

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 11, 2021
10:00 AM**

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Kate Harrison and Lori Droste
Alternate: Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani

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AGENDA

Roll Call: 10:01 a.m.

Present: Droste, Arreguin

Absent: Harrison

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters – 0 speakers

Councilmember Harrison present at 10:04 a.m.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - February 25, 2021

Action: M/S/C (Harrison/Droste) to approve the minutes of February 25, 2021.

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.

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. FY 2022 Budget Update

From: City Manager

Contact: Rama Murty, Budget Office, (510) 981-7000

Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

3. Unfunded Liability Obligations, Unfunded Infrastructure Needs and FY 2021 Mid-Year Report

From: City Manager

Contact: Rama Murty, Budget Office, (510) 981-7000

Action: 3 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

Committee Action Items

4. **Parks, Recreation & Waterfront and Public Works Capital Improvement Plan**
From: City Manager

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981- 6700, Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Action: 5 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

5. **Potential Measure P FY2022 Allocations**

From: Councilmember Droste (Author)

Referred: January 25, 2021

Due: June 14, 2021

Recommendation: Refer the Measure P funding discussion to the City Manager, Measure P Homeless Panel of Experts, and the Health and Life Enrichment policy committee to determine next steps to ensure that the Measure P fund stays solvent. Specifically, these bodies should prioritize preferred programs and services within the various categories that the Measure P panel previously outlined according to updated projected revenues. During the course of these deliberations, the Panel of Experts should hear presentations from staff on which homeless services (e.g. permanent supportive housing exits, shelters, emergency interventions, multi-departmental staffing, and supportive services) are funded outside of Measure P so that the bodies can make recommendations after understanding the entirety of services and programs.

To the extent possible, the committees and commissions should attempt to find a non-volatile source of funding for permanent supportive housing, using the 1,000 person plan as a framework for best addressing the homelessness crisis on our streets.

The Panel of Experts and Health and Life Enrichment policy committee should finalize their priorities in time for the budget committee's consideration in June of 2021.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Lori Droste, Councilmember, District 8, (510) 981-7180

Item continued to next meeting on March 25, 2021.

6. **Disposition of Referrals, Projects and Audits**

From: City Manager

Contact: Melissa McDonough, City Manager's Office, (510) 981-7000

Action: 1 speaker. Presentation made and discussion held. This item will be moved to "Unscheduled" for discussion at a later meeting.

Councilmember Harrison absent 12:30 – 12:39 p.m.

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.

- 7. Housing Trust Fund Resources**
From: City Manager
Contact: Lisa Warhuus, Housing and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
- 8. Cash v. Accrual Basis Accounting**
From: City Manager
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300
- 9. Review of Council's Fiscal Policies**
From: City Manager
Contact: Rama Murty, Budget Office, (510) 981-7000

Items for Future Agendas

- **Discussion of items to be added to future agendas**

Adjournment

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

Vote: Ayes – Droste, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Harrison.

Adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on March 11, 2021.

April Richardson, Assistant City Clerk

Communications

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