhuus, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,210–N.S.
- 11. Contract: CompuCom Systems, Inc. for Professional Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with CompuCom Systems, Inc. for professional services for an amount not to exceed \$300,000 through December 31, 2024.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,211–N.S.

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12. Recommendation on Public Safety/Crime Prevention for Women

From: Commission on the Status of Women

Recommendation: That Council refer to the Council Public Safety Policy Committee to develop plans to implement public safety crime prevention programs to address the current rising crime against women, particularly older women. These plans should include a budget referral to the Council Budget and Finance Committee for consideration in the June budget process.

These plans should include:

1. Developing a plan of safety escorts modeled on the Respect-BART Escorts Program passed by Council in 2003 to address the rash of muggings on Berkeley BART paths (North Berkeley and Ashby). As in that plan, where \$40,500 was approved by Council, the Council Public Safety Policy Committee should identify the current amount of monies needed for funding for this newly developed 2024 plan and Council refer to the June budget process. These safety escorts should be available throughout the entire community of Berkeley upon request. The Council Public Safety Committee should also identify if a RFP need be issued for this purpose;
2. Develop a plan to engage Berkeley community ambassadors working under the Downtown Berkeley Association, Telegraph Business Improvement District and any similar ambassador programs to provide safety escort services upon request through the business districts they serve and nearby residences that can be reached by foot;
3. Explore if the City ride-share funded program, Go-Go Grandparent, should be expanded and in what form to provide ride shares for women concerned about their safety. Consider cost share, if necessary, for some women and working with the ride-share companies to ensure that they watch for the woman to safely reach her door before leaving; Consider the feasibility of lifting age or disability requirements. Identify a budgetary recommendation to be directed to the Council Budget and Finance Committee.
4. Develop a City-wide community forum targeted towards women with a special emphasis on safety and crime prevention for older, vulnerable women. This meeting should be led by the Berkeley Police Department with participation by other safety-related community resources and moderated by an official proposed by the Council Public Safety Committee. The Committee shall recommend that the forum be hybrid, both Zoom and in person. The Committee shall also discuss how City-wide promotion of this public safety crime prevention forum shall be conducted.
5. Consult with the Berkeley Police Department to provide data and other information identifying geographic locations which are high priority for safety escorts. Consult with Berkeley Police Department to secure other information as to where women are most at safety risk and what hours safety escorts, and other recommendations as stated above, be best utilized. The Berkeley Police Department shall provide this information at a Council Public Safety Committee meeting.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Okeya Vance-Dozier, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-7100

Action: Approved recommendation as amended to read as follows.

Refer to the City Manager to analyze and develop recommendations for public safety crime prevention programs to address the current rising crime against women, particularly

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older women. Refer the concepts below from the Commission on the Status of Women to the FY 2025-26 ("June 2024") Budget process.

Consider the following concepts:

1. Developing a plan of safety escorts modeled on the Respect-BART Escorts Program passed by Council in 2003 to address the rash of muggings on Berkeley BART paths (North Berkeley and Ashby). As in that plan, where \$40,500 was approved by Council, the City Manager should identify the current amount of monies needed for funding for this newly developed 2024 plan and Council refer to the June budget process. These safety escorts should be available throughout the entire community of Berkeley upon request. The City Manager should also identify if an RFP needs be issued for this purpose;
 2. Develop a plan to engage Berkeley community ambassadors working under the Downtown Berkeley Association, Telegraph Business Improvement District and any similar ambassador programs to provide safety escort services upon request through the business districts they serve and nearby residences that can be reached by foot;
 3. Explore if the City ride-share funded program, Go-Go Grandparent, should be expanded and in what form to provide ride shares for women concerned about their safety. Consider cost share, if necessary, for some women and working with the ride-share companies to ensure that they watch for the woman to safely reach her door before leaving; Consider the feasibility of lifting age or disability requirements. Identify a budgetary recommendation to be directed to the Council Budget and Finance Committee.
 4. Work with the Commission on the Status of Women and Commission on Aging to organize a City-wide community forum targeted towards women with a special emphasis on safety and crime prevention for older, vulnerable women. This meeting should be led by the Berkeley Police Department with participation by other safety- related community resources.
 5. Consult with the Berkeley Police Department to provide data and other information identifying geographic locations which are high priority for safety escorts. Consult with Berkeley Police Department to secure other information as to where women are most at safety risk and what hours safety escorts, and other recommendations as stated above, be best utilized. The Berkeley Police Department shall provide this information at a Council Public Safety Committee meeting.
- 13. RFP for Development of West Berkeley Service Center** *(Continued from January 16, 2024)*
From: Mayor Arreguin (Author), Councilmember Kesarwani (Author), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Wengraf (Co-Sponsor)
Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the development of the city-owned West Berkeley Service Center, (1900 Sixth Street), to permit site acquisition and construction of a 100-percent affordable housing project with the following key features: -Space on the ground floor of the building for administrative offices, community space and supportive services as currently provided by the City; -Maximizing the number of units under the existing

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zoning Mixed Use-Residential (MU-R) in conjunction with state law AB 1763 (2019); - A mix of unit sizes, including studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom units; -Require RFP applicants to include a plan for services provision and integration for the population(s) they propose to serve; -A preference for serving seniors and adults with mental health conditions while maintaining flexibility to serve other populations based on availability of funding.

The City Manager should also consider the feasibility of the following elements in the program design: -Universally designed housing for older adults with a portion of the units for assisted living and memory care; -A board and care facility with a minimum of 20 beds including space for staff and services; -Explore available federal, state, regional, local and private funding sources to finance the construction of a housing project, including with the potential target populations.

The issuance of an RFP should be timed to happen soon after funding for the development has been identified.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, (510) 981-7100

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Kesarwani as follows.

Refer to the City Manager to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) or Request for Qualifications (RFQ), once a viable local funding source(s) has been identified, for the development of the city-owned West Berkeley Service Center, (1900 Sixth Street), to permit site acquisition and construction of a 100-percent affordable housing project with the following key features:

- Space on the ground floor of the building for administrative offices, community space and supportive services as currently provided by the City;
- Maximizing the number of units under the existing zoning Mixed Use-Residential (MU-R) in conjunction with state law AB 1763 (2019);
- A mix of unit sizes, including studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom units;
- Require RFP applicants to include a plan for services provision and integration for the population(s) they propose to serve;
- A preference for serving seniors with cognitive disabilities and adults with mental health conditions while maintaining flexibility to serve other populations based on availability of funding; and
- A board and care facility with a minimum of 20 beds including space for staff and services, unless it is determined that viable funding sources are not available.

The City Manager should also consider the feasibility of the following elements in the program design:

- Universally designed housing for older adults;
- Consider available federal, state, regional, local and private funding sources to finance the construction of a housing project, including with the potential target populations.

The issuance of an RFP should be timed to happen soon after the City has identified local funding for the development that could potentially be made available via the RFP/RFQ.

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14. Establishing a Black Arts and Culture District in the Adeline Corridor

From: Councilmember Bartlett (Author), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution designating the Adeline Corridor as the Black Arts and Culture District. Include members of Healthy Black Families and Equitable Black Berkeley in the Planning Committee to emphasize community involvement and focus on arts, culture, and well-being for South Berkeley residents. Establish a Black Arts and Culture Center.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Ben Bartlett, Councilmember, District 3, (510) 981-7130

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,212–N.S. as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Bartlett.

Action Calendar – Public Hearings

15. Appeal of Landmarks Preservation Commission Decision – Approval of Structural Alteration Permit #LMSAP22022-0005 for 1960 San Antonio Avenue/645 Arlington Avenue- Spring Estate

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution affirming the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to approve a Structural Alteration Permit (SAP) to restore the terrace, remove the non-historic building addition, and repair railings and walkways of the Spring mansion; demolish the detached, non-historic garage and construct a new ten-car garage; demolish and replace the non-historic driveway, retaining walls and stairs on the east side of the property; construct a new, detached pool house; excavate and install a new swimming pool; and complete landscape improvements at a City Landmark residential property in the Hillside neighborhood, contingent upon rehabilitation of the historic gymnasium building, and dismiss the appeal.

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

Public Testimony: The Mayor opened the public hearing. 4 speakers.

M/S/C (Arreguin/Taplin) to close the public hearing.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/C (Hahn/Wengraf) to adopt Resolution No. 71,213–N.S. to adopt a Resolution affirming the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to approve a Structural Alteration Permit (SAP) to restore the terrace, remove the non-historic building addition, and repair railings and walkways of the Spring mansion; demolish the detached, non-historic garage and construct a new ten-car garage; demolish and replace the non-historic driveway, retaining walls and stairs on the east side of the property; construct a new, detached pool house; excavate and install a new swimming pool; and complete landscape improvements at a City Landmark residential property in the Hillside neighborhood; modify condition #16 to require the applicant to bring the gymnasium into “good repair” as defined in BMC Section 3.24.290(B) and to submit a plan for the repairs to the gymnasium prior to Landmarks plan check approval of any building permits for new buildings or structures; to strike reference to the gymnasium from condition #15, and dismiss the appeal.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action Calendar – New Business

Action: M/S/Failed (Arreguin/Kesarwani) to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Bartlett, Hahn, Arreguin; Noes – Taplin, Harrison, Wengraf, Humbert.

Action: M/S/Carried (Harrison/Taplin) to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:15 p.m.; and to refer Item 16 to the Agenda & Rules Committee for scheduling.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action Calendar – New Business

Urgency Item: Urgency Resolution Establishing a Policy Providing for the Continuance of Council District Constituent Services in the Event of Councilmember Resignation, Death or Expulsion

From: Councilmember Bartlett (Author), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution establishing a policy providing for the continuance of District constituent services in the event of Councilmember death, resignation, or expulsion.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Ben Bartlett, Councilmember, District 3, (510) 981-7130

Action: M/S/C (Taplin/Kesarwani) to adopt Resolution No. 71,214–N.S. as amended by Councilmember Hahn with the Resolved clauses to read as follows.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that in the event of a vacancy in any Council District, due to resignation, death, or for any other reason, existing staff for such District shall continue in their positions during the interim period, in an at-will status, under the supervision and control of the Office of the Mayor. At such time as a new District Councilmember is sworn into office, such new Councilmember may choose to continue, adjust, or end the employment of any Continuing District Office staff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in the event of a vacancy in the office of the Mayor for any reason, Mayor’s Office staff shall continue in an at-will status, under the same terms as Continuing District Office staff, under the supervision and control of the Vice Mayor or other Interim Mayor.

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED that the budget of a vacant Council District Office or of a vacant Mayor’s Office shall be continued as if such Councilmember or Mayor were still in office and shall be managed and disbursed under the direction and control of the Mayor, Vice Mayor or other Interim Mayor, as applicable, to further the purposes of the District or Mayor’s office experiencing a vacancy.

Vote: All Ayes.

16. Dissolution of the Human Welfare and Community Action Commission and the Peace and Justice Commission; and, establishment of the Berkeley Community Action Agency Commission

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt first reading of an Ordinance to: 1. Repeal Chapter 3.68, Peace and Justice Commission; and, 2. Repeal Chapter 3.78, Human Welfare and Community Action Commission; and, 3. Establish the Berkeley Community Action Agency Commission with Chapter 3.70

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Lisa Warhuus, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

Action: Referred to the Agenda & Rules Committee for future scheduling.

Information Reports

17. Small Sites Program Update

From: City Manager

Contact: Lisa Warhuus, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

Action: Received and filed.

18. Bay Area Housing Finance Authority and 2024 Regional Affordable Housing Bond

From: City Manager

Contact: Lisa Warhuus, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

Action: Received and filed.

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

Communications

Item #16: Dissolution of the Human Welfare and Community Action Commission and the Peace and Justice Commission; and, establishment of the Berkeley

1. Human Welfare Community Action Commission (HWCAC)
2. Peace and Justice Commission (2)
3. Janice Schroeder

Center Street Greenway & Strawberry Creek

4. Kirstin Miller on behalf of Ecocity Builders

Panoramic Hill Emergency Access/Egress

5. Michael Kelly, on behalf of the Panoramic Hill Association

Southside Rezoning

6. Corey Smith

Chess Club

7. Carol Denney

AC Transit

8. Sandhya Hermon
9. Morry Hermon
10. Kabir Hermon

- 11. Arjun Hermon
- 12. Anne-Lise Francois

United Artist Theater

- 13. Laura Fujii
- 14. Robert Wilkinson
- 15. Melanie Lawrence
- 16. Lori Pottinger
- 17. Oakland Heritage Alliance

Israel Military Aid

- 18. Stephen Slauson

Homelessness

- 19. Tom Wolfman
- 20. Karima Cammell

Tree Removal

- 21. Carol Denney

Scooter Safety

- 22. Virginia Browning
- 23. Sean
- 24. Cindi Goldberg

EBMUD Repaving

- 25. Greg Couch
- 26. East Bay Municipal Utility District

People's Park

- 27. Sophia Faaland
- 28. Samuel Baker
- 29. 10 similarly-worded form letters

Natural Gas Alternatives

- 30. G. Richard Raab

Ohlone Bikeway

- 31. Carol Hirth

Mayor Arreguin

- 32. Elana Auerbach
- 33. Kira Findling

Councilmember Robinson

34. Barbara Gilbert

Waterfront Specific Plan

35. Cal Sailing Club

Berkeley Mayoral Candidates

36. Downtown Berkeley Association

Fulton-Woolsey Bike Boulevard

37. Walk Bike Berkeley

38. David Hoffman (2)

39. Valerie Young

No Subject

40. Michele Shipp

Student Project

41. Akshat Pant

Street Paving

42. Kathleen Davis

Downtown Affordable Housing

43. Berkeley Chamber of Commerce

URL's Only

44. Vivian Warkentin (2)

Gaza/Israel

45. Jennifer Fechner

46. Kim Friedman

47. Aaron Katler

48. Eleanor Wang

49. Hillary Kilimnik

50. Anna Henry

51. Moni Law (3)

52. Daniel Frydman

53. Aliza Craimer Elias

54. Rachel

55. Susanne DeWitt

56. Summer Brenner

57. Hillary Kllimnik

58. Anna Henry

59. Rosie Grady

60. Daniel Zilberman

61. Diana Bohn

62. Candice Schott

63. Jon Jackson
64. Monika Mann
65. Jacob Pincus
66. Dorothea Dorenz (3)
67. Imtiaz Ghori
68. Aaron Katler
69. 14 similarly-worded form letters

Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

Urgency Resolution: FY 2024 Business License Tax on Large Non-profits

70. Urgency item, submitted by Councilmember Harrison

Item #13: RFP for Development of West Berkeley Service Center

71. Supplemental material, submitted by Councilmember Kesarwani and Mayor Arreguin

Item #15: Appeal of Landmarks Preservation Commission Decision – Approval of Structural Alteration Permit #LMSAP22022-0005 for 1960 San Antonio Avenue/645 Arlington Avenue- Spring Estate

72. Abbas Mash (3)

Item #16: Dissolution of the Human Welfare and Community Action Commission and the Peace and Justice Commission; and, establishment of the Berkeley Community Action Agency Commission

73. Janice Schroeder

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Item #4: City of Berkeley's 2024 State and Federal Legislative Platform

74. Revised material, submitted by Mayor Arreguin

Item #6: Modifying the 2024 City Council Meeting Schedule

75. Kevin Burke
76. Phoebe Thomas Sorgen
77. Maria Yates
78. Alfred Twu (2)
79. Negeen Mosaed
80. Diana Bohn
81. Charlene Woodcock
82. Alma Thompson
83. Vincent Casalaina
84. Cindy Shamban
85. James Mcfadden
86. Carla Woodworth
87. Willie Phillips
88. JP Massar
89. Russ Greene
90. Alexander Stec
91. Carol Berkenkotter
92. Rob Wrenn

- 93. Larry Snyder
- 94. Sarah Bell, on behalf of East Bay YIMBY

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- 95. Supplemental material, submitted by Councilmember Bartlett

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- 96. John Newton

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- 97. Grace Morizawa, Chair, Peace and Justice Commission
- 98. Nikki Sachs
- 99. Mary-Claire Katz, Human Welfare Community Action Commission

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- 100. Urgency resolution, submitted by Councilmember Bartlett

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- 101. Sabyl Landrum, on behalf of Clean Slate

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- 102. Laila Hamidi
- 103. Ann Garrison
- 104. Erika Andersen
- 105. Erin Diehm
- 106. Joe Liesner
- 107. Moni Law
- 108. Ruth Morgan
- 109. Max Ventura
- 110. Aimee Baldwin
- 111. Elana Auerbach
- 112. Avery Arbaugh, on behalf of Cal Berkeley Democrats
- 113. Nikki Sachs
- 114. Chrissy Hoffman
- 115. Erin Diehm
- 116. Tom Luce
- 117. Willie Phillips
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- 120. Virginia Browning
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- 122. Presentation, submitted by Planning and Development
- 123. Thea Daniels

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- 124. Barbara Gilbert

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- 125. Presentation: Bay Area Housing Finance Authority

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- 126. Eids Television – Mohamed Eid Abdallah