

**ANNOTATED AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023
3:00 PM**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 1404 LE ROY AVE, BERKELEY, CA 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 – RIGEL ROBINSON
DISTRICT 8 – MARK HUMBERT

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 3:03 p.m.

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

Absent: Bartlett

Councilmember Bartlett present at 3:38 p.m.

Action Calendar – Public Hearing

1. North Berkeley BART Objective Design Standards

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion adopt a Resolution approving the North Berkeley Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Objective Design Standards (ODS).

Financial Implications: See report

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

Public Testimony: The Mayor opened the public hearing. 35 speakers.

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/Failed (Harrison/Hahn) to approve the standards as submitted by the City Manager in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 amended as follows: On the ornamentation, accept the amendment to require facades with ornaments on 5% of the wall shall eliminate requirements to have breaks on those facades in the affordable housing buildings.

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

Action: M/S/Carried (Kesarwani/Humbert) to adopt Resolution No. 71,130–N.S. approving the objective design standards as submitted by the City Manager in Supplemental Communications Packet #2.

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

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Robinson) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Communications

- None

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Item #1: North Berkeley BART Objective Design Standards

1. Jenna Fahle
2. Chris Lee-Egan
3. Adam Rogers

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4. Revised material, submitted by Planning and Development
5. AJ Cho
6. Michael Katz
7. Charles Siegel, on behalf of Walk Bike Berkeley
8. Megan Nguyen, on behalf of East Bay Housing Organization
9. Alfred Twu
10. Gerry Tierney (2)
11. Clifford Fred
12. David Lerman
13. Peggy Radel

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14. Ann May
15. Chris Gilbert
16. Claire Kahane
17. Cheryl Brewster
18. Tamara Birdsall
19. Daniel Dong
20. Carol and Bruce Feldman
21. Carla Woodworth
22. Wei-bing Chen
23. Michael Frantz
24. Virginia Browning
25. Meryl Siegal
26. Nell Friedman
27. Virginia Browning
28. Sperberstein
29. Kevin James
30. Sam Dorman
31. Mitali Ganguly
32. Aimee Baldwin
33. David Mendelsohn
34. Katherine Eckhouse (2)

35. Toni Mester

36. Lois Frances Smith

37. Roberta Silverstien
38. T. Anne Richards
39. Victoria Eisen (2)
40. Christopher Kroll
41. S. Entsistle
42. Meilan Ho
43. Elizabeth Kowal
44. Laureen O'Brien
45. Sharon Richey
46. Joel Myerson
47. Amanda Loudin
48. Oskar
49. Jeanne Schuman
50. David Helfant and Elliott Abrams
51. 15 similarly-worded form letters