

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

Thursday, February 28, 2019

6:00 P.M.

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

JESSE ARREGUIN, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI
DISTRICT 2 – CHERYL DAVILA
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT
DISTRICT 4 – KATE HARRISON

DISTRICT 5 – SOPHIE HAHN
DISTRICT 6 – SUSAN WENGRAF
DISTRICT 7 – RIGEL ROBINSON
DISTRICT 8 – LORI DROSTE

Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 6:09 p.m.

Present: Bartlett, Davila, Droste, Hahn, Harrison, Kesarwani, Robinson, Wengraf, Arreguin.

Absent: None.

Action Calendar – New Business

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1. Referral Responses: Managing Recreational Vehicle (RV) Parking

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Review options provided by City staff in the report and take one of the following actions:

1. Refer the recommendations in Option A (in the staff report), amending existing codes to limit RVs parking in the City of Berkeley for extended periods of time and developing an online RV Permitting system, to the City Manager.

-AND/OR-

2. Adopt the recommendations provided in Option B (in the staff report), prohibiting parking campers and RVs during certain hours and creating additional resources for people living in RVs, and adopt the first reading of two ordinances amending Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 12.76 and BMC Section 14.40.120 and refer any additional costs to the FY20-21 Budget process.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager's Office, 981-7000

Action: 78 speakers. M/S/Failed (Davila/Harrison) to refer the item to the Health, Life Enrichment, Equity and Community Committee.

Vote: Ayes – Davila, Harrison; Noes – Kesarwani, Bartlett, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Arreguin; Abstain – Droste.

Action: M/S/Carried (Arreguin/Kesarwani) to:

- 1) Adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 7,643-N.S. (BMC Section 14.40.120) regarding stopping, standing or parking restricted or prohibited on certain streets. Second reading scheduled for March 26, 2019. The implementation of the ordinance will be preceded by efforts such as outreach efforts, noticing, flexible funding, and assisting individuals to get stable or rehoused.
- 2) Refer to the City Manager to amend existing codes to prohibit RV parking in the City of Berkeley for extended periods of time and developing an online RV Permitting system that limits the total amount of time any RV or registered owner of an RV parks their vehicle on the City's right-of-way or City-owned off-street parking lots in a calendar year. Permits under the new system should be distributed throughout the city.
- 3) Council will continue to work with staff to identify and develop a temporary RV site that serves highly vulnerable populations, including families with young children attending Berkeley schools, as well as a regional long-term non-profit RV site.
- 4) Refer to the City manager to consider a program to allow private entities to have RVs on their property for overnight camping, with an emphasis on persons utilizing the coordinated entry system.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Bartlett, Hahn, Wengraf, Droste, Arreguin; Noes – Davila, Harrison, Robinson.

Recess 9:11 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Action Calendar – New Business

2. Clean and Livable Commons Initiative

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Provide guidance on actions the City Manager should take to enhance livability in Berkeley.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager's Office, 981-7000

Action: 13 speakers. M/S/C (Arreguin/Kesarwani) to provide direction to the City Manager to pursue the following items:

1. Add lighting, cameras and signs at strategic locations in Berkeley to help deter illegal dumping.
2. Create a Livable Commons Action Team, made up of new staff in the Public Works, Parks, HHCS and City Manager's office to increase the City's ability to quickly address debris and other negative impacts related to homeless encampments.
3. Add portable toilets and a second homeless locker program near encampments.
4. Create a citizen awareness campaign to publicize these efforts and educate the public regarding illegal dumping and the best practices or ways to provide donations to homeless encampments.
5. Explore increasing the penalties for illegal dumping.
6. Refer to the City Manager and the budget process to expand the streets clean up employment program.
7. Explore short-term pump-out options.

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Davila, Bartlett, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Droste, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain - None; Absent – Harrison.

Councilmember Harrison absent 9:30 p.m. – 10:33 p.m.

Adjournment

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

Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Davila, Bartlett, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Droste, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain - None; Absent – Harrison.

Adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Communications

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1. Eric Friedman

Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

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2. Andrea Segall

3. Laurie Nardinelli
4. Scott Huffman
5. John Niles
6. Kim Nemirow
7. Iris Starr
8. Eugene Bolotin
9. M. Kandarian
10. Tani Macdonald
11. Eva Herzer
12. Meryl Siegal
13. Carly Ebenstein and Steve LaMond
14. Jim Harleen
15. William Tomaszewski (4)
16. Sheila Goldmacher
17. Onica Kuch

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18. Interfaith Council of Alameda County, submitted by Councilmember Davila
19. Presentation, submitted by the City Manager's Office
20. Steven Donaldson, on behalf of 50+ Business' in the West Berkeley area
21. Jessica Jennings
22. Clark Sullivan
23. Shaun Barraca
24. Julie Ann Schaul (4)
25. Isis Feral
26. Jan Austerlitz
27. David Pope
28. Lisa Camasi
29. Alfred Twu
30. Jodi Ravel
31. Beth Rockmill
32. Diana Bohn
33. Amin Torabi
34. Erik Holland
35. Elizabeth Martin
36. Adam Rogers
37. Stephanie Thomas
38. Christine Mitchell
39. David Arkin on behalf of Sharon Lee, Executive Director of Low Income Housing Institute