



Human Welfare and Community Action Commission

DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

6:30 PM

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ATTEND AT TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.

MEETING LOCATION #1

2180 Milvia Street
Berkeley, CA 94704

MEETING LOCATION #2

1447 Kains Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94702

Preliminary Matters

1. Roll Call
Present: Behm-Steinberg, Lara Cruz, Lippman
Absent: Bohn
Quorum: 3 (Attended: 3)
Staff Present: Mary-Claire Katz, Rhianna Babka
Public Present: 2
2. Agenda Approval
No action taken.
3. Public Comment: None.

Update/Action Items

The Commission may take action related to any subject listed on the agenda, except where noted.

Berkeley Community Action Agency Board Business

1. Approve minutes from the 3/6/2024 Regular Meeting (Attachment A) – All
Action: M/S/C (Behm-Steinberg/Lippman) to approve the minutes from the 3/6/2024 regular meeting with edits.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Behm-Steinberg, Lara Cruz, Lippman. Noes –None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bohn.
2. Election of Low-Income Commissioners
Action: M/S/C (Lippman/Lara Criz) to elect Richard Gaona as a low-income representative.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Behm-Steinberg, Lara Cruz, Lippman. Noes –None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bohn.

3. Discussion of possible shift in position on tri-partite board for three existing commissioners – Behm-Steinberg
No action taken.
4. HWCAC Reform and Merger Update (Attachment B) – Staff
No action taken.
5. Discussion of FY25-FY28 Community Agency Request for Proposal (RFP) and HWCAC Council Presentation on May 7, 2024 – Staff
Commissioner Lara Cruz will present at the Council meeting regarding the HWCAC RFP recommendations.
6. 2024 HWCAC Strategic Plan Update (Attachment C) – All
No action taken.
7. Discussion of BCAA response to CA State Letter to BCAA RE: 45-Day Notice of Anticipated High-Risk Designation (Attachment D) – Chair and Staff
No action taken.
8. Review City of Berkeley funded agency Program and Financial reports (Attachment E) – Staff
 - a. Multicultural Institute program and financial reports
No action taken.

Other Discussion Items

9. Discussion and possible action on City ADA violations– Behm-Steinberg
Public Comment: 1
10. Discussion of Fire Marshal's report and its implications - (Attachment F) –Behm-Steinberg
No action taken.
11. Discussion and possible action on San Pablo Ave. plan and Ohlone bike path in light of the Community Risk Assessment - Behm-Steinberg
No action taken.
12. Discussion on Public Reverse Mortgage – (Attachment G) – Behm-Steinberg
No action taken.
13. Discussion and possible action on holding hybrid Commission meetings (Attachment H) – Behm-Steinberg
No action taken.
14. Review latest City Council meeting agenda
No action taken.
15. Announcements

None.

16. Future Agenda Items
No action taken.

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Lippman/Lara Cruz) to adjourn at 8:30PM.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Behm-Steinberg, Lara Cruz, Lippman. Noes –None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bohn.

Attachments

- A. Draft Minutes of the 3/6/2024 Meeting
- B. HWCAC Reform Ordinance
- C. HWCAC Strategic Plan
- D. CA State Letter to BCAA
- E. Program and financial reports from Multicultural Institute
- F. City of Berkeley Fire Marshal's Report, FY 2024
- G. Reverse Mortgage Presentation
- H. Draft Council items regarding the reestablishment of hybrid commission meetings

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