

BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA & RULES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

2:00 P.M.

2180 Milvia Street, 6th Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704 – Redwood Room

1404 Le Roy Ave, Berkeley, CA 94708 – Teleconference Location

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Sophie Hahn and Susan Wengraf

Alternate: Councilmember Ben Bartlett

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AGENDA

Roll Call: 2:04 p.m. All present.

Public Comment – 3 speakers

Review of Agendas

1. Approval of Minutes: April 24, 2023

Action: M/S/C (Wengraf/Hahn) to approve the minutes of 4/24/23.

Vote: All Ayes.

2. Review and Approve Draft Agenda:

a. 5/23/23 – 6:00 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Hahn) to refer Item 44 Freeway Lid to the Transportation and Infrastructure Commission and the Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Commission.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to approve the agenda of 5/23/23 revised to include the changes noted below.

- *Item Added: Berkeley Rotary Event (Harrison)*
- *Item Added: Pacific Center Event (Robinson)*
- *Item Added: Housing Element Budget Referral (Hahn)*
- *Item 16 Wildfire Protection Plan (City Manager) – moved to May 16 special meeting*
- *Item 32 Support HR603 (Wengraf) – Councilmember Hahn added as a co-sponsor*
- *Item 38 ZAB Appeal (City Manager) – moved to first public hearing*
- *Item 40 Commission Recommendation – moved to Consent Calendar*
- *Item 41 Car Thefts (Arreguin) – moved to Consent Calendar*
- *Item 42 Auditing Contract (City Manager) – moved to Consent Calendar*
- *Item 43 Cannabis Taxes (Bartlett) – moved to May 23 Action Calendar*
- *Item 44 Freeway Lid (Robinson) – referred to Transportation and Infrastructure Commission and the Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Commission*

Vote: All Ayes.

3. Selection of Item for the Berkeley Considers Online Engagement Portal

- None Selected

4. Adjournments In Memory – None

Scheduling

5. Council Worksessions Schedule

- Wildfire Protection Plan scheduled for May 16

Scheduling

6. Council Referrals to Agenda Committee for Scheduling

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to schedule the Unfunded Liabilities Item to a special meeting on May 23 at 4:00pm.

Vote: All Ayes.

7. Land Use Calendar – received and filed

Unscheduled Items

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

9. Discussion of Potential Changes and Enhancements to the City Council Legislative Process including the concepts referred by Council at the March 14, 2023 meeting

10. Modifications or Improvements to City Council Meeting Procedures (referred by Council at the March 14, 2023 meeting)

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

12. 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/Wengraf) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Agenda & Rules Committee meeting held on May 8, 2023.

Mark Numainville, City Clerk

Communications

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