

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, June 6, 2022
10:30 AM**

Committee Members:

Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani, Terry Taplin, and Susan Wengraf
Alternate: Councilmember Sophie Hahn

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AGENDA

Roll Call: 10:35 a.m. All Ayes.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 3 speakers.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - May 16, 2022

Action: M/S/C (Wengraf/Taplin) to approve the May 16, 2022 minutes.

Vote: All Ayes

Committee Action Items

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. The Chair will determine the number of persons interested in speaking on each item. Up to ten (10) speakers may speak for two minutes. If there are more than ten persons interested in speaking, the Chair may limit the public comment for all speakers to one minute per speaker. Speakers are permitted to yield their time to one other speaker, however no one speaker shall have more than four minutes.

Following review and discussion of the items listed below, the Committee may continue an item to a future committee meeting, or refer the item to the City Council.

2. Information Report on Current Policies Related to Tear Gas, Smoke, and Pepper Spray

From: City Manager

Contact: Jennifer Louis, Police, (510) 981-5900

Action: 5 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

Unscheduled Items

These items are not scheduled for discussion or action at this meeting. The Committee may schedule these items to the Action Calendar of a future Committee meeting.

- 3. Adopt an Ordinance Adding Chapter 13.09 to the Berkeley Municipal Code Prohibiting Discriminatory Reports to Law Enforcement**
From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor)
Referred: June 14, 2021
Due: September 30, 2022
Recommendation: 1. Adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 13.09 to the Berkeley Municipal Code Prohibiting Discriminatory Reports to Law Enforcement.
2. Refer to the City Manager to report to Council within six months with anonymized data and information regarding discriminatory reports to law enforcement.
Financial Implications: Staff time
Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Councilmember Harrison requested that this item's due date be extended to October 31, 2022. It will remain on "Unscheduled" for the July Public Safety Committee meeting.

Items for Future Agendas

- Discussion of items to be added to future agendas

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Kesarwani/Wengraf) to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of Public Safety Policy Committee meeting held on June 6, 2022.

April Richardson, Assistant City Clerk

Communications

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