

Disaster & Fire Safety Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday January 27, 2021

Present: Ruth Grimes, Gradiva Couzin, Jose Luis Bedolla, Paul Degenkolb, Robert Flasher, Toby Simmons, Toni Stein, Shirley Dean, Weldon Bradstreet

Absent:

Staff: Keith May, Khin Chin, David Brannigan, David Sprague, Valentina Edwards, Peter Hong, Matt George, Abraham Roman

Public: 9 Attendees

**Preliminary Matters**

Call to Order

G. Couzin called meeting to order at 7:01pm

Approval of the Agenda

Move Item 4 to Item 6, and Item 6 to Item 4.

Approved by Acclimation

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Kelly Hammergren said that she was interested in the commission's future further discussion City's Evacuation Plan.

David Peattie said he was speaking on behalf of Berkeley Mutual Aid and would urge the Commission to invite a representative of Berkeley Mutual Aid to speak at the commission to discuss how to make disaster preparedness and response more community based.

Margit Roos-Collins commented on research showing that embers sucked in through inadequately screened vents in houses are a leading cause of wildland fire spread and the importance of addressing this in the Measure FF expenditures.

Fire Department Staff Report

Grizzly Peak Interagency group has recently met and the agency representatives agreed upon the MOU between The City of Oakland and the UCB PD, Berkeley PD, East Bay Regional Park District PD, Moraga-Orinda PD. The MOU has been sent to all of these agencies to go through their respective City process for approval.

The group also recognizes that the actions of this group have only been a short-term fix. Going forward, the group will be looking at a more permanent solution.

### **Consent Items**

1. Approval of Draft Minutes of Meeting of December 2, 2020\*

Motion to approve as submitted: Flasher

Second: Couzin

Vote: 7 Ayes: Couzin, Flasher, Stein, Degenkolb, Grimes, Bedolla, Simmons; 0 Noes; 0 Absent: 2 Abstain: Dean, Bradstreet

2. Approval of Draft Minutes of Meeting of December 14, 2020\*

Motion to approve as submitted: Couzin

Second: Flasher

Vote: 6 Ayes: Couzin, Flasher, Stein, Bedolla, Dean, Bradstreet; 0 Noes; 0 Absent: 3; Abstain: Grimes, Degenkolb, Simmons,

### **Action Items**

### **Discussion Items**

3. Commission Annual Workplan
4. Measure FF Budget Priorities (presentation from staff)
5. Staff Presentation on Prioritized Dispatch for Re-Imagining Public Safety
6. Forming a Working Group: ADU, Parking Ordinances, Safe Passages
7. Future Agenda Items

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn: Couzin

Second: Flasher

Vote: 9 Ayes: Couzin, Dean, Flasher, Stein, Degenkolb, Grimes, Bradstreet, Bedolla, Simmons; 0 Noes; 0 Absent: 0 Abstain.

Adjourned at 9:38p