

# **BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA & RULES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023**

**2:30 P.M.**

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Sophie Hahn and Susan Wengraf  
Alternate: Councilmember Ben Bartlett

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**Roll Call:** 2:33 p.m. All present.

**Public Comment** – 2 speakers

## Review of Agendas

**1. Approval of Minutes: February 14, 2023**

**Action:** M/S/C (Wengraf/Arreguin) to approve the minutes of 2/14/23.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**2. Review and Approve Draft Agenda:**

a. 3/14/23 – 6:00 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting

**Action:** M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to approve the agenda of 3/14/23 with the changes noted below.

- *Item 10 Oppose Initiative #1935 (Arreguin) – Councilmembers Hahn, Harrison, and Wengraf added as co-sponsors*
- *Item 11 Support SB 50 (Arreguin) – Councilmember Hahn added as a co-sponsor*
- *Item 12 Support SB 252 (Arreguin) – Councilmembers Hahn, Harrison, and Wengraf added as co-sponsors*
- *Item 13 Street Maintenance (Kesarwani) – Referred to FITES Committee*
- *Item 14 Vision 2050 (Taplin) – Councilmembers Harrison and Robinson added as co-sponsors*
- *Item 15 Unionization (Taplin) – Councilmember Robinson added as a co-sponsor*
- *Item 16 Support SB 58 (Taplin) – Councilmember Robinson added as a co-sponsor*
- *Item 17 Support SB 466 (Robinson) – Councilmembers Hahn and Harrison added as co-sponsors*
- *Item 18 Support HR 852 (Robinson) – Councilmember Hahn added as a co-sponsor*
- *Item 23 Economic Dashboards (City Manager) – Moved to Action Calendar*

Order of Action Items

Item 19 Ambulance Fees

Item 20 BERA Amendments

Item 21 Climate Action

Item 23 Economic Dashboards

Item 22 BE RIPE Initiative

**Vote:** Ayes – Wengraf, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent - Hahn.

**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

**8a. Discussion Regarding Impact of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) on Meetings of Legislative Bodies**

**8b. Analysis of Return to In-Person Meetings of City Legislative Bodies**

**Action:** 2 speakers. Discussion held.

**9. Discussion of Potential Changes and Enhancements to the City Council Legislative Process**

**Action:** 1 speaker. Brief discussion held.

## Unscheduled Items

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

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

## Items for Future Agendas

- None

## Adjournment

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

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Agenda & Rules Committee meeting held on February 27, 2023.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## Communications

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