



Commission on Labor

Approved 1/15/03

COMMISSION ON LABOR
Minutes

Wednesday, December 18, 2002
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Berkeley WorkSource
1950 Addison Street, Suite 105
(Between Milvia & MLK)
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1. Roll call

Meeting called to order @ 6:40 pm

Present: W. Alfsen; P. Gee; S. Hicks-Kilday; R. Kilday-Hicks; H. Miller

Absent: none

Staff: Rene Perez for Delfina Geiken

2. Public comments

None

3. Approval of November 20 minutes

Motion to accept minutes

M/S/C Gee; Kilday -Hicks

Absent: none

Abstention: H. Miller (not present @ November meeting)

4. Old Business

a. Day Laborers – Information and Action

R. Perez reported on his visit to the area, observed that the situation had greatly improved. Laborers were standing in the white zones and cooperating with staff from the Multicultural Institute. Police were present and merchants were pleased overall with the changes. No action at this time.

b. Public Works training – Information and Action

R. Perez reported the program moving along at a positive pace. The issue of future funding may impact future of program. The Commission supports a second year of funding and will review the report compiled after the completion of the program. No action at this time.

c. Claremont Hotel – Information and Action

P. Gee reported the students of UC Berkeley are supporting the boycott. The Cal Athletic Association has been asked not to utilize the hotel's services. No action at this time.

d. UC Berkeley – Information and Action

No new information, no action at this time.

e. Early Childhood Education Commission - Information and Action

S. Hicks-Kilday reported on 2 programs currently receiving City funds. The agencies are applying for funds for the next 2-year cycle. The commission supports continued funding and will continue discussion on this subject. No action at this time.

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f. Gerson-Baker – Information and Action

The Commission wishes to support the existing union @ 1947 Center street after the City purchases the building. R. Perez reported that Local 790 might oppose a non-city union contractor performing the janitorial services at that location. Local 790 may present to the commission in 2003. No action at this time.

g. Work Plan – Information and Action

Commissioner will form subcommittees in order to achieve the goals of the plan. P. Gee and H. Miller will work on a website which may be linked to the City's site. No action at this time

h. Skates-by-the-Bay/Restaurants Unlimited, Inc - Information

W. Alfsen reported on current actions between the City and RUI. Litigation continues. No action at this time.

5. New Business

a. Develop Commission meeting dates for 2003 – Information and Action

Motion to accept Commission schedule for 2003.

M/S/C Gee; Miller

Passed unanimously

b. Council rules of procedure (Peace & Justice Commission)- Information and Action

No action at this time.

c. Budget process – Information and action

Alfsen and Kilday-Hicks attended the City Manager's budget workshop. Alfsen reported on the workshop. Budget cuts and fiscal impact on the City were presented at workshop. Commission wished to support funding the public works training and continuation of First Source/WorkSource programs.

There will be an additional budget workshop in January.

No action at this time.

6. Develop Agenda for January meeting

Carryover all old business

Add Labor Bill of Rights

Motion to adjourn @ 8:15 pm

M/S/C Alfsen; Hicks-Kilday

Passed unanimously

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