



Berkeley Homeless
Services Panel of Experts

MEETING MINUTES

September 1, 2021

1. **Roll Call:** 7:01 PM
Present: Marasovic, Bookstein, Carrasco, Kealoha-Blake (absent until 7:07 PM), Scheider.
Absent: None.
Staff: Jacobs, Carnegie, Wu, Radu.
Council: None.
Public: 0
2. Comments from the Public: None.

Update/Action Items

3. Approval of Minutes from July 7, 2021.

Action: M/S/C Bookstein/Scheider move to approve the minutes of July 7, 2021 as written.

Vote: *Ayes:* Marasovic, Bookstein, Carrasco, Scheider.
Noes: None. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* Kealoha-Blake.

4. Agenda Approval.

Action: M/S/C Marasovic/Scheider move to approve the agenda as amended to move item 8 to item 6.

Vote: *Ayes:* Marasovic, Bookstein, Carrasco, Scheider.
Noes: None. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* Kealoha-Blake.

5. Overview of the Upcoming Housing Element Update and Request to Identify a Member to Participate in the Public Outreach Effort.

Action: M/S/C Marasovic/Kealoha-Blake move to approve panelists Holly Scheider, Denah Bookstein, and Carole Marasovic—with the understanding that the latter will also be seeking to be the representative for the Homeless Commission—as the Housing Element Representatives.

Vote: *Ayes:* Marasovic, Bookstein, Carrasco, Kealoha-Blake, Scheider.
Noes: None. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* None.

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6. Discussion on sidewalk ordinance enforcement, unsheltered persons move from freeway to other locations, status of persons at Horizon Transitional Village, and polarization in addressing homeless issues in the community.

Discussion; no action taken.

7. Chair update.

Discussion; no action taken.

Action: M/S/C Marasovic/Carrasco move to extend the meeting for 15 minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Marasovic, Bookstein, Carrasco, Kealoha-Blake, Scheider.
Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

8. Staff update including update on vaccination stats and number of COVID-positive cases in shelters and among the unsheltered; Commission discussion on same.

Discussion; no action taken.

9. Discussion on work conducted on Homeless Commission and incorporation of that policy work into HSPE following consolidation.

Discussion; no action taken.

10. Discussion on Measure P allocation planning as a year-long process based on community needs and services gaps.

Action: M/S/C Marasovic/Kealoha-Blake move to have city council refer to the city manager to identify a COVID-19 safe means for the Homeless Services Panel of Experts—to be consolidated with the Homeless Commission—to conduct site visits so that we can provide thorough assessments of city programs.

Vote: Ayes: Marasovic, Carrasco, Kealoha-Blake, Scheider.
Noes: Bookstein. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

11. Discussion of framework of annual report.

Discussion; no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Minutes Approved on: _____

Josh Jacobs, Commission Secretary: _____