



HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION
Special Meeting
Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Housing Advisory Commission

Time: 7:07 pm

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street – Berkeley
Acting Secretary – Mike Uberti, (510) 981-5114

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Present: Xavier Johnson, Thomas Lord, Maryann Sargent, Alex Sharenko, Leah Simon-Weisberg, Igor Tregub, and Marian Wolfe.

Absent: Darrell Owens (unexcused) and Amir Wright (unexcused)

Commissioners in attendance: 7 of 9

Staff Present: Rhianna Babka, Mike Uberti, Jenny Wyant

Members of the public in attendance: 19

Public Speakers: 18

2. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Sharenko/Tregub) to approve the agenda.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

3. Public Comment

There were no speakers during public comment.

4. Approval of the March 7, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Tregub/Lord) to approve the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

5. Discussion and Possible Action to Revise the Adopted Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subcommittee Recommendations for FY2020 Community Agency Request for Proposals Funding

Public Speakers: 18

Action: M/S/C (Tregub/Sharenko) to extend the meeting 15 minutes to 9:30pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

Action: M/S/C (Johnson/Tregub) to extend the meeting 30 minutes to 10:00pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: Lord. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Tregub) to revise the March 7, 2019 recommendation to City Council to support the CDBG subcommittee's recommendations for the FY 2020 Community Agency Request for Proposals, with the following amendments:

1. Adjust the CDBG Subcommittee funding recommendations as follows:
 - a. Fund Inter-City Services' Employment, Training and Education program at \$100,000 (General Fund, Public Services)
 - b. Recommend no funding for YMCA of the East Bay's Early Childhood Apprentice program (General Funds, Public Services);
 - c. Fund Rebuilding Together East Bay-North's Safe Home Project at \$120,750 (CDBG, Housing Services);
 - d. Fund Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley's Housing Rehabilitation Grant program at \$129,250 (CDBG, Housing Services);
 - e. Fund Rebuilding Together East Bay-North's Community Facility Improvement program at \$35,300 (CDBG, Public Facilities);
 - f. Fund the City of Berkeley Community Facilities RFP at \$35,300; and
2. Recommend to establish a standard of accountability in community agency contracts that is achievable and worthy of the funding; and
3. Recommend to Council to allocate additional funds to the community agency process to expand funding for similar programs in the future.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: Lord. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

6. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Sharenko/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting at 9:51pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Tregub, and Wolfe. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unexcused) and Wright (unexcused).

Approved on April 4, 2019

Mike Uberti, Acting Secretary