

BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA & RULES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2022

2:30 P.M.

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Sophie Hahn and Susan Wengraf

Alternate: Councilmember Kate Harrison

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and the state declared emergency, this meeting will be conducted exclusively through teleconference and Zoom videoconference. The COVID-19 state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and presents imminent risks to the health of the attendees. Therefore, no physical meeting location will be available.

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Roll Call: 2:34 p.m. All present.

Public Comment – 3 speakers

Review of Agendas

1. **Approval of Minutes: May 16, 2022**
Action: M/S/C (Wengraf/Hahn) to approve the minutes of 5/16/22.
Vote: All Ayes.
2. **Review and Approve Draft Agenda:**
 - a. 6/14/22 – 6:00 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting
Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Hahn) to approve the agenda of 6/14/22 with the changes noted below.
 - *Item Added: Measure GG Tax Rate (City Manager) – consent calendar*
 - *Item Added: Library Services Tax Rate (City Manager) – consent calendar*
 - *Item Added: City Website (Hahn) – consent calendar*
 - *Item Added: Ballot Measure (Harrison) – action calendar*
 - *Item Added: Budget Referral (Harrison) – action calendar*
 - *Item 24 SB 1389 (Robinson) – Mayor Arreguin added as a co-sponsor*
 - *Item 28 Sugar-Sweetened Beverages (Commission) – Moved to Consent Calendar***Vote:** All Ayes.
3. **Selection of Item for the Berkeley Considers Online Engagement Portal**
- None Selected
4. **Adjournments In Memory** – None

Scheduling

5. **Council Worksessions Schedule** – received and filed
6. **Council Referrals to Agenda Committee for Scheduling** – received and filed
7. **Land Use Calendar** – received and filed

Referred Items for Review

8. **Discussion Regarding Impact of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) on Meetings of Legislative Bodies**
Action: 2 speakers. No action taken.

9. Preliminary Analysis of Return to In-Person Meetings of City Legislative Bodies

Action: 1 speaker. Discussion of hybrid meetings and current health impacts based on high rate of COVID-19 transmission. M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to recommend that hybrid City Council meetings be suspended until the Agenda & Rules Committee and the City Manager determine it is safe and appropriate to resume.

Vote: All Ayes.

Unscheduled Items

10. Discussion Regarding Design and Strengthening of Policy Committee Process and Structure (Including Budget Referrals)

11. Strengthening and Supporting City Commissions: Guidance on the Development of Legislative Proposals

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Agenda & Rules Committee meeting held on May 31, 2022.

Mark Numainville, City Clerk

Communications

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