



Peace and Justice
Commission

**Peace and Justice Commission Meeting
Regular Meeting – February 3rd, 2020
Berkeley City Hall, 2180 Milvia, Berkeley, CA, Cypress Room**

MINUTES (FINAL)

The meeting convened at 7:03 pm with Chair Tregub presiding.

1. Roll Call

Present: al-Bazian, Gussmann, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub

Absent: Askary, Bohn, Lippman, Maran

Excused: None

Leave of Absence: None

Commissioner Bohn arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Commissioner Maran arrived at 7:15 p.m.

2. Announcements

3. Comments from the Public

Public Attendance: 1

Public Comments: 0

4. Review and approval of meeting minutes

Peace and Justice Commission approved minutes from 11/4/19 and 1/6/20 (with one correction on the 1/6/20 minutes, item #7):

M/S/C: Morizawa, Gussmann

Ayes: al-Bazian, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub

Noes: None

Abstain: Pancoast (did not attend 1/6/20 meeting)

Absent: Askary, Bohn (arrived later), Lippman, Maran (arrived later)

Excused: None

5. Commission Updates & Chairperson's Report (No Action Taken)

6. **Secretary's Report (No Action Taken)**

7. **Approve the Calendar Year 2020 Peace and Justice Commission Meeting Schedule** – Re-agendized from 1/6/20 meeting

Adopt Peace and Justice Commission adopted 2020 meeting schedule as proposed.

M/S/C: Maran, Pierce

Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Askary, Lippman

Excused: None

8. **Proposal to co-convene a policy conference with other human needs commissions, CBO's, academic partners, and, as appropriate, City staff and leaders in the Spring or Fall of 2020** – Re-agendized from 1/6/20 meeting

Adopt proposed PJC Project (as described in attachment 5 of the January 6, 2020 PJC Meeting Agenda with amendments) to develop a framework for a social justice approach to human needs in Berkeley.

M/S/C: Maran, Gussmann

Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Askary, Lippman

Excused: None

9. **Proposal to sponsor an educational forum regarding the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and host a rally in support of ending the research and development of nuclear weapons at Livermore National Weapons Lab and all other locations** – Re-agendized from 1/6/20 meeting

Approve, pending City Council approval, proposal to co-sponsor an educational rally on July 16th, 2020, in recognition of the 75th anniversary of U.S. atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6th and 9th, 1945.

M/S/C: Meola, Morizawa

Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez

Noes: None
Abstain: Tregub (recusal)*
Absent: Askary, Lippman
Excused: None

*Commissioner Tregub recused himself from the vote because he is an employee of the U.S. Department of Energy

10. Discuss and approve process for electing Chair and Vice Chair of the Peace and Justice Commission

Approve the following process for elections of PJC Officers: (1) open nominations; (2) nominate individuals; (3) nominated individuals accept/decline; (4) close nominations; (5) each candidate given up to 2 minutes to describe qualifications and interests; (6) Q & A; (7) roll call majority voting to select candidates.

M/S/C: Meola, Morizawa
Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Askary, Lippman
Excused: None

Appoint Bob Meola to temporarily chair the elections process.

M/S/C: Meola, Morizawa
Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Askary, Lippman
Excused: None

11. Election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Peace and Justice Commission

Discussion held.

Motion to continue election of chair and vice chair until the March 2020 PJC meeting.

M/S/C: Tregub, Bohn
Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussmann, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce, Rodriguez, Tregub
Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Askary, Lippman

Excused: None

12. Discussion and possible action on potential Council proposal to modify role of commissions (No Action Taken)
13. Discussion following up on City Council's consideration at 1/21/20 Council meeting of PJC's recommendation to adopt a resolution in opposition of the new U.S. base construction in Henoko-Oura Bay of Okinawa (No Action Taken)
14. Subcommittee on Socially Responsible Investments and Procurement discussion of interim document (No Action Taken)
15. BUSD subcommittee discussion and potential appointments (No Action Taken)
- 16 - 18. Communications (No Action Taken)
19. Background Information (No Action Taken)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nina Goldman, Interim Secretary
Peace and Justice Commission