



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes

7:00pm
Zoom Webinar

Regular Meeting
October 22, 2020

Members of the Public Present: Margaret Fine, Andrea Zeppa, Bekka Fink, Carol Morasivic, Elana Auerbach, Caroline de Bie

Staff Present: Fawn Downs, Steve Grolnic-McClurg, Jamie Works-Wright, Lisa Warhuus

1. Call to Order at 7:04pm

Commissioners Present: Ann Hawkins, Cheryl Davila, Paul Kealoha-Blake, Edward Opton (8:02), Andrea Prichett **Absent:** Maria Moore

2. Preliminary Matters

A. Approval of the October 22, 2020 Agenda

**M/S/C (Prichett, Davila) Motion to approve the October 22, 2020 Agenda–
PASSED**

Ayes: Hawkins, Davila, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;
Absent: Moore, Opton

B. Public Comment – Margaret Fine, Elana Auerbach, Bekka Fink and Carol Morasivic

C. Approval of the September 24, 2020 Minutes

**M/S/C (Davila, Kealoha-Blake) Motion to approve the September 24, 2020 minutes
PASSED**

Ayes: Hawkins, Davila, Kealoha-Blake, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None;
Absent: Moore, Opton

3. Discussion of emergency mental health crisis response services, including models and funding of mental health crisis services

a) **Update on Special Care unit (SCU) project and the role of MHC in that process–
Presentation by Dr. Lisa Warhuus – No Motion**

b) **Update of RFP Process – No Motion**

c) **Status of Subcommittee on Emergency Mental Health Response – Motion
Withdrawn**

- d) Report and data on Emergency Mental Health Response in Berkeley including HOTT, MCT and TOT (from March to most recent)
M/S/C/ (Opton, Davila) Move that the committee request the division through Steven, to resume provision of the same type of information that was regularly provided prior to March of this year “2020”. Second is that we request that Steven and the division provide us with a list of the additional types of information that exist within the division, which maybe pertinent to the committees work and useful if we had access to it. Request Steven to get the retro active data from Alameda County for the months of March through September.

PASSED

Ayes: Hawkins, Davila, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Moore, Kealoha-Blake

4. Current efforts to meet the Emergency Mental Health need of Berkeley residents
A. Staffing/ hiring – No Motion
B. Access to Service – No Motion
C. Outreach – No Motion
5. Discussion and Possible Action on Subcommittee Reports
A. Mobile Crisis Subcommittee Report – No report
6. Prioritize Agenda Items of December Meeting - Tabled
7. Adjournment – 9:03pm
M/S/C (Davila, Opton) Motion to adjourn the meeting –
PASSED
Ayes: Hawkins, Davila, Opton, Prichett **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Moore, Kealoha-Blake

Minutes submitted by: _____
Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary