



Housing Advisory Commission

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION Monday, April 10, 2023

APPROVED MINUTES

Special Meeting
Monday, April 10, 2023
7:07pm

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street

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1. Roll Call

- a. Present: Xavier Johnson, Mari Mendonca, Keyanna Ortiz-Cedeno, Alexandria Rodriguez, Debbie Potter, Leah Simon-Weisberg.
- b. Absent: Nico Calavita (unexcused), Sara Fain (excused).
- c. Staff Present: Anna Cash, Mariela Herrick.
- d. Commissioners in attendance: 6 of 7
- e. Members of the public: 1
- f. Public Speakers: 1

2. Land Acknowledgement (Attachment 1)

3. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/ Mendonca) to approve the agenda.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg.
Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

4. Public Comment

Public Comment: 0 speakers.

5. Approval of the March 2, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes (Attachment 2)

Action: M/S/C (Johnson/ Simon-Weisberg) to approve the March 2, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None.
Abstain: Ortiz-Cedeno. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

6. Recommend the City Council adopt the City of Berkeley’s Draft Annual Action Plan (AAP) PY 2023 for Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) – All/Staff (Attachment 3)

Public Comment: 1 speaker.

Action: M/S/C (Johnson/Simon-Weisberg) to recommend that City Council approve the staff recommendation of the draft annual action plan.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

Action: M/S/C (Rodriguez/Ortiz-Cedeno) to recommend that City Council direct Staff to coordinate a standing presentation at HAC meetings from HUD-funded vendors, as well as from participants served by those programs.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

7. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Subcommittees – All/Staff

a. Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Subcommittee

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg / Mendonca) to recommend that Commissioners Johnson, Mendonca, and Potter serve on the interim HTF Subcommittee until the June HAC meeting.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

b. Public Facilities Improvements NOFA Applications Review Subcommittee

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Johnson) to recommend that Commissioners Ortiz-Cedeno, Mendonca, Rodriguez serve on the interim Public Facilities Improvements NOFA Applications Review Subcommittee until the June HAC meeting.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

8. Update on and Possible Action on Fair Access and Transparency Ordinance Subcommittee – Subcommittee

M/S/C (Rodriguez/Mendonca) to extend the Fair Access and Transparency Ordinance subcommittee until August 29, 2023, an additional 90 days from its original time period, with the same objective to draft a Fair Access and Transparency Ordinance.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

9. Update on Council Items (Future Dates Subject to Change)

- a. Funding Recommendation and Joint Homekey Application for the University Inn at 1461 University (3/21/23)
- b. Amending the Program Year 2021 (PY2021) Annual Action Plan to Accept HOME-American Rescue Plan Funds (3/21/23)
- c. Budget Referral: Post COVID-19 Rental Assistance/Anti-Displacement (3/21/23)
- d. Referring \$579,000 to the June 2023 Budget Process for Staffing Costs Associated with Acquisition of and Prevention of Displacement from Multi-Family Housing (4/11/23)
- e. Budget Referral: Funds to Study Berkeley's Affordable and Social Housing Needs and Programmatic and Funding Opportunities (4/11/23)

10. Announcements/Information Items

11. Future Items

12. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Johnson/ Mendonca) to adjourn at 9:07pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeno, Rodriguez, Potter, Simon-Weisberg. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Calavita (unexcused), Fain (excused).

Approved: _____, *Anna Cash*, Anna Cash, Secretary