

**ANNOTATED AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Thursday, July 30, 2020**

**4:00 P.M.**

JESSE ARREGUIN, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI  
DISTRICT 2 – CHERYL DAVILA  
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT  
DISTRICT 4 – KATE HARRISON

DISTRICT 5 – SOPHIE HAHN  
DISTRICT 6 – SUSAN WENGRAF  
DISTRICT 7 – RIGEL ROBINSON  
DISTRICT 8 – LORI DROSTE

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 4:08 p.m.

**Present:** Kesarwani, Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Droste, Arreguin

**Absent:** Bartlett

## Action Calendar

### 1. **Placing a Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Amend Various Sections of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (Chapter 13.76)**

**From:** Mayor Arreguin (Author)

**Recommendation:**

1. Adopt a Resolution to submit to the voters proposed amendments to the Rent Stabilization and Eviction for Good Cause Ordinance at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election. The amendments would amend various sections of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance to:

a) Prohibit eviction of qualifying tenants for nonpayment of rent during state or local emergencies;

b) Authorize the Rent Stabilization Board to set registration fees for partially exempt units;

c) Limit the Accessory Dwelling Unit exemption to owner-occupied properties with a single-family home and one accessory unit.

2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, (510) 981-7100

**Action:** M/S/C (Arreguin/Robinson) to include the severed portion regarding Registration as amended.

**Vote:** Ayes – Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Robinson, Arreguin; Noes – Kesarwani, Wengraf, Droste; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett (Recused – property interest).

**Action:** M/S/C (Arreguin/Robinson) to include the severed portion regarding Eviction Protections.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Droste, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett (Recused – property interest).

**Action:** M/S/C (Arreguin/Robinson) to include the severed portion regarding ADUs.

**Vote:** Ayes – Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Robinson, Arreguin; Noes – Kesarwani, Wengraf, Droste; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett (Recused – property interest).

## Action Calendar

**Action:** 34 speakers. M/S/C (Arreguin/Robinson) to:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 69,534–N.S. to place the measure on the ballot with amended language in the ballot measure text in Section 13.76.050.O. with corresponding changes in Sections 13.76.080.A. and 13.76.080.L. regarding exemption from the registration requirement for certain property owners.
2. Designated Mayor Arreguin and Councilmembers Harrison and Robinson to submit ballot arguments on behalf of the City Council.

**Vote:** Ayes – Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Arreguin; Noes – Kesarwani, Droste; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett (Recused – property interest).

Recess: 7:31 p.m. – 7:42 p.m.

## Adjournment

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

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Davila, Harrison, Hahn, Wengraf, Robinson, Droste, Arreguin; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett (Recused – property interest).

Adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

## Communications

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 3

**Item #1: Placing a Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Amend Various Sections of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (Chapter 13.76)**

1. Judy Bebelaar
2. Sara Hartley
3. Barbara Schick
4. Andrew Marowitz (3)
5. Damian Park
6. Peter Selawsky
7. John Parman
8. Steven Svoboda
9. Larisa Sidorova
10. Thomas Lord

11. Rick Maisel
12. Christine Schwartz
13. Berkeley Landlords
14. Toni Mester
15. Judi
16. Greg San Martin
17. Lance and Krystyna Montauk
18. Mark DuBois
19. Michael Farrell
20. Andrea Mullarkey
21. Chimey Lee
22. LR Altman
23. Jim Lutz (2)
24. Barbara Gilbert
25. Carolina Santizo
26. Jeane Clinton
27. Susann Payne